

# 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 If Rural, Township & Vicinity

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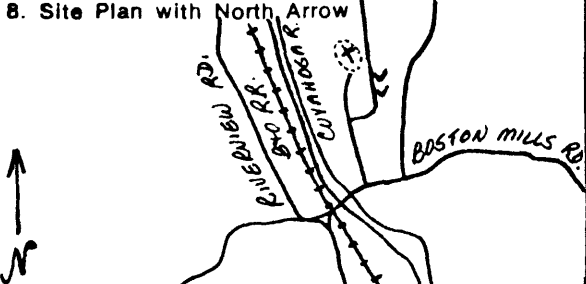
17. Date(s) or Period  
1825-1827

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



# *Thematic Resources*

Lock No. 32, Ohio and Erie Canal  
District, Cuyahoga and Summit  
Counties, Ohio

Photograph by Carol Poh Miller, April  
1976

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View looking south.

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