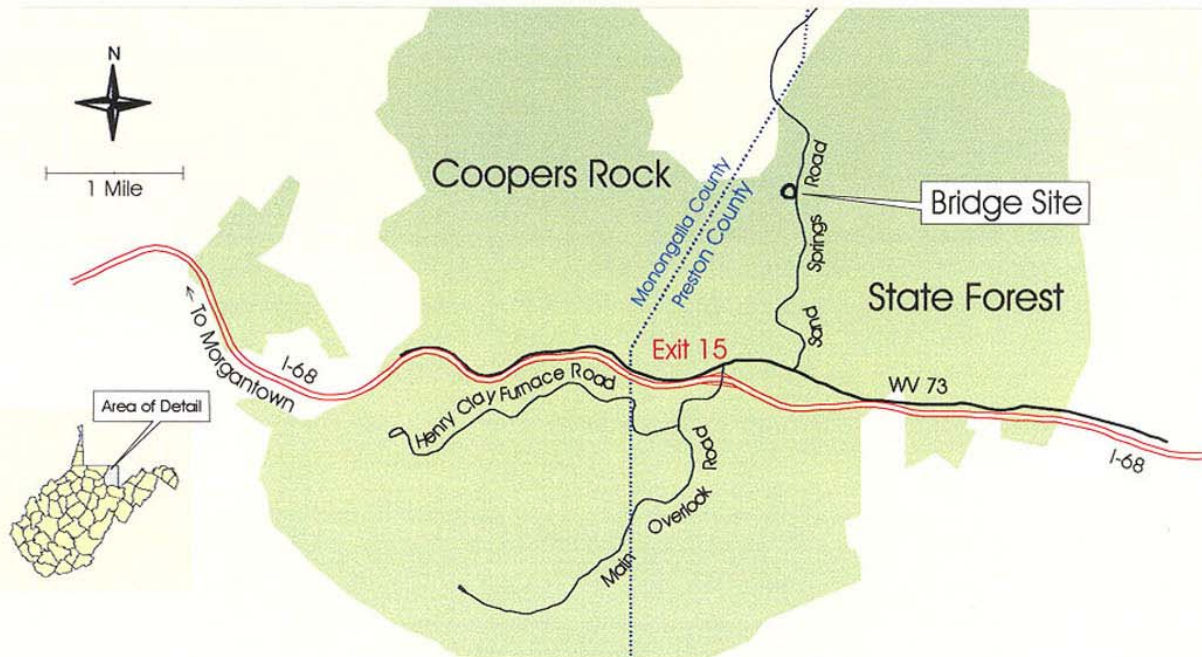


WESTVACO NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER TIMBER BRIDGE, Preston County, West Virginia



Type: Dowel-laminated Parallam® panel w/cover
Bridge length: 30'-0"
Roadway width: 14'-1 1/2"
Spans over: Stormwater channel

County: Preston
Owner: West Virginia University
Engineer: Ronald Benson, Erickson Engineering, Inc.



Directions: From Morgantown travel 7 miles east on I-68. Exit the highway at the Coopers Rock Exit (Exit 15). Turn left and cross the interstate and at the intersection turn right onto WV 73. Go 0.5 miles to the intersection of WV 73 and Sand Spring Road. Turn left onto Sand Springs Road and travel 1.4 miles to the Westvaco Natural Resource Center and the bridge site.



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GEOMETRY

Number of spans: 1
 Out-to-out length: 30'-0"
 Center-of-bearing length: 29'-0"
 Skew: 0 degrees
 Number of lanes: 1
 Out-to-out-width: 16'-0 1/2"
 Curb-to-curb width: 14'-1 1/2"
 Number of beams and spacing: None
 Superstructure square footage: 424

Design load: HS-20
 Design by: Erickson Engineering
 Abutment material: Driven steel pilings
 w/wood backing

Total wood quantity: 15,034 bf
 Total project cost: \$197,600
 Total superstructure cost: \$65,100
 Total superstructure cost/sq. Ft.: \$153.54

MATERIAL

DECK

Material: Parallel strand lumber
 Species: Yellow-poplar
 Sizes used: 3 1/2" x 14"
 Quantity: 3 pre-fab panels (2 widths)
 Preservative treatment: Creosote

TRANSVERSE STIFFNER BEAMS

Material: Parallel strand lumber
 Species: Yellow-poplar
 Sizes used: 6" x 12" x 16'-0"
 Quantity: 2
 Preservative treatment: Creosote

GUIDERAIL POSTS

Material: Wood
 Grade: No. 2
 Species: Douglas-fir
 Sizes used: 6" x 12" x 14'-8"
 Quantity: 12
 Preservative treatment: Creosote

GUIDERAIL CURB

Material: Wood
 Grade: No. 1
 Species: Douglas-fir
 Sizes used: 6" x 12" x 30'
 Quantity: 2
 Preservative treatment: Creosote

GUIDERAIL

Material: Glulam
 Species: Douglas-fir
 Sizes used: 6" x 10 3/4" x 30'
 Quantity: 2
 Preservative treatment: Creosote

STRESSING STEEL (none)

LOCAL IMPACT: The bridge provides secondary access to the West Virginia University, Division of Forestry, Westvaco Natural Resource Center. The experimental bridge is the first dowel-laminated bridge using yellow-poplar parallel strand lumber in the Country. The performance of the bridge will be monitored for two years.

BRIDGE PERFORMANCE: The bridge is performing as anticipated.

FUNDING SOURCES: USDA Forest Service: \$30,000; Balance of funding from West Virginia University.

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