

Louisiana Historic Bridge Inventory

Recall Number: 009430

Structure Number: 03570550600131

SHPO Number: 57-00672

Bridge Name: VERMILION R/ABBEVILLE

Location Data:

District: 03

Parish: Vermilion

Feature Crossed: VERMILION R/ABBEVILLE

Facility Carried: LA0014

Location: .13 MI WEST OF US 167

City, Village or Town (if applicable): Abbeville

Status: Open

Bridge Owner: State of Louisiana

Latitude: 29.975

Longitude: -92.138333

Structural Data:

Bridge Type: Steel Vertical Lift Span

Year Built: 1938

Main Span Configuration (if applicable): Tower drive with connected towers

Maximum Span Length (feet): 75

Number of Spans: 1

Overall Structure Length (feet): 241

Approach Span Type (if applicable): Concrete tee beam

Posted Load: 15-25

Current ADT: 010600

Design and Construction Data:

Engineer or Builder:

Unknown

Bridge Plaque:

None

National Register of Historic Places Evaluation:

This tower drive with connected towers vertical lift bridge has significance as a movable bridge and as an important variation within the vertical lift bridge type. This variation is demonstrated in the location of the drive machinery at the center of a fixed span that operates the four sheaves. This configuration is uncommon nationally and represents a variation based on the small size of the navigation channel and necessary span length. The bridge exhibits alterations to the operator's house that result in a minor loss of integrity, but continues to convey the significant design features of this variation within the vertical lift type. This bridge is eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion C: Design/Engineering.

No evidence was found during research or data collection activities to indicate that this bridge possesses a direct and important association with historical events or trends. This bridge does not possess significance under Criterion A.

Within/Adjacent to Known Historic District: Yes

National Register Historic District Name: Downtown Abbeville Historic District

National Register Determination: Eligible

National Register Determination Date: 2013

Surveyor: Mead & Hunt, Inc.

Date Surveyed: 2013



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