

CANAL MIAMI & ERIE STATE/PROVINCE: Ohio COUNTIES: See attached list LOCATION (Endpoints of Canal): Toledo, Ohio, Lake Erie north; Cincinnati, Ohio River, south. TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: See attached list	STATUS Part abandoned, part state owned, part restored <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;"></td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">DATES IN USE 1828-1913</td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">CANAL 246</td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">LENGTH SLACKWATER 4</td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">TOTAL 250</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">LIFT LOCKS No. / SIZE 105-90x15</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="4" style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">ENLARGEMENTS</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		DATES IN USE 1828-1913	CANAL 246	LENGTH SLACKWATER 4	TOTAL 250	LIFT LOCKS No. / SIZE 105-90x15	ENLARGEMENTS	1					2					3					4				
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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: 1822: Surveys authorized by State Legislature. 1825: Construction authorized by State Legislature, Cincinnati to Dayton, ground broken at Middletown July 21, 1825. 1831: Extension north authorized, Dayton to Junction to connect with Wabash & Erie Canal in Ohio. 1845: Entire line of canal, Cincinnati to Dayton, in operation. Previous segments, Miami Canal, Miami Extension Canal and Wabash & Erie Canal (Ohio) combined under name of "Miami & Erie Canal". 1861-76: Leased to private operators. 1904-11: Reconstruction of entire canal undertaken. 1913: Devastating floods severely damaged entire canal, ending commercial operation.																												
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: The Miami & Erie Canal followed the Maumee River southwest from Toledo to Defiance, then southerly to the Loramie Summit, a distance of 151 miles from Lake Erie, ascending 217 feet in 51 locks. It then descended in the Great Miami River valley, generally, 512 feet in 54 locks to Cincinnati on the Ohio River. All locks were of cut stone masonry except 36 original wooden locks between Loramie Summit and Defiance, which were later replaced with concrete structures. The channel was 60 feet wide from Toledo to Junction, 50 feet, Junction to Loramie Summit, 50 feet, Loramie Summit to Dayton and 40 feet, Dayton to Cincinnati. One of the largest artificial lakes in the U. S., Grand Lake Reservoir, or sometimes called Lake St. Marys, supplied water to the northern reach of the canal. A one-mile section of the canal has been restored at the Piqua Historical Area by the Ohio Historical Society, with an authentic canal boat replica, "Gen. Harrison" operating.																												
NAMES & ADDRESSES OF GROUPS CONCERNED WITH CANALS PRESERVATION/RESTORATION: Ohio Historical Society, 1982 Velma Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43211																												
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UNPUBLISHED RECORDS, PHOTOS, DRAWINGS (CEHR, HAER, HABS, Local or Regional Historical Societies, Libraries, etc.):																												
EXISTING OR RECOMMENDED LANDMARK STATUS (CEHR, National Register, etc.): NR: Allen Co.: "Deep Cut"; Miami Co.: "Lockington Locks Historical Area." Miami Co.: "Piqua Historical Area State Memorial"																												
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U. S. Geological Survey Maps. Quadrangles.

Canal Counties.

1 Toledo	Allen
2 Rossford	Auglaize
3 Maumee	Butler
4 Bowling Green	Defiance
5 McClure	Hamilton
6 Napoleon	Mercer
7 Defiance	Miami
8 Continental	Montgomery
8-A Paulding (Wabash & Erie in Ohio)	Paulding
9 Delphos	Putnam
10 Spencerville	Shelby
11 Loramie	Van Wert
12 Covington	Warren
13 Troy	Lucas
13-A Sidney (Sidney Feeder)	
14 Dayton	
15 Waynesville	
16 Miamisburg	
17 Mason	
18 Hamilton	
19 E. Cincinnati, O.-Ky.	
20 W. Cincinnati, O.-Ky.	