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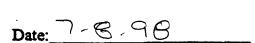
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARK AND PLANNING

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760



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FROM:	Gwen Wright, Coordinator Historic Preservation	-
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Historic Preservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

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Date: 7-8-98

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Historic Area Work Permit Applicants

FROM:

Gwen Wright, Coordinator

Historic Preservation Section

SUBJECT:

Historic Area Work Permit Application - Approval of Application/Release of

Other Required Permits

Enclosed is a copy of your Historic Area Work Permit application, approved by the Historic Preservation Commission at its recent meeting, and a transmittal memorandum stating conditions (if any) of approval.

You may now apply for a county building permit from the Department of Permitting Services (DPS) at 250 Hungerford Drive, second floor, in Rockville. Please note that although your work has been approved by the Historic Preservation Commission, it must also be approved by DPS before work can begin.

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Thank you very much for your patience and good luck with your project!



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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

Local Advisory Panel/Town Government

FROM:

Historic Preservation Section, M-NCPPC

Robin D. Ziek, Historic Preservation Planner

Perry Kephart, Historic Preservation Planner

SUBJECT:

Historic Area Work Permit Application - HPC Decision

Thank you for providing your comments to the HPC. Community involvement is a key component of historic preservation in Montgomery County. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call this office at (301) 563-3400.

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Bollards

Bollards are proposed to eliminate vehicular traffic from entering at either end of the approaches to the pedestrian bridge. The bollards will be of steel construction with a powder coated finish and removable to accommodate both emergency vehicle and utility access. Color and specific style to be determined.

Parapet

"Custom Rock" Rustic Ashlar Pattern or equivalent.

Addresses of Adjacent Property Owners

Mount Clare Properties 1700 One James Center Richmond, VA 23219

CSX Transportation, Inc.
Design Construction Engineering Divisions
500 Water Street, 10th Floor
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Raymond J. Howard 19215 Blunt Avenue Germantown, MD 20874

Curtis L. Benesh 19330 Germantown Road Germantown, MD 20874

Robert M. Aldiol 16710 River Road Poolesville, MD 20837

Mr. Manuel Monasi Montgomery County Department Executive Office Building 101 Monroe Street, 9th Floor Rockville, MD 20850

Mr. Kurt Miller RK&K Engineers 81 Mosher Street Baltimore, MD 21217



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ORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPÓR Route 118 at Mateny Hill Road, 07/08/98 Meeting Date: Germantown Historic District Review: **HAWP** Resource: Tax Credit: None

Public Notice:

06/24/98

Report Date:

07/01/98

Applicant:

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RECOMMEND:

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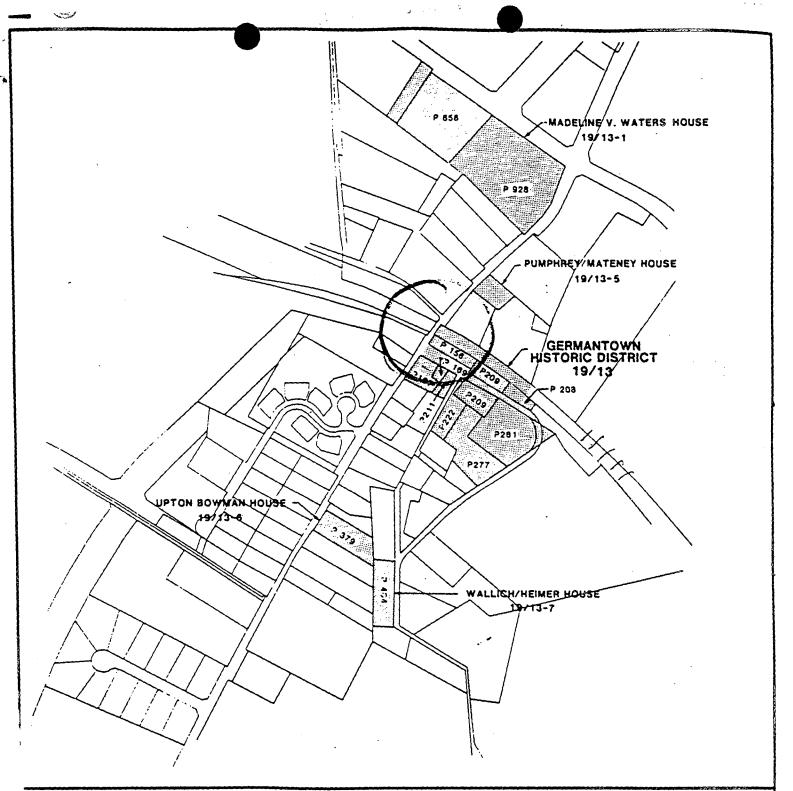
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Germantown Historic District #19/13

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The Germantown Historical Society P.O. Box 475 Germantown, M.D. 20875



Germantown Train Station

June 30, 1998

Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission 8787 Georgia Ave.

Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760

Dear Commissioners:

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 "Germantown Historic District, 1873-1930." It should be placed as far to the east as possible so that it would give the impression that it includes both sides of the bridge.

Uninventoried Historic Sites (marked on the enclosed map) to be considered.

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Dating from the 1870s, this store has been moved from the roadside site where it is shown on the 1879 Hopkins map. It has also been converted into a residence, but the tall granary shape of the building and the loading door on the second floor attest to its previous use.

