

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Vermont
 COUNTY: Addison
 FOR NPS USE ONLY
 ENTRY DATE: SEP 10 1974

1. NAME

COMMON: Halpin Covered Bridge
 AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Town road across Muddy Branch of New Haven River,
 3.4 miles northeast of Middlebury village NE of Middlebury
 CITY OR TOWN: Middlebury vicinity CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Vt. District
 Rep. Richard Mallary
 STATE: Vermont CODE: 50 COUNTY: Addison CODE: 01

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Town of Middlebury
 STREET AND NUMBER: South Main Street
 CITY OR TOWN: Middlebury STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

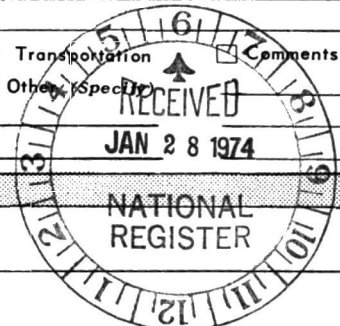
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Office of Town Clerk
 STREET AND NUMBER: South Main Street
 CITY OR TOWN: Middlebury STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Vermont Historic Sites and Structures Survey
 DATE OF SURVEY: 1973 Federal State County Local
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Vermont Division of Historic Sites
 STREET AND NUMBER: Pavilion Building
 CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Halpin Covered Bridge consists of a single span supported by two flanking timber Town lattice trusses. The wood floor is laid with planks perpendicular to the trusses and overlaid with planks parallel to the trusses for the driving surface. The abutments are built of stone slabs laid dry; they have been capped with concrete. The bridge is 66 feet long overall and 16 feet wide, with a 12.5 foot roadway.

On the exterior, the large planks pegged together diagonally to form the trusses (and side walls) of the bridge are sheathed with flush boards hung vertically. There are no windows or openings in the side walls. The gable ends are also sheathed with flush vertical boards. The medium-pitch gable roof is covered with wood shingles.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **not known**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Halpin Covered Bridge, although one of the shorter covered wood bridges in Vermont, is the highest in the state. It crosses a gorge of the Muddy Branch of the New Haven River about 41 feet above the stream. Standing near the end of a rural road, the bridge carries very little traffic and remains essentially unaltered from its original condition.

The covered bridges of Vermont are among its most cherished and symbolic historic resources. About one hundred bridges still stand in the state, the greatest concentration by area of covered bridges in the country.¹ Many of these bridges are integral parts of unique architectural environments whose physical setting and cultural context have been little altered until recently. However, extensive highway construction programs are now drastically changing the historic environment of the state. The Vermont Division of Historic Sites wishes to extend the recognition and protection of the National Register to the majority of the surviving covered bridges, including the Halpin bridge.

1. R. S. Allen, Covered Bridges of the Northeast, The Stephen Greene Press, Brattleboro, Vt., 1957, p. 50.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allen, Richard Sanders, Covered Bridges of the Northeast, The Stephen Greene Press, Brattleboro, Vt., 1957.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	° ' "	° ' "		44°	02'	59"
NE	° ' "	° ' "		73°	08'	29"
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **one acre**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Hugh H. Henry, Historic Sites Researcher

ORGANIZATION: **Vermont Division of Historic Sites** DATE: **1-8-74**

STREET AND NUMBER:
Pavilion Building

CITY OR TOWN: **Montpelier** STATE: **Vermont** CODE: **50**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name William B. Pinney
Title **Director of Historic Sites
State Historic Preservation
Officer**
Date 1/17/74

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Dr. Mortensen
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 1/10/74

ATTEST:
Charles Henry
Keeper of The National Register
Date 1-8-74

WRITE-UP COMMENT
SHEET
(leave attached to nomination)

PROPERTY: Halpin Covered Bridge Vt.

If there are comments (negative or positive) which will affect the write up, please indicate them below.

NAME:

LOCATION: n.e. of Middlebury off VT 93, Don Morin
5-8-84

DESCRIPTION:

STYLE OR CULTURE:

DATE AND INSTIGATOR (builder, architect, group, engineer, etc.):
architect not given Don Morin
5-8-84

PRESENT CONDITION (altered, covered, ruins, deteriorated--archeological):

SIGNIFICANCE (specify paragraph or line):

SURVEY RECORDS (is form correct?):

COMMENTS:

PROPERTY

Halpin Covered Bridge STATE Vt.

