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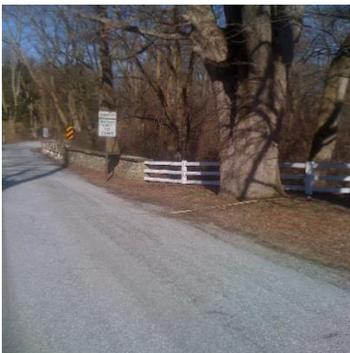
Roadmaster Report to the Board of Supervisors for February 19, 2026

Hadfield Road Bridge

As of Monday, February 9th, Hadfield Road Bridge is now open to the public. A final inspection of the bridge concluded on Friday the 13th.

The steel single lane bridge, constructed in 1913 initially had a weight rating of 20 tons. Over years of deterioration the span was reduced to a mere 3-ton weight limit which prevented most vehicles that were not regular passenger cars from passing over. Although considered historic, it was not safe or financially feasible for this county-owned bridge to remain in place or in use. The new bridge now with 2 lanes and no weight restriction was primarily federally funded. The county enabled portions of the old bridge to be used in the construction of the new one. The stone abutments, cap stone, and original plaque were all used in the reconstruction to help preserve some of the history associated with the original structure.

2010- 12-ton limit



Original Plaque



2026