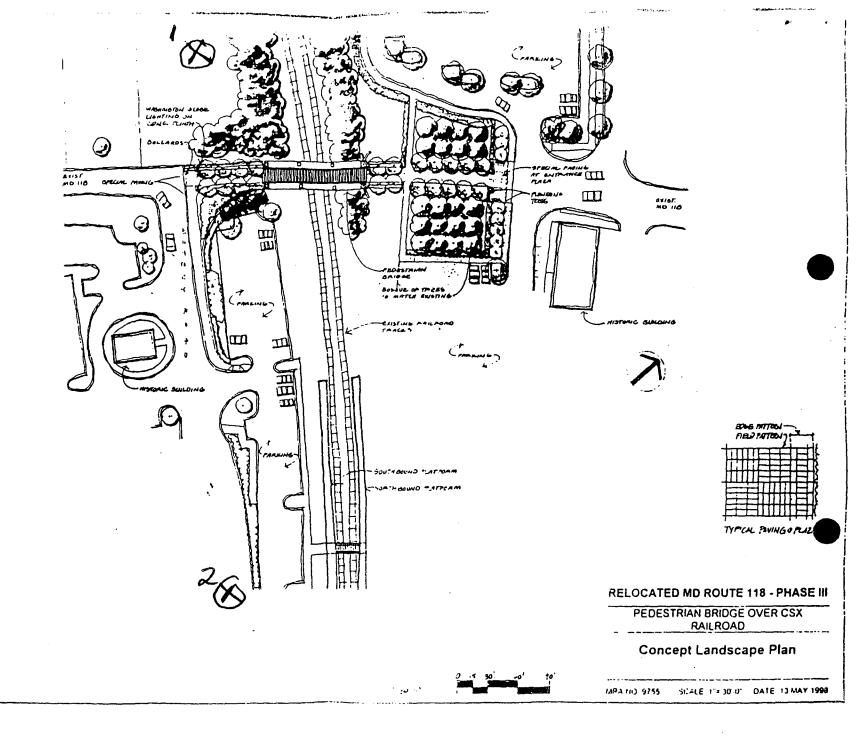
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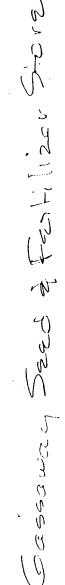
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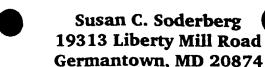




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Re: 19/13-98A

Dear Commissioners;

Since I will be unable to attend the July 8 meeting, I would like you to be aware of my views on the design of the pedestrian bridge over the railroad on old Rt. 118 in Germantown.

I concur with all of the suggestions made by the Germantown Historical Society.

I also have the following observations about the Public Meeting on the design of the bridge held on May 19, 1998 by the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation:

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- 2. Since the notification of the meeting went to residences within a ½ miles radius, and the notification was poorly worded, most of the people at the meeting were concerned about the closing of the bridge and other transportation issues--not much was said about the design of the bridge at all.
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- 4. A meeting between RK&K engineers and the adjacent neighborhood homeowners had been arranged by myself in March, 1998, but was called off by the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation.
- 5. An ambiguous questionnaire was handed out concerning when the bridge would be closed, but had no address where to send the questionnaire when completed.

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If concerns about the closing of the bridge over the railroad are brought up at the meeting I am enclosing a copy of a petition in favor of closing the bridge which was signed by most of the homeowners in the adjacent neighborhood. The public hearing on the closing of the bridge was held at the time of the revision of the Germantown Master Plan in 1988, and the closing of this bridge has been part of the Master Plan since it was approved by the Montgomery County Council in 1989.

Please give this application careful scrutiny. It is very important to our neighborhood. Most of us have been living here more than ten years, and some more than 20 years. We have been patiently waiting for the closing of this bridge to vehicular traffic as promised to us by the County in the Master Plan. We are very proud of our neighborhood and follow the rehabilitation guidelines even when our structures are not officially historic. We would like this bridge to fit well into our Victorian motif, and unite the historic buildings on both sides of the bridge.

Sincerely,

Susan Soderberg

We the following residents of Old Germantown Station SUPPORT the closing of the old Rt. 118 bridge over the railroad tracks when the re-aligned Rt. 118 is completed:

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

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- b. dimensions of all existing and proposed structures; and
- c. site features such as walkways, driveways, fences, ponds, streams, trash dumpsters, mechanical equipment, and landscaping.

73. PLANS AND ELEVATIONS

You must submit 2 copies of plans and elevations in a format no larger than 11" X 17". Plans on 8 1/2" X 11" paper are preferred.

- a. <u>Schematic construction plans</u>, with marked dimensions, indicating location, size and general type of walls, window and door openings, and other fixed features of both the existing resource(s) and the proposed work.
- b. Elevations (facades), with marked dimensions, clearly indicating proposed work in relation to existing construction and, when appropriate, context. All materials and fixtures proposed for the exterior must be noted on the elevations drawings. An existing and a proposed elevation drawing of each facade affected by the proposed work is required.

MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS

General description of materials and manufactured items proposed for incorporation in the work of the project. This information may be included on your design drawings.