WORKING NUMBER

1.28.74.151

TECH REVIEW

PHOTOS

1

MAPS

1

Franklin

CONTROL REVIEW

OK

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1.29.
74*

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Date?

*Accept
Lebowich
9/5/74*

*Accept
Jan Sherman
4-11-74*

ARCHEOLOGIST

TOLBER

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

*Kennedy
for Marting
5-8-74*

National Register Write-up

10/29/74

Send-back

Federal Register entry

11/5/74

Re-submit

Entered

SEP 10 1974



VERMONT DIVISION OF HISTORIC SITES
COUNTY Addison TOWN Middlebury
SUBJECT Halpin covered bridge
DATE 10/1973 FILE # 73-A-58
CREDIT Hugh H. Henry
VIEW west portal, north elevation

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

1. NAME

COMMON

AND/OR HISTORIC

NUMERIC CODE (Assigned by NPS)

Halpin Covered Bridge

SEP 10 1974

2. LOCATION

STATE

COUNTY

TOWN

Vermont

Addison

Middlebury

STREET AND NUMBER

Town road across Muddy Branch of New Haven River

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT

Hugh H. Henry

DATE

October 1973

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Vermont Division of
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for Vt. Division of
Historic Sites

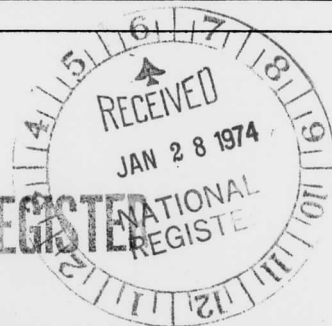
4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

View of west portal and north elevation.

#1

PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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Town road across Muddy Branch of New Haven River

CITY OR TOWN:

Middlebury

STATE: Vermont	CODE 50	COUNTY: Addison	CODE 01
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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:

U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute series (topographic) - Middlebury Vt.

