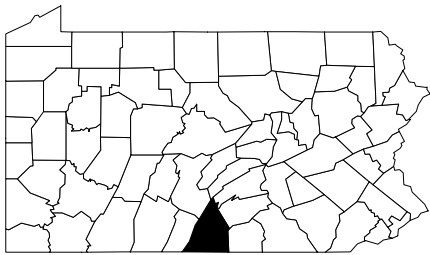


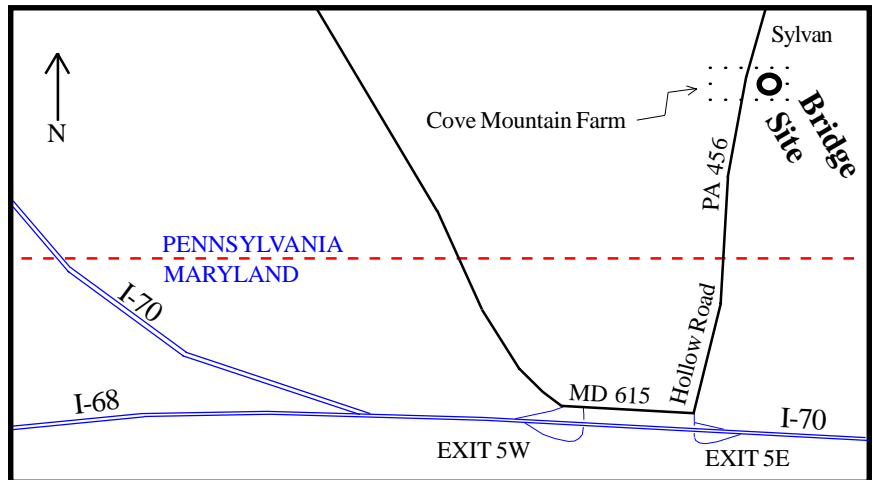
# AMERICAN FARMLAND TRUST TIMBER BRIDGE, Franklin County, Pennsylvania



**Type:** Glued-laminated timber stringers and transverse glued-laminated deck  
**County:** Franklin  
**Owner:** American Farmland Trust  
**Engineer:** Merv Eriksson  
**Spans over:** Little Cove Creek  
**Bridge length:** 40'-0"  
**Bridge width:** 12'-0"

**Directions:** From the east, leave I-70 at Exit 5E. Turn left onto MD 615 go .5 miles to the intersection of MD 615 and Hollow Road. Turn right onto Hollow Road and follow to the Pennsylvania state line. Hollow Road becomes PA 456. From the state line go approximately 3 miles to Cove Mountain Farm. The bridge site is on the right.

From the west, leave I-70 at Exit 5W. Turn right onto MD 615 and go approximately 2 miles to the intersection of MD 615 and Hollow Road. Turn left onto Hollow Road and follow to the Pennsylvania state line. Hollow Road becomes PA 456. From the state line go approximately 3 miles to Cove Mountain Farm. The bridge site is on the right.



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**GEOMETRY**

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| Number of Spans: 1                     | Design load: H-10                             | Total wood quantity: 3980 board feet (bf) |
| Out-to-out length: 40'-0"              | Averaged daily traffic: 200 cows/2 tractors   | Total project cost: \$26,000              |
| Center-of-bearing span lengths: 39'-0" | Design by: Merv Eriksson                      | Total superstructure cost: \$20,000       |
| Skew: 0 degrees                        | Abutment material: Rock filled gabion baskets | Total superstructure cost /sq ft: \$41.67 |
| Number of lanes: 1                     |   |   |
| Out-to-out width: 12'-0"               |   |   |
| Number of beams and spacing: 3 @ 4'    |   |   |
| Superstructure square footage: 480     |   |   |

**MATERIAL****DECK**

Material: Wood  
 Grade: Structural #2  
 Species: Southern pine  
 Panel sizes: 3 1/8" x 4'-0" x 12'-0" (150 bf/panel)  
 Quantity: 10  
 Drying method: Kiln  
 Preservative treatment: Creosote  
 Specification: 12 pounds per cubic feet (pcf)

**BEAMS/STRINGERS**

Material: Wood  
 Grade: Select structural/industrial grade  
 Species: Southern pine/red maple  
 Sizes used: 5 1/8" x 26 1/8" x 40'-0" (446 bf/beam)  
 Quantity: 3  
 Drying method: Kiln  
 Preservative method: Creosote  
 Specification: 12 pcf

**GUIDERAIL POSTS (none)****GUIDERAIL CURB**

Material: Wood  
 Grade: Structural #2  
 Species: Southern pine  
 Size: 6 3/4" x 7 1/2" x 40'-0" (168.75 bf/curb)  
 Quantity: 2  
 Preservative treatment: Creosote  
 Specification: 12 pcf

**GUIDERAIL BLOCKING**

Material: Wood  
 Grade: Structural #2  
 Species: Southern pine  
 Size: 6 3/4" x 10" x 2'-0" (11.25 bf/block)  
 Quantity: 10  
 Preservative treatment: Creosote  
 Specification: 12 pcf

**LOCAL IMPACT:** Improves efficiency of dairy farm, particularly when stream is flooding, allowing cows to cross stream from pasturing fields to milking parlor.

**BRIDGE PERFORMANCE:** The bridge has been in place for one year. It is performing as expected.

**FUNDING SOURCES:** American Farmland Trust

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