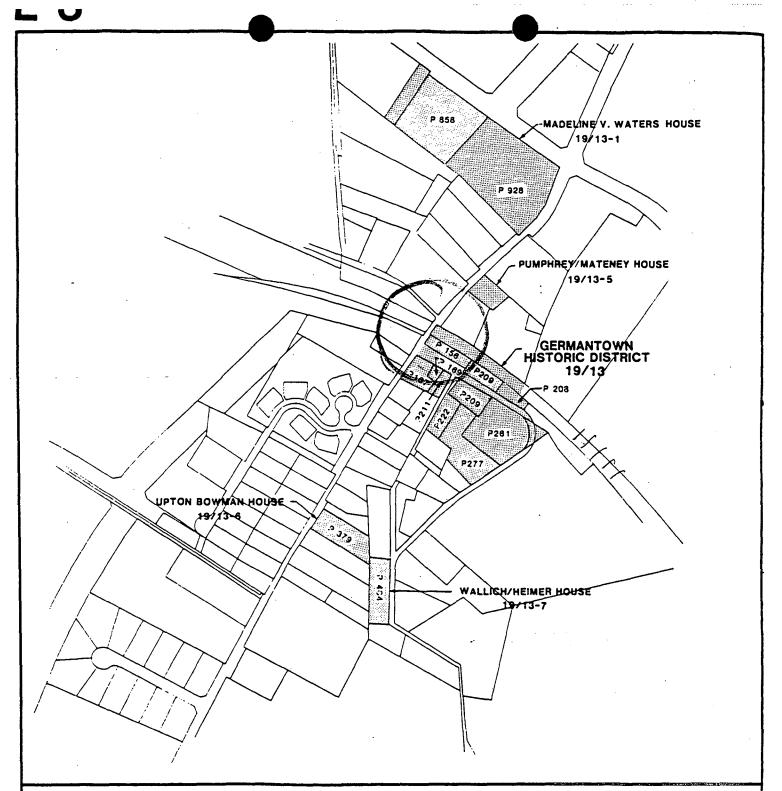
PHOTOGRAPHS

- a. Clearly labeled photographic prints of each facade of existing resource, including details of the affected portions. All labels should be placed on the front of photographs.
- b. Clearly label photographic prints of the resource as viewed from the public right-of-way and of the adjoining properties. All labels should be placed on the front of photographs.

6. TREE SURVEY

If you are proposing construction adjacent to or within the dripline of any tree 6" or larger in diameter (at approximately 4 feet above the ground), you must file an accurate tree survey identifying the size, location,







Comprehensive Amendment to the Master Plan for Germantown

Germantown Historic District #19/13

And Adjacent Historic Resources

The Maryland-Ristional Capital Park and Planning Commission



The Germantown Historical Society P.O. Box 475 Germantown, M.D. 20875



Germantown Train Station

June 30, 1998

Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission

8787 Georgia Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760

Dear Commissioners;

The Germantown Historical Society has some concerns about the proposed Historic Area Work Permit for the pedestrian bridge over the railroad in Germantown (HPC case No. 19/13-98A). These involve the design of the bridge, the landscaping, signage, and the impact on the Historic District and possible impact on two uninventoried historic sites. The plan was discussed by the Board on June 29, 1998.

- 1. The railings on the bridge should not be vinyl clad aluminum. We suggest that they be wrought iron painted black. If this is not affordable, then cast iron painted black would be acceptable.
- 2. The parapet veneer should resemble the native quartzite--not granite or yellow stone.
- 3. The bollards should resemble inverted cannons.
- 4. The north side of the bridge should not be "an alee of trees...creating a gateway..." The Historic area encompasses both sides of the bridge, as did the original town. The approach to the bridge should not be a "gateway," but a bridge between the two historic areas. We suggest a single line of trees as on the other side of the bridge, with the rest of the area planted in low shrubs and flowers.
- 5. All landscaping plants and trees should be what would have been in a Victorian garden.
- 6. The sign should not be like the one for the Liberty Mill, but a large sign announcing the Historic District, ie: "Germantown Historic District, 1873-1930." It should be placed as far to the east as possible so that it would give the impression that it includes both sides of the bridge.

Uninventoried Historic Sites (marked on the enclosed map) to be considered.

1. Gassaway Seed and Fertilizer Store

Dating from the 1870s, this store has been moved from the roadside site where it is shown on the 1879 Hopkins map. It has also been converted into a residence, but the tall granary shape of the building and the loading door on the second floor attest to its previous use.

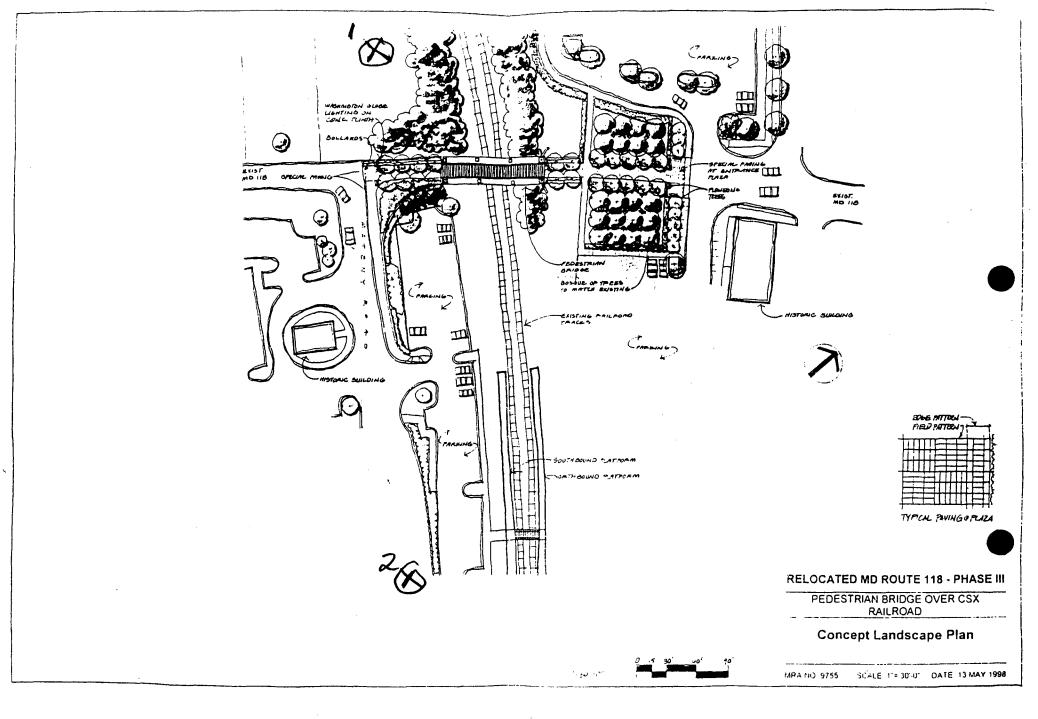
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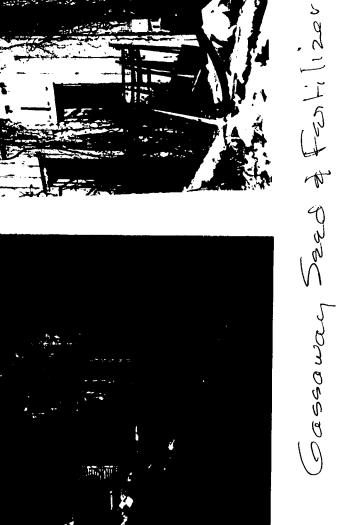
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Sincerely,

