

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

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## 1. Name of Property

Historic name: Smith Bridge Additional Documentation (Removal)

Other names/site number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing:  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

## 2. Location

Street & number: Lowery Road at Junction with Foxcroft road

City or town: Houlton State: Maine County: Aroostook

Not For Publication: n/a Vicinity: n/a

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination \_\_\_\_\_ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets  does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

national       statewide       local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

A       B       C       D

		<u>10/28/13</u>
Signature of certifying official/Title: <u>SHPO-ME.</u>		Date
<b>MAINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION</b>		
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government		

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official:	Date
Title	State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

**SMITH BRIDGE ADDITIONAL  
DOCUMENTATION (REMOVAL)**

**AROOSTOOK COUNTY, MAINE**

Name of Property

County and State

**4. National Park Service Certification**

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)

Entered in  
**REMOVED**  
The National Register  
from  
National Register  
Historic Places

other (explain:)

*Edson H. Beall*  
Signature of the Keeper

*12.18.13*  
Date of Action

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

**Category of Property**

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

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**8. Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph**

(Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.) (Refer to photographs)

The Smith Bridge (NR: 92000202) in Houlton, Maine was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on April 2, 1993 in recognition of its significance in the area of transportation under Criterion C. Built in 1910, the two-span, Warren pony truss structure with riveted connections was the second oldest and longest known bridge of its type extant in Maine in 1992. The bridge carried a single lane road over the Meduxnekeag River in a rural section of Houlton, north of the city itself. By 1983, however, the bridge had deteriorated to the point that it had to be closed to vehicular traffic. Ten years later the bridge was documented by the Historic American Engineering Report (HAER No. ME-8), as per a Memorandum of Agreement between the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Maine State Historic Preservation Office. Subsequently, the bridge was dismantled in 1993 and a new steel and concrete girder bridge constructed in its place in 1994 (see photographs, attached). This additional documentation is submitted in order to remove the Smith Bridge from the National Register as per 36 CFR 60.15 (a)(1) because "the property has ceased to meet the criteria for listing in the National Register because the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been lost or destroyed...". Figures 1 and 2 are photographs taken by the Maine Department of Transportation in 2010 show the bridge site with the replacement Smith (Lowery Road) Bridge constructed in 1994.

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**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

N/A

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**Developmental history/additional historic context information** (If appropriate.)

N/A

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography** (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Maine Department of Transportation, Public Bridge Inventory.  
<http://www.maine.gov/mdot/publicbridges/documents/Houlton.pdf>. (Page 15). Accessed  
10/15/2013.

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # HAER ME,5-BUCK.V,1
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):** \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Form Prepared By**

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**Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

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Figure 1:

<http://www.maine.gov/mdot/publicbridges/documents/Houlton.pdf>



Facing east



West abutment



Pier column



Steel columns rusting @ water line

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Houlton

Smith (Lowery Road)

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Figure 2:

<http://www.maine.gov/mdot/publicbridges/documents/Houlton.pdf>



Northwest abutment. Note rust staining from beams.



Southeast abutment.



View looking downstream.

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Smith (Lowery Road) Bridge

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