



CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE

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Statement from Clermont County Engineer Pat Manger:

Following the collapse of the covered bridge on Tuesday, February 11, the bridge truss and construction debris have been removed from Stonelick Creek, consistent with all environmental and safety regulations.

The contractor is currently in the process of disassembling and thoroughly inspecting both of the wooden trusses. Each piece is being carefully labeled and cataloged as the components are taken apart. An independent third party will be brought in to evaluate and grade all of the wooden structural components to determine which elements must be replaced.

To accomplish the rehabilitation and restoration of this bridge, some structural elements were designated to be replaced, some repaired, and many reused in their original condition. Our goal remains to complete the project using as many original elements as possible while ensuring the safety of travelers across the bridge, and our priority continues to be a complete restoration in a manner that will highlight the long and historic past of the Stonelick Williams Corner Covered Bridge.

My office will continue to provide updates on this work, as needed.