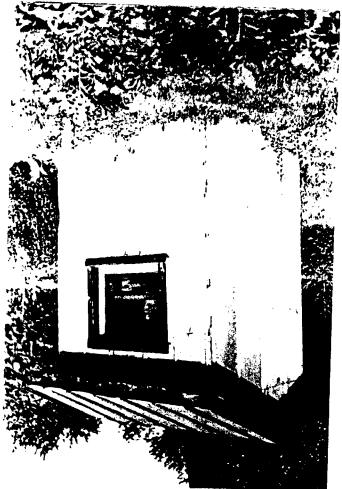
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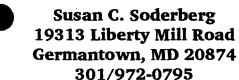
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June 30, 1998

Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission 8787 Georgia Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760

Re: 19/13-98A

Dear Commissioners;

Since I will be unable to attend the July 8 meeting, I would like you to be aware of my views on the design of the pedestrian bridge over the railroad on old Rt. 118 in Germantown.

I concur with all of the suggestions made by the Germantown Historical Society.

I also have the following observations about the Public Meeting on the design of the bridge held on May 19, 1998 by the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation:

- Only two of the homeowners in the Historic District and additional 14 historic houses in the neighborhood adjacent to the bridge were notified of the meeting—this is after I spoke with Mitra Pedoeem and told her of the problem in notification of owners of older properties when subdivision tax lists are used for mailing lists.
- 2. Since the notification of the meeting went to residences within a ½ miles radius, and the notification was poorly worded, most of the people at the meeting were concerned about the closing of the bridge and other transportation issues--not much was said about the design of the bridge at all.
- 3. Only four of the homes in the adjacent neighborhood were represented at the meeting.
- 4. A meeting between RK&K engineers and the adjacent neighborhood homeowners had been arranged by myself in March, 1998, but was called off by the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation.
- 5. An ambiguous questionnaire was handed out concerning when the bridge would be closed, but had no address where to send the questionnaire when completed.

Because of all of these problems you may conclude that the adjacent neighborhood and Historic District homeowners had practically no input in the design of this bridge.

If concerns about the closing of the bridge over the railroad are brought up at the meeting I am enclosing a copy of a petition in favor of closing the bridge which was signed by most of the homeowners in the adjacent neighborhood. The public hearing on the closing of the bridge was held at the time of the revision of the Germantown Master Plan in 1988, and the closing of this bridge has been part of the Master Plan since it was approved by the Montgomery Council in 1989.

Please give this application careful scrutiny. It is very important to our neighborhood. Most of us have been living here more than ten years, and some more than 20 years. We have been patiently waiting for the closing of this bridge to vehicular traffic as promised to us by the County in the Master Plan. We are very proud of our neighborhood and follow the rehabilitation guidelines even when our structures are not officially historic. We would like this bridge to fit well into our Victorian motif, and unite the historic buildings on both sides of the bridge.

Sincerely.

Susan Soderberg

We the following residents of Old Germantown Station SUPPORT the closing of the old Rt. 118 bridge over the railroad tracks when the re-aligned Rt. 118 is completed:

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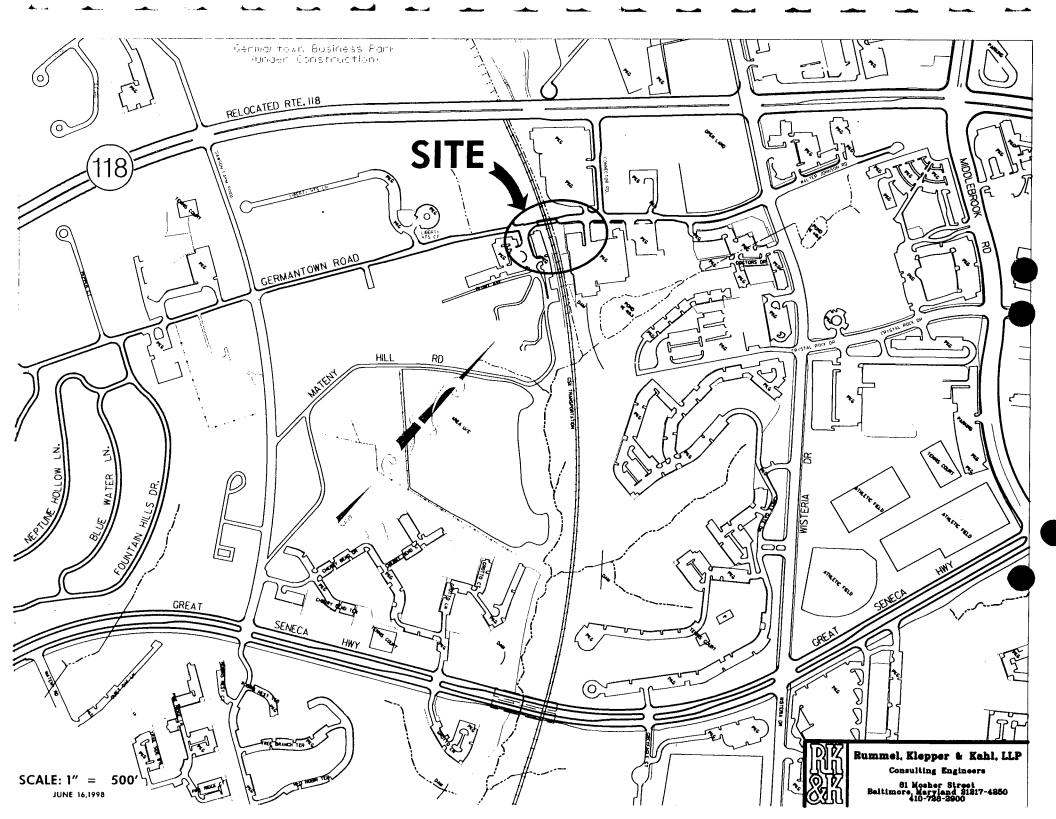
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Perry -

Susan Soderberg called with comments re: RR bridge in Germantown. Design for bridge should be approved with wrought iron, not aluminum. There are two unmentioned historic sites:

Gassaway Seed & Fertilizer store on HD side of bridge and Fairbanks Scales for the mill.

