

New York State Department of Public Works Canal Bridge Reference Lists A3259

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	These records relate to bridges over the Erie Canal and the Barge Canal that either needed to be replaced or built to accommodate new canal locations. The lists note contract number; name of bridge; location; measurements such as lowest point on structure, normal pool elevation, and clearance; by whom maintained (state, county, or railroad); and costs.
Title:	Canal bridge reference lists
Quantity:	0.5 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1917, 1928-1942
Series:	A3259

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Administrative History

Legislation of 1903 directed the State Engineer and Surveyor and the Superintendent of Public Works to improve the Erie, Oswego, and Champlain canals. Where required, new bridges were to be built either to replace old ones or if rendered necessary by the new location of the canals.

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Scope and Content Note

The State Engineer and Surveyor kept these records of bridges over the Erie Canal and the Barge Canal in connection with his responsibilities for improvement of the state's canal system.

The lists vary in format and content but may provide such information as: contract number; name of bridge; location; measurements such as lowest point on structure, normal pool elevation, and clearance; by whom maintained (state, county, or railroad); and costs.

A3259-15: This accretion contains bridge inventory and condition cards for canal bridges near Syracuse; an inventory of Division 3 locks, bridges, and motors, 1928; and a binder listing Barge Canal bridges and spillways with drawings of sections and angles, 1942.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

Administrative Information

Acquistion Information

A3259-15: These records were identified and transferred by principal engineer William Schollenberger of the New York State Canal Corporation in April 2014.

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Access Terms

- Bridges--Design and construction
- Erie Canal (N.Y.)
- New York (State)
- Constructing
- Bridges--New York (State)
- New York State Barge Canal System (N.Y.)
- Canals
- Lists (document genres)
- New York (State). State Engineer and Surveyor
- New York (State). Department of Transportation