SCALE: 1:24000

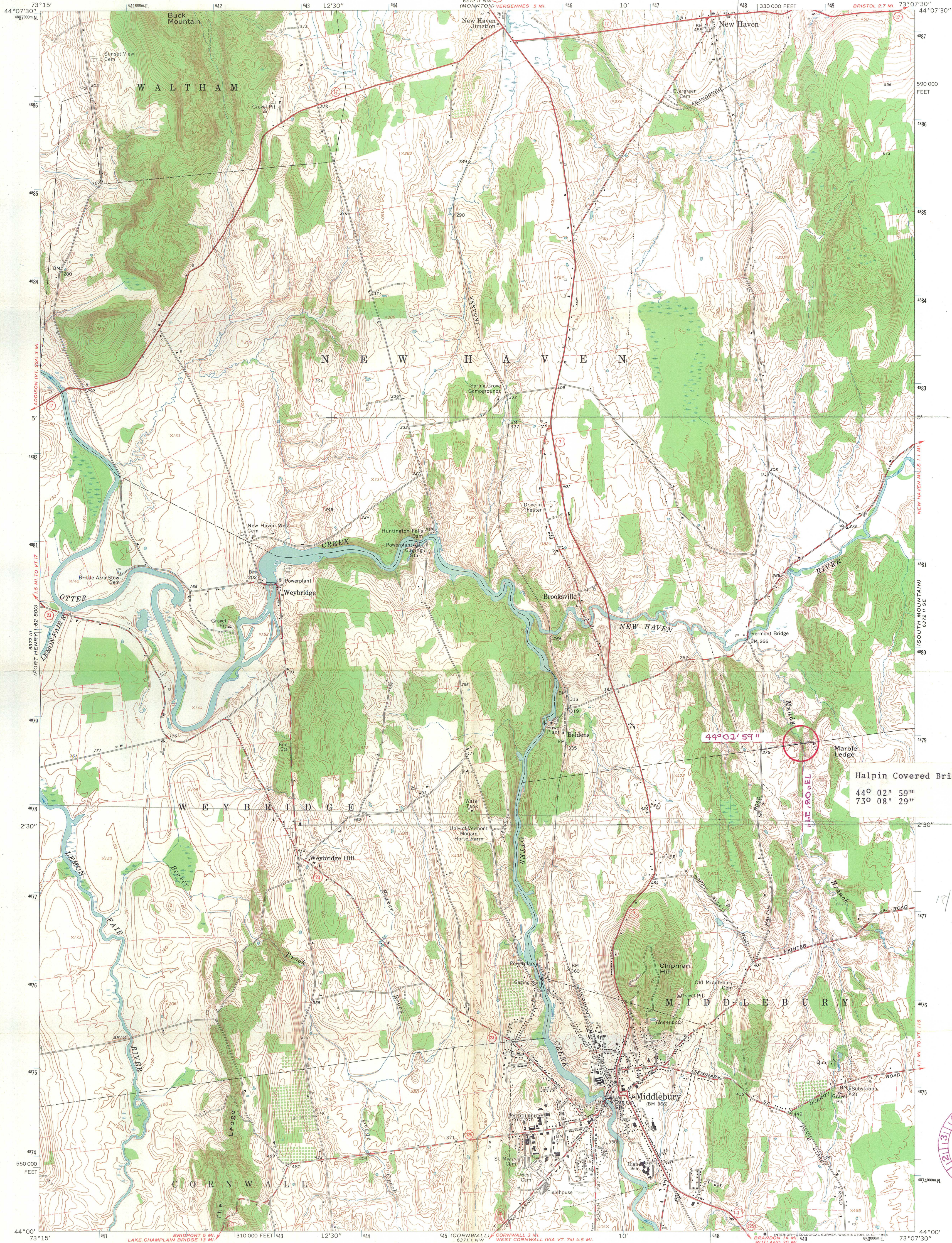
DATE: 1963

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.



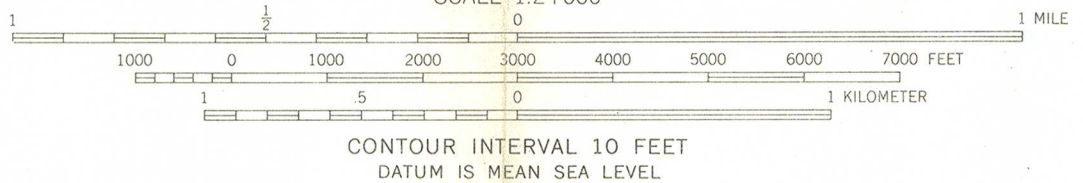
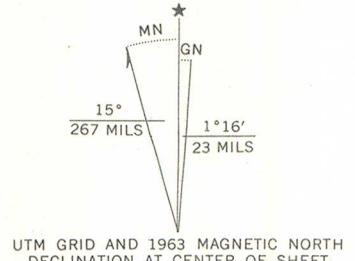


Halpin Covered Bridge
44° 02' 59\"/>
73° 08' 29\"

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Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1961. Field checked 1963
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Vermont coordinate system
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines
where generally visible on aerial photographs.
This information is unchecked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy duty	Light duty
Medium duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

MIDDLEBURY, VT.
SW/4 MIDDLEBURY 15' QUADRANGLE
N4400—W7307.5/7.5
1963
AMS 6372 11 SW—SERIES V813

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE VERMONT

Date Entered SEP 10 1974

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Cilley Covered Bridge	Tunbridge vicinity Orange County
Moxley Covered Bridge	Chelsea vicinity Orange County
Cedar Swamp Covered Bridge	Salisbury-Cornwall Town boundary Addison County
Howe Covered Bridge	Tunbridge vicinity Orange County
Dean Covered Bridge	Brandon vicinity Rutland County
Quinlan's Covered Bridge	Charlotte vicinity Chittenden County
Pulp Mill Covered Bridge	Middlebury-Weybridge Town boundar Addison County
Halpin Covered Bridge	Middlebury vicinity Addison County
Flint Covered Bridge	Tunbridge vicinity Orange County

Also Notified

Hon. George D. Aiken
Hon. Robert T. Starford
Hon. Richard W. Mallary
Regional Director, North Atlantic
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. William B. Pinney
Director
Vermont Division of Historic Sites
Pavilion Building
Montpelier, Vermont 05602

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