Due



Relocated Route 118 Phase III C.I.P. 508671 Historic Preservation Commission Historic Area Work Permit

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Background

The Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation is preparing final design plans for Phase III of the Relocated MD 118 contract to rehabilitate the existing MD Route 118 vehicular bridge to a pedestrian overpass. The work includes rehabilitative and architectural modifications to the existing bridge, removal of the existing roadway approaches, and the construction of a pedestrian pathway. The County expects to complete the design by the end of the 1998 Summer.

Scope of Work

Bridge and Approach Improvements:

The existing superstructure and substructure will be maintained. Rehabilitative and architectural modifications will be applied to both the existing superstructure and substructure as follows:

- The existing superstructure and substructure will be repaired, cleaned and painted.
- Seat walls and ornamental metal railing will be located on the outer edge of the superstructure, providing a usable surface of respite for pedestrians and bikers.
- The outside surface of the bridge parapet facing the MARC Station will be repaired and will
 receive a new architectural veneer finish. The walking surface will be brick pavers placed over
 the existing concrete deck.
- Lighting will be provided by "Washington Globe" fixtures at each end of the bridge and pathway
 on architectural plinths. Recessed lighting will be provided on the four architectural plinths
 centered above the existing piers.
- A 13'-6" wide brick pathway will be provided along the existing grade of MD 118 from Mateny Hill Road to the entrance of the new commuter parking facility and brick plazas at each end of the approaches will be landscaped with a variety of trees and shrubs.

Mateny Hill Road Improvements

- An 8' wide concrete sidewalk will be provided along the north side of Mateny Hill Road to provide
 access from the new bridge pathway to the station facilities commuter parking lots, and train
 platforms along the south side of the tracks.
- Mateny Hill Road will be milled and resurfaced from MD 118 to the commuter parking lot entrance.
- Replacement curb gutter and sidewalk will be provide along the west side of Mateny Hill Road.



Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP ——
Consulting Engineers

Historic District Resources

The southern limits of the project site along Mateny Hill Road lie within the Germantown Historic District. In addition, the Pumphrey/Mateney House, an individual historic resource, is located northeast of the project site. Historic buildings within the district and adjacent to the project include: the Rayfield/Browning House including the board and batten shed; the Old Germantown Bank Building, currently used as the MARC ticket office; and the B&O Railroad Depot. These historic buildings will not be affected by the proposed improvements.

Historic monumentation may be located at the northern approach plaza in the form of a plaque, similar to the Liberty Mill Monument displayed at the Mateny Hill Road commuter rail parking entrance.

General Material Specifications

• Brick

All proposed brick paving will be in accordance with Montgomery County Standards, Watsontown Blend, or approved equal. Proposed patterns include running bond for the larger fields of brick, with stacked bond accent bands along edges to visually help define pedestrian areas. These accent bands may be of a slightly different color than the primary field of brick. Methods of construction for the bridge will be that of pavers set on an asphalt setting bed with hand tight sand joints.

<u>Lighting</u>

Proposed lighting is the Washington Globe Fixture, similar to the lighting at the Germantown MARC Station. Ten foot pole heights (excluding fixtures) will be utilities on 2-1/2 feet plinths at the bridge and entrance plazas and twelve-foot poles will be used on standard ground mounts along the pathway and Mateny Hill Road.

Concrete

All walks leading up to the pedestrian bridge will be of concrete typical to the area. Score patterns and finishes have yet to be determined or designed, but will be in keeping with the quality of the rest of the project.

Seatwalls

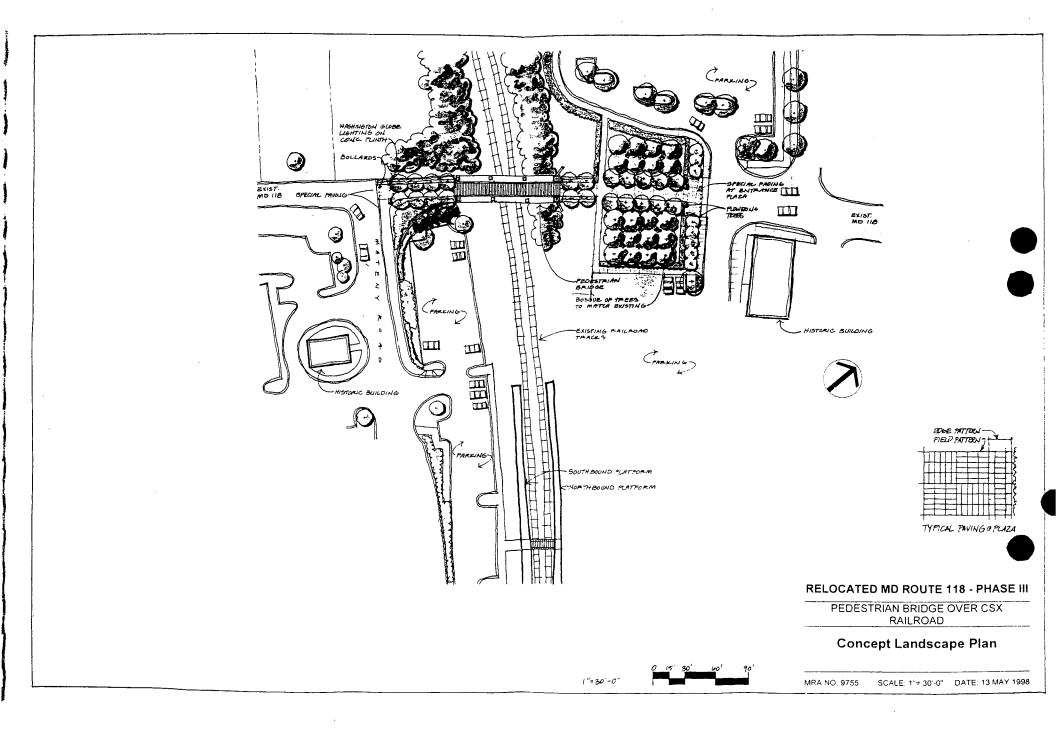
In order to physically narrow the existing bridge down to a more pedestrian scale, seat walls will be created to replace the existing walks on the bridge. These walls extend the full length of the bridge and are interrupted only by the raised sections for the lighting plinths (over the bridge piers). The seat walls as shown on the alternative, will have a concrete surface veneer in a two-color "wave" pattern to visually move pedestrians through the space.

