

Library Branch MP 4.5 44' Deck Plate Girder Timber Deck

Trail MP 38.3 Over Piney Fork Creek east of Triphammer Road

Built by Pennsylvania Railroad ca. 1905 Removed November, 2008

Replaced by steel truss bridge in 2010

The original railroad bridge in 2008, prior to its removal. Much of its deck was stripped off by Hurricane Ivan in 2004. This view is looking north toward Piney Fork Road.



2008 photos David Oyler

These views look east across the bridge in 2008.



These April 1975 views look west over the bridge, toward the cut with the Triphammer Road overhead bridge. The railroad was officially abandoned in 1979. In 1987, the roadway bridge was removed and the cut was filled in.



Gene P. Schaeffer photos

This view from a similar location shows the change in topography, with the Triphammer cut filled in and the new Trail ramp under construction to bring the Trail down to the new bridge, which was installed in 2010. The new bridge is approx 100 ft to the south of the original bridge's location. Note location of house in upper left corner of all three pictures. Construction equipment sits at the site of the former Triphammer Road overhead bridge.



2011-2012 photos Bryan Seip

The 115 foot Trail bridge awaits completion of the Trail ramp down to the bridge site.

This view is from Triphammer Road.



This view from the east side of creek.

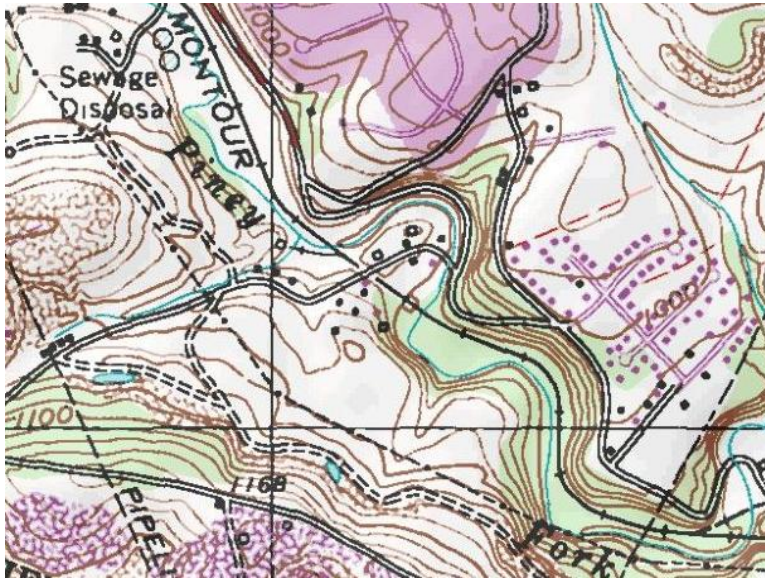


Satellite view shows bridge below center, over Piney Fork Creek. Piney Fork Road curves from top right to center right, with Triphammer Road from center left to upper right intersection. The railroad ran through a cut at Triphammer Road to left of center. This 2011 view shows the bridge awaiting trail construction.



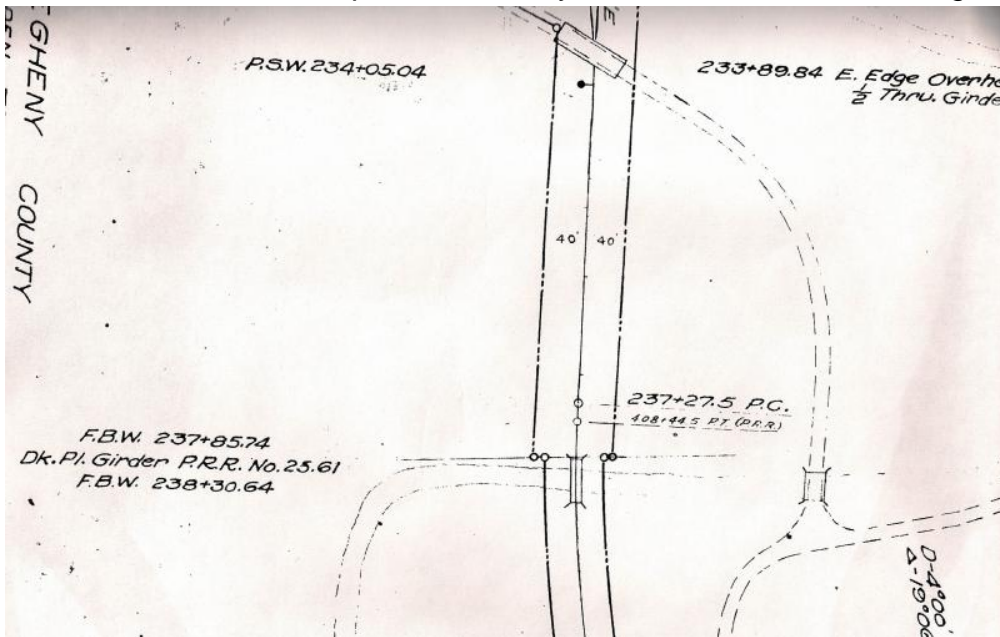
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Topo map shows bridge site at center, over Piney Fork Creek, east of cut through hillside. Piney Fork Road runs top left to lower right. Triphammer Road runs from left center to intersection at center.



Courtesy Bob Ciminel / USGS

Valuation plan shows bridge at bottom center, over Piney Fork Creek. Note bridge listed as P.R.R. No. 25.61, built as part of the Pennsylvania Railroad Peters Creek Branch. Triphammer Road runs top center to lower right intersection, with road bridge over railroad shown at top center. Piney Fork Road runs in lower right corner.



Courtesy Greg Corcoran