

MP 34.1 30' Deck Plate Girder Timber Deck

Mile 33.1 Trail MP 32.1 Over McMurray Road

Built 1914 - Removed during construction of Arrowhead Trail ca. 1986 & replaced by steel truss trail bridge on original abutments.

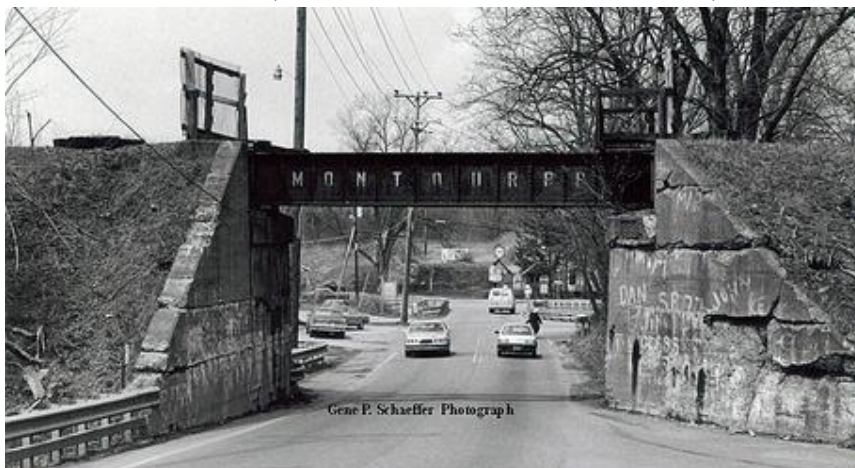
Abutments daylighted and replaced by 110 foot concrete span in 1997, carrying Arrowhead Trail over reconfigured roadway.

This view is looking north in October, 1980, with Brush Run bridge and Valley Brook Road intersection in background. East McMurray Road is 2 lanes with only 24 feet between bridge abutments.



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Same view in 1985, after abandonment of railroad, with deck removed.



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View looking north from Thomas Road in 2010 with Valley Brook Road intersection in background. New 110 foot bridge spans 4 traffic lanes plus increased sight lines.



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The bridge during removal ca. 1986. The deck was removed earlier and cross members have been torched through as main girders await removal. Note builder's date of 1913 stamped in concrete abutment.



Tim Sposato photo

View from Valley Brook Road intersection. Thomas Road is the left turn beyond bridge.



A similar view ca. 1986 with deck removed.



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Looking west across bridge from location behind Farmhouse Coffee.



A Montour track crew makes a stop for lunch at the McMurray Dairy Bar in 1976, while on a tie replacement project. Note new ties in the ditch and the chain-link fencing on the bridge walkways, which kept chunks of coal from falling onto the roadway below.



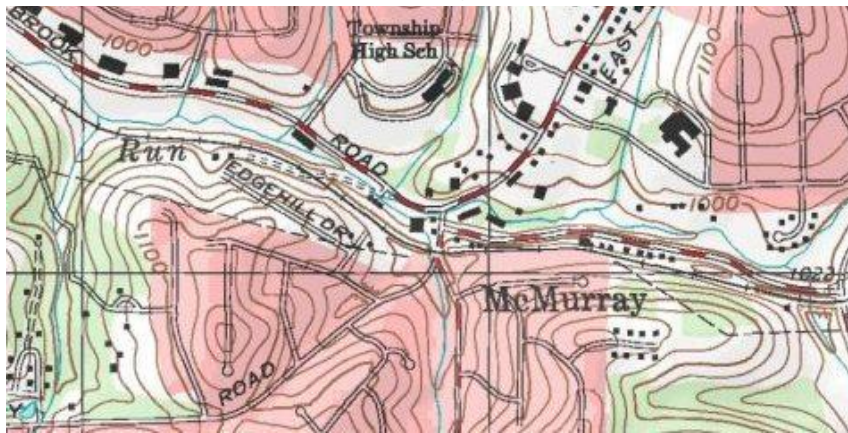
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In satellite view, Valley Brook Road runs top left to middle right, and McMurray Road from top right to bottom left. Thomas Road runs from bottom center to intersection with McMurray Road below bridge. VFW is left of bridge, with Farmhouse Coffee to right.



Courtesy Google Images

Old intersection alignment, pre-1997, is shown on topo map. Valley Brook Road is red dashed road from top left through offset at roadway bridge in center to middle right. East McMurray Road runs top right to lower left corner.



Courtesy Bob Ciminel / USGS

The valuation plan shows old alignment prior to 1997. Labeled J. H. McMurray House to left of center is now Farmhouse Coffee and the indicated Store House above it is now The Cob Collection interior designs. The current offices beside Cob Collection were once a lumber and coal supply company, with a short spur providing rail service.



Courtesy Greg Corcoran