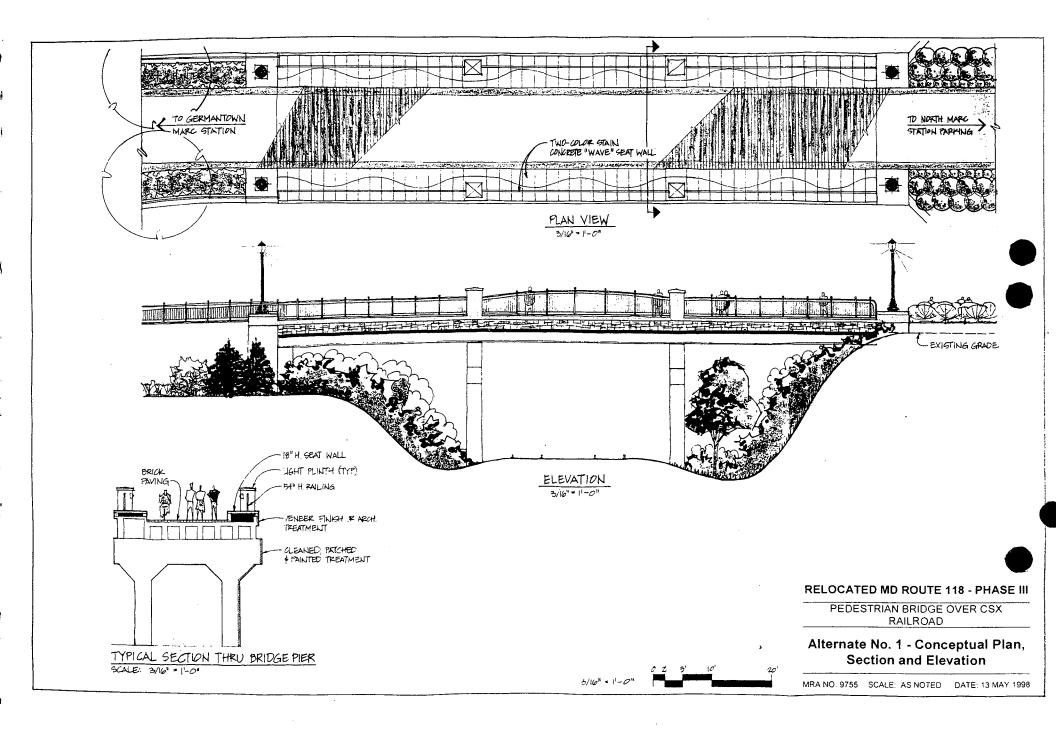
A vinyl clad aluminum ornamental railing runs the length of the bridge and along the Mateny Hill Road retaining wall, 54" above the elevation of the seat walls. Color and design to be determined (but it is our desire to match or compliment the colors of the proposed lighting and site furnishings.

