

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Chesapeake City Bridge Survey Number: CE-1536  
Project: DOE of Chesapeake & Delaware Canal Agency: COE (Phila district)  
Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Eligibility recommended  Eligibility not recommended   
Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)  
In evaluating the C&D canal, the COE's consultant (CHRS) took a cursory look at the bridges which cross the canal. The Chesapeake City Bridge carries Rt. 213 over the canal. The original bridge, c.1927 was a vertical lift bridge. It was severely damaged in 1942 by a ship. The replacement bridge, completed in 1948, is the current single span tied arch bridge, designed by Parsons Brinckerhoff and Douglas. Since the bridge is not fifty years old and does not appear to possess exceptional significance, the Trust concurred that the bridge is not eligible. However, we did caution the COE that the bridge will most likely need to be re-evaluated in 1998 when it reaches the 50 year mark. However, I believe that the bridge is owned by SHA.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: DOE Report: Chesapeake & Delaware Canal (1994)

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable  
R. Kudman 9-27-94  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (  prehistoric  historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: structure

Historic Environment: village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): bridge

Known Design Source: Parsons, Brinckerhoff and Douglas

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Chesapeake City Bridge  
MD 213 over Chesapeake & Delaware Canal, Chesapeake City  
Elkton Quad  
Cecil County

