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**New York State Department of Public Works Roll Maps and
Plans of the Middle Division of the Erie Canal B0729**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of roll survey maps for the enlargement of the Middle Division of the Erie Canal. Maps show red lines; blue lines; sectional divisions; old and new channels; profiles; existing structures; names of property owners; and adjacent roads, streets, and buildings. The series also includes approximately 70 linen tracings of earlier maps. These tracings show the relative positions of the Erie Canal and the later Enlarged Canal, and include names of property owners.
Title:	Roll maps and plans of the Middle Division of the Erie Canal
Quantity:	114.3 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1840-1951
Series:	B0729

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Arrangement

B0729-07: Numerical corresponding to relative geographical location.

B0729-12: Unarranged.

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Scope and Content Note

B0729-85: This accretion consists of roll survey maps for the enlargement of the Middle Division of the Erie Canal. Maps show red lines; blue lines; sectional divisions; old and new channels; profiles; existing structures; names of property owners; and adjacent roads, streets, and buildings. Maps vary in size, the largest being approximately 30 inches by 15 feet. Maps are rolled; most are on rods or in tubes. The maps have been numbered repeatedly. The most recent numbers refer to a bin location in the Utica Office of the Canal Corporation of the New York State Thruway Authority, and consist of a numeral, slash, and letter (e.g., "9/M").

The accretion includes some torn fragments of roll survey maps for the enlargement of the Middle Division of the Erie Canal. Originally stored rolled in tubes, the maps are badly torn. Often the number identifying the map or the location of the map is missing.

B0729-07: This accretion consists of ca. 70 linen tracings of earlier maps. Maps are numbered consecutively and measure ca. 20 by 25 inches. The maps show the relative positions of the Erie Canal and the later Enlarged Canal, and include names of property owners. The maps may have been created for convenience copies or possibly as replacement copies of damaged maps from the time of the canal enlargement in the 1890s. The maps cover the geographic region from Dewitt to Frankfort.

B0729-12: This accretion consists of ca. 200 maps that chiefly document the Wood Creek area of the Erie Canal between Utica and Oneida Lake.

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Related Information

Related Material

B1908Series B1908, Card index to canal records, indexes this series

B1542Series B1542, Survey maps of the Northern and Southern Reservoir Systems, contains related records

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Container list and item list, except for accretion B0729-12, are available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Administrative Information

Processing Information

B0729-85: This accretion includes maps that were formerly accessioned as accretions B0729-91, B0729-97, and B0729-97A. The maps from these three accretions were integrated with B0729-85. Some of the maps in accretion B0729-85 may have been removed from the Canal Museum around 1985.

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Access Terms

- Erie Canal (N.Y.)
- Maintaining canals
- Plans (orthographic projections)
- Canals--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Maps (documents)
- Maintaining infrastructure
- Canals--Design and construction
- Constructing canals
- New York (State). Canal Commissioners
- New York (State). Canal Board