OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. 10

2. County Summit

3. Location of Negatives OH

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

8. Site Plan with North Arrow


10. Site No. Structure Object

11. On National Register? Yes No

12. Is It Eligible? Yes No

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

14. District 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

23. Ownership

24. Owner's Name & Address, Starke of O., Dept. of Public Works 65 S. Front St., Columbus

25. Open to Public Unrestricted Yes No

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"

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

34. Wall Treatment cut stone/concrete

35. Plan Shape rectangle

36. Changes

37. Condition

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 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


46. Prepared by Carol Poh Miller

47. Organization

48. Date 4/76

49. Revision Date(s)