The Mumma's Ford Bridge is a large two span through steel truss bridge of Pratt design which spans the Monocacy River. It is a single lane bridge, seventeen feet wide and two hundred and twenty feet in length set on cement abutments. A latticework railing extends along either side of the bridge. A name plate on the east side indicates that the bridge was "Built by York Bridge Company, 1911."

Iron truss bridges were the most popular form of bridge construction in Frederick County, Maryland between the 1870's and 1930's. The Mumma Ford Road Bridge is one of at least twelve bridges built by the York Bridge Company of York, Pennsylvania for the county in the early part of the 1900's.

According to Polk's York City Directory, the York Bridge Company was most active between the years 1902 and 1817, advertising as "Bridge builders, iron and steel structural work, etc." By 1917, the company had changed its name to the York Bridge & Construction Company.
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME
HISTORIC: Mumma Ford Bridge

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION
STREET & NUMBER:
Mumma's Ford Road across Monocacy River

CITY, TOWN:
Frederick

STATE:
Maryland

COUNTY:
Frederick

VICINITY OF:
E.D. 15

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

3 CLASSIFICATION

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4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME:
Frederick County Roads Department

STREET & NUMBER:
Montevue Lane

CITY, TOWN:
Frederick

STATE, zip code:
Maryland 21701

Telephone #:

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LIBER #:

FOLIO #:

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE
The Mumma Ford Bridge is a large two span through truss steel bridge of Pratt design which spans the Monocacy River on Mumma's Ford Road near Appolds, Maryland.

The single lane bridge which is set on cement abutments is approximately seventeen feet wide and two hundred twenty feet in length. The wood plank floor has been replaced and the joints are secured with pinned connections. A latticework railing extends along either side of the bridge. A name plate on the east side states, "Built by York Bridge Company, 1911. The bridge is being subjected to a great deal of rust and should be painted.
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12 East Church St., Winchester Hall

CITY OR TOWN
Frederick

DATE
9/26/78

STATE
Maryland

21701

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