



MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD

BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

2010

CLIENTS:

County of Lancaster, PA

REFERENCE:

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SERVICES:

- Developed scope of work and coordinated engineering consultant selection process
- Providing overall project management of Engineering, Environmental Clearance, and Final Design
- Planned and facilitated public involvement procedures
- Coordinating Right of Way acquisition

The Risser Mill Covered Bridge was originally constructed in 1849 and carried Mount Pleasant Road over a small tributary to Little Chickies Creek in Mount Joy Township, Lancaster County.

The bridge was destroyed by an arson in July 2002 leaving only the original stone abutments from the covered bridge. Shortly thereafter, officials from both Mount Joy Township and Rapho Township expressed a desire to see the bridge replaced, and the project was placed on the TIP. After initial discussions with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the Townships, Lancaster County agreed to serve as the Local Lead on the project and guide it through the PennDOT project development process.

The County asked Taggart Associates to lead the effort to replace the bridge. Taggart Associates completed a preliminary feasibility study of various replacement options and the County ultimately decided to advance a project to relocate a small portion of Mount Pleasant Road and construct a new bridge over Little Chickies Creek. Taggart Associates then managed the design process on the County's behalf, from selecting the design team, to coordinating Preliminary Engineering, Environmental Clearance, Final Design, and ROW acquisition. The project was constructed in 2010.



Bridge prior to 2002 arson fire



Bridge after it was destroyed by arson

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