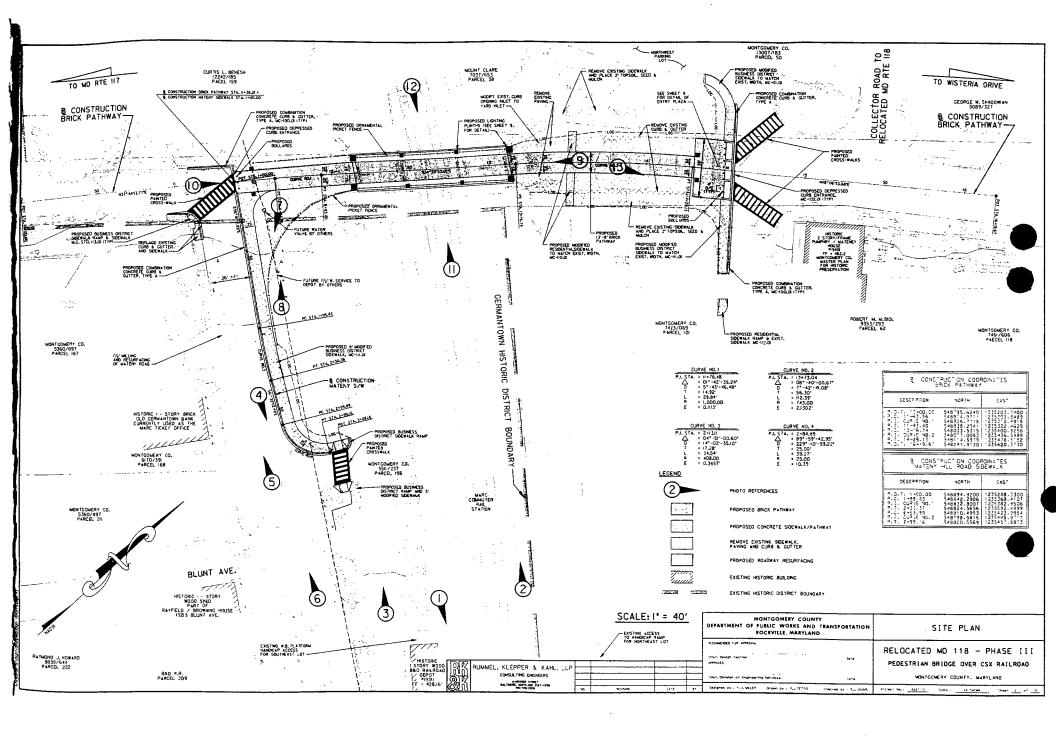
<u>Landscaping</u>

Function and seasonal interest help define the concept of the landscaping. To the north side of the bridge where the two MARC Parking lots merge, an alee of trees flank both sides of the approach to the bridge, creating a small pedestrian mall or gateway to the MARC Station. Both flowering trees and deciduous shade trees will be used to create this effect. A new bosque of













EASTBOUND PLATFORM WITH HANDICAPPED RAMP USED TO ACCESS WESTBOUND PLATFORM AND NORTH PARKING LOT

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WESTBOUND PLATFORM LOOKING TOWARD MD 118 BRIDGE





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SOUTH PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO MATENY HILL ROAD WITH MD 118 IN THE BACKGROUND

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EASTBOUND VIEW OF MATENY HILL ROAD WITH SOUTH PARKING LOT ON LEFT



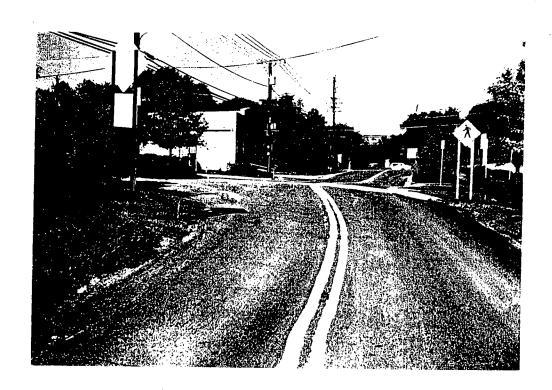


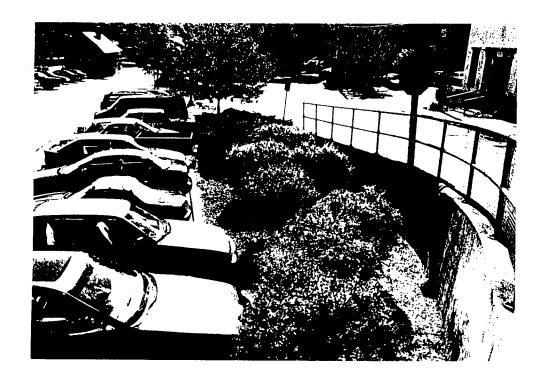


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MATENY HILL ROAD LOOKING WEST TOWARD MD 118



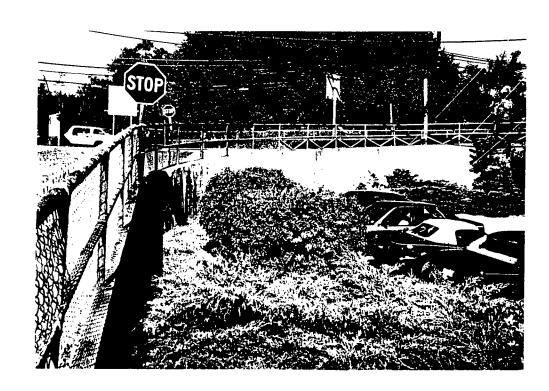




LOOKING EAST AT THE RETAINING WALL ALONG MATENY HILL ROAD

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LOOKING WEST AT THE RETAINING WALL ALONG MATENY HILL ROAD



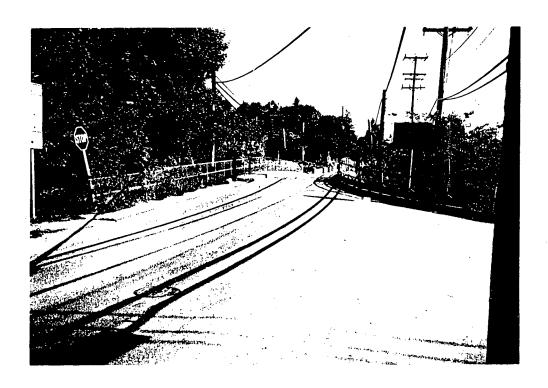




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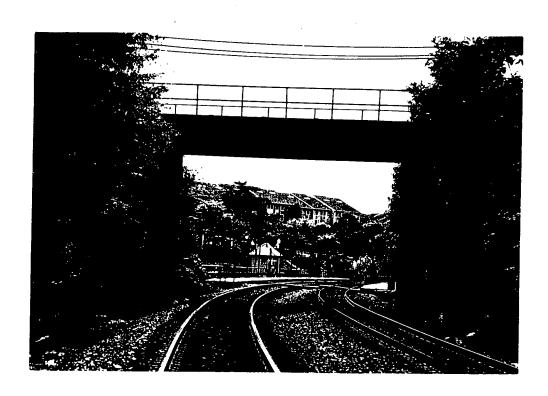




