

# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

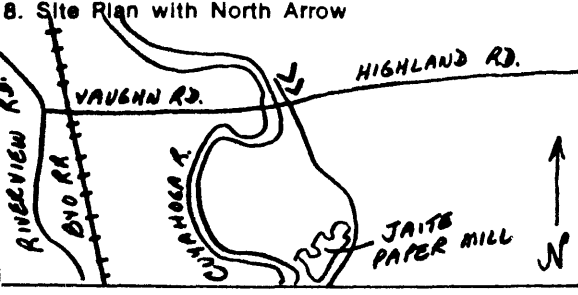
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Ohio Historic Preservation Office  
Ohio Historical Center  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

1. No. <b>8</b>	4. Present Name(s) <b>Lock No. 34 ("Red Lock")</b>
2. County <b>Summit</b>	5. Other Name(s)
3. Location of Negatives <b>OHS</b>	

6. Specific Location  
**north side of Highland Rd. just east of the Cuyahoga river**

7. City or Town **Magamore Hills** If Rural, Township & Vicinity



9. Coordinates

Lat. \_\_\_\_\_ Long. \_\_\_\_\_

U.T.M. Reference

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Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_

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

15. Name of Established District

16. Thematic Category  
**F, H, I**

17. Date(s) or Period  
**1825-1827**

18. Style or Design

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent  
**canal lock**

22. Present Use  
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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**

25. Open to Public? Yes  No   
**unrestricted**

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

27. Other Surveys in Which Included  
**historic civil engineering landmark, Ohio Council ASCE**

Approx. Acreage: less than 1

28. No. of Stories

29. Basement? Yes  No

30. Foundation Material

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**

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

37. Condition **fair**  
~~interior~~  
~~exterior~~

38. Preservation Underway? Yes  No

39. Endangered? By What? Yes  No

40. Visible from Public Road? Yes  No

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road

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 repaired with concrete c. 1905. Both gates are missing. There is water in the lock chamber, though the canal is dry at this point. The lock is almost obscured by thickets. Stonework and concrete are deteriorated.



43. History and Significance  
That portion of the Ohio & Erie Canal between Akron and Cleveland was opened July 4, 1827. The drop of 395 feet between the two cities was accomplished by 41 locks in 35 miles. At least one local history gives the name "Red Lock" or Lock No. 34, but it does not suggest the origin of that name. Wilcox has written that all woodwork of the locks and sluices was painted Indian red.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings  
Located off rural road in the vicinity of the Jaite Paper Mill. The lock and surrounding land has become a dumping ground.

45. Sources of Information  
**The Brecksville Historical Association, A Reminiscent History of Brecksville (Berea, O.: Berea Publishing Company, 1961), p. 22.**  
**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)

Summit County, Ohio  
Lock No. 34 ("Red Lock")



# Thematic Resources

Lock No. 34 ("Red Lock"), Ohio and  
Erie Canal District, Cuyahoga  
and Summit Counties, Ohio

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View looking north.

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