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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Gholson Bridge

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 715 over the Meherrin River

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Lawrenceville

VICINITY OF

Fifth (W. C. Daniel)

STATE

Virginia

CODE

51

COUNTY

Brunswick

CODE

025

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation

STREET & NUMBER

1221 East Broad Street

CITY, TOWN

Richmond

VICINITY OF

STATE

Virginia

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

V.D.H.&T. (Structure No. 6104)

STREET & NUMBER

1221 East Broad Street

CITY, TOWN

Richmond

STATE

Virginia

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Richmond Construction District
V.D.H.&T. Metal Truss Bridges in Virginia (1865-1932)

DATE

June 1976 (VHTRC 76-R63)

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR

SURVEY RECORDS V.H.&T. Research Council

CITY, TOWN

Charlottesville

STATE

Virginia

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Two span through Pratt truss. Span lengths are 86' and 100' 4". The truss is probably wrought iron consisting of top chords and end posts that are two upright channels connected with cover plates and stay plates. Posts are simple small "I" beams, end panel posts are built up eye beams, bottom chords are loop welded double rectilinear eyebars and diagonals are loop welded double rectilinear eyebars and diagonals are loop welded double rectilinear eyebars and tie rods.

The sandstone substructure is random coursed ashlar masonry piers, abutments and wing walls.

Architectural details include end posts that have decorative cast metal caps with date. Portal strut has pedimented bridge plaque.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1884 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Wrought Iron Bridge Company

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is the oldest multi-span truss inventoried. It is on its original location and there are indications that a previous bridge was located at this crossing. It was built in 1884 by the Wrought Iron Bridge Company. Using the criteria for significance developed by the Research Council (June 1977), this bridge received a rating of 21.0 out of a possible 27.0 points.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- (1) V.D.H.&T. Metal Truss Bridges in Virginia (1865-1932)
Richmond Construction District
- (2) Acts of the Virginia General Assembly 1883-84 p. 9

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

A

1	8
ZONE	EASTING

2	4	7	1	0	0
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B

ZONE	EASTING

ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Limits of Structure

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
None			
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

W. S. G. Britton III

ORGANIZATION

Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

1221 East Broad Street

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Richmond

STATE

Virginia

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE y

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE Tucker Hill, Executive Director

Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

DATE

NOV 15 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

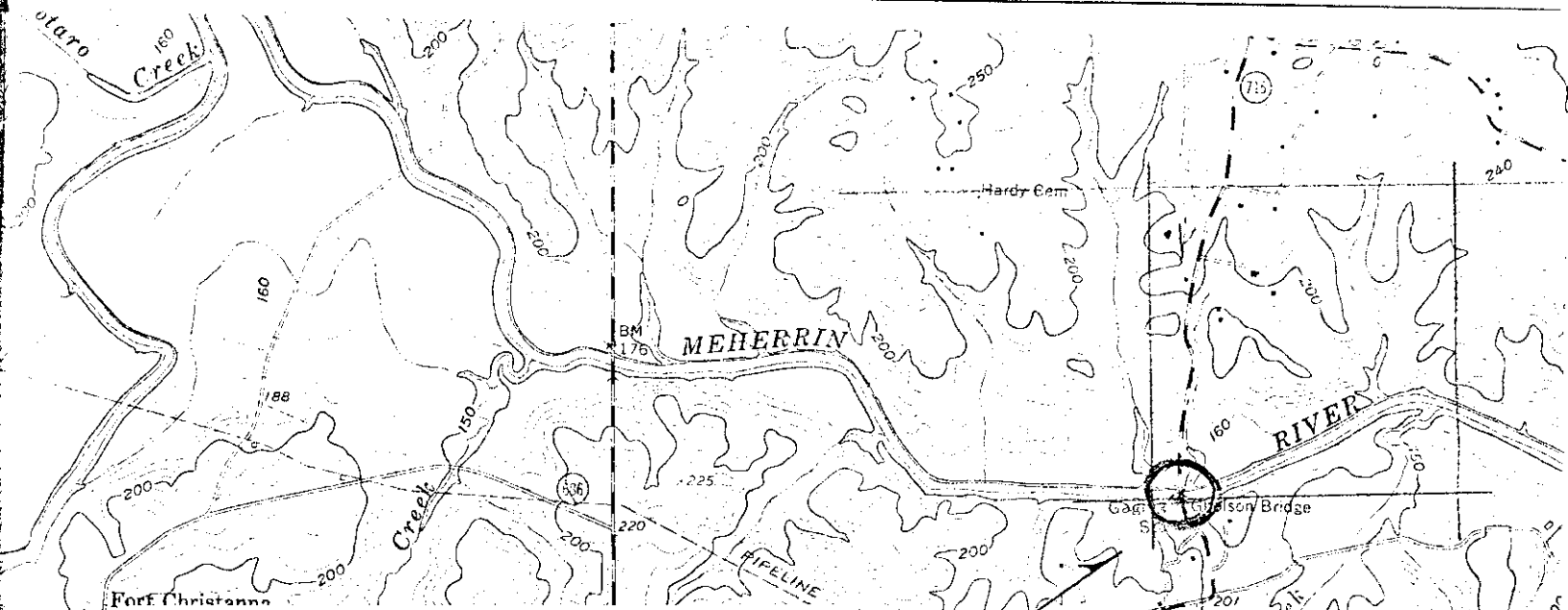
DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



USGS 7.5' quadrangle (Scale: 1:24000)
 Powellton, Va. 1963 (PR 1973)

GHOLSON BRIDGE, BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA
 UTM Reference:

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