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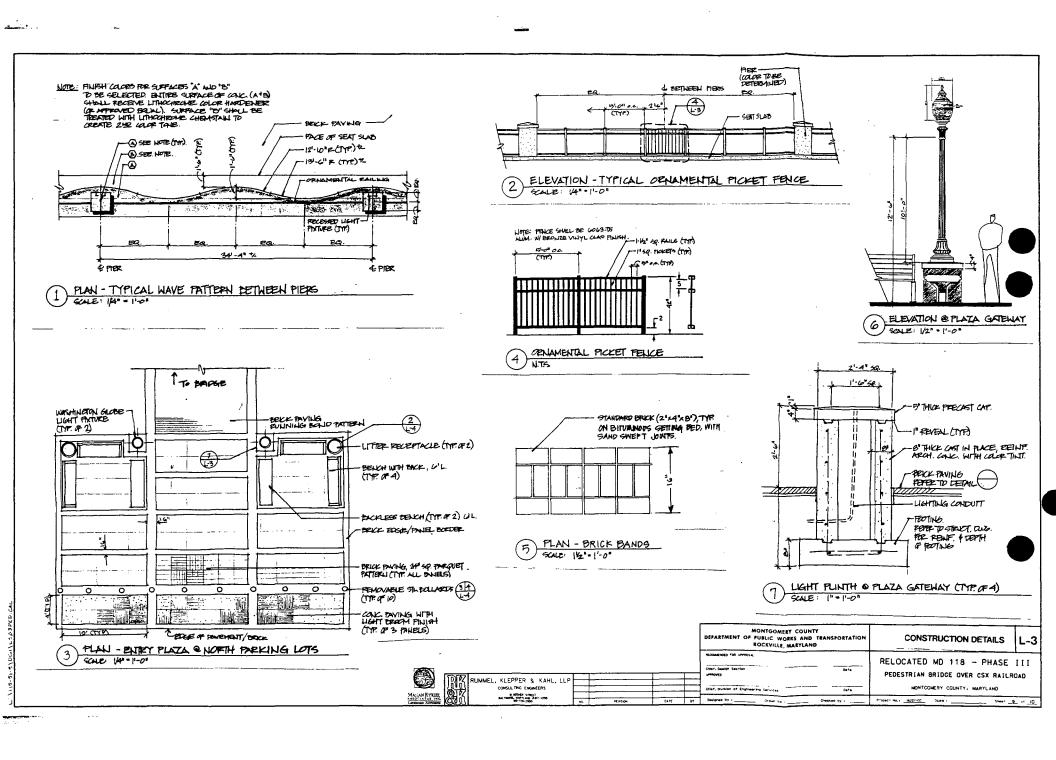






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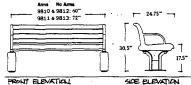
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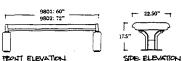
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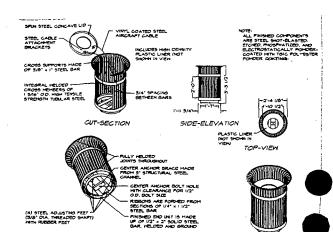
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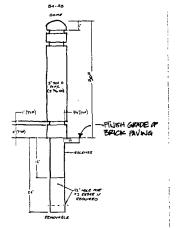
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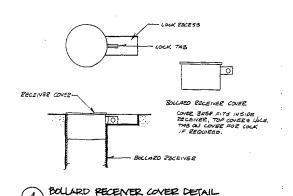
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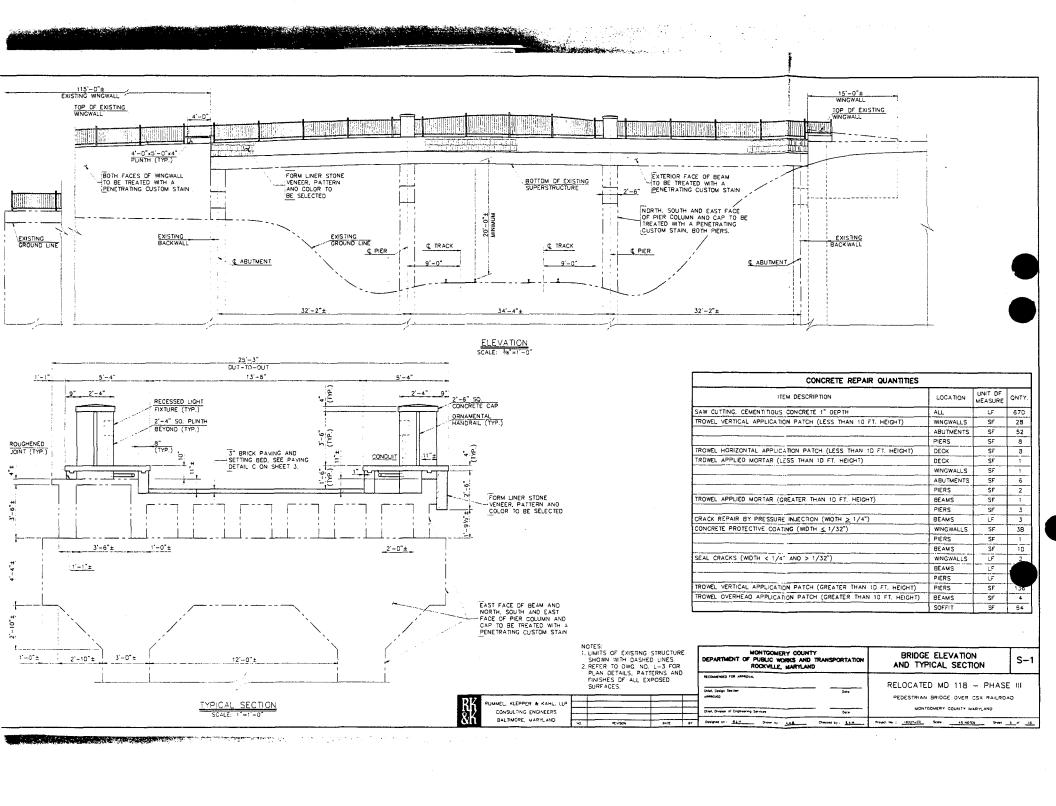
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