

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

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Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
Columbus, Ohio 43211

1. No. 10

2. County Summit

3. Location of Negatives OHS

4. Present Name(s)
Lock No. 32

5. Other Name(s)

6. Specific Location
on unmarked, unimproved road (formerly canal towpath) approx 800 ft. north of Boston Mills Rd.

7. City or Town Boston

16. Thematic Category
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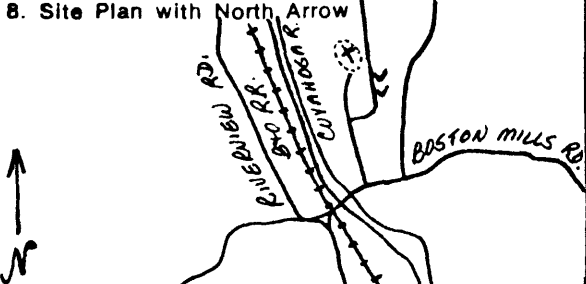
17. Date(s) or Period
1825-1827

18. Style or Design

28. No. of Stories

29. Basement? Yes No

30. Foundation Material



19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent
canal lock

22. Present Use
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31. Wall Construction
load-bearing masonry

32. Roof Type & Material

33. No. of Bays
Front Side

34. Wall Treatment
cut stone/concrete

35. Plan Shape rectangle

9. Coordinates

Lat. _____ Long. _____

U.T.M. Reference

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23. Ownership Public Private

24. Owner's Name & Address,
State of O., Dept. of Public Works

65 S. Front St., Columbus

36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Altered Moved

37. Condition
XXXXX
Exterior fair

10. Site Building Structure Object

11. On National Register? Yes No

12. Is It Eligible? Yes No

13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes No

14. District Potent'l? Yes No

25. Open to Public? Yes No
unrestricted

26. Local Contact Person or Organization
Summit County Hist. Soc.

27. Other Surveys in Which Included
included in "Ohio & Erie Canal historic civil engineering landmark, Ohio Council ASC"

38. Preservation Underway? Yes No

39. Endangered? By What? Yes No

40. Visible from Public Road? Yes No

15. Name of Established District

Approx. Acreage: less than 1

42. Further Description of Important Features
Lock is standard mitered gate type. The lock chamber is 90 feet long by 15 feet wide. The cut stone construction was covered with a facing of concrete c. 1905. Both gates are missing. There is water in the lock chamber. Lock is much overgrown with thickets, thus preventing a better photograph.



43. History and Significance
That portion of the Ohio & Erie Canal between Akron and Cleveland was opened July 4, 1827. For 30 years this waterway was a great controlling factor of increasing commerce, manufactures and population in Ohio, and no doubt played an important role in the growth of the Village of Boston, in which Lock 32 is located.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings
At the northern edge of the Village of Boston. The Boston cemetery lies to the west.

45. Sources of Information
Frank Wilcox, The Ohio Canals, selec. and ed. William A. McGill (Kent, O.: Kent State University Press, 1969).

46. Prepared by
Carol Poh Miller

47. Organization

48. Date
4/76

49. Revision Date(s)

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Summit
Lock No. 32