

Ada Covered Bridge

Name of Project: Ada's Village Trail

Owner: Ada Township

Contact Person: Mr. George Haga

Township Supervisor (616) 676-9191

Dates of Completion: Phase 1 - September 1999

Phase 2 - August 30, 2003

Dollar Value: Phase 1 - Estimated \$520,000

Actual \$521,770.14

Phase 2 - Estimated \$242,000

Actual \$238,335.00



Completed Trail

Project Team: Steven C. Groenenboom, P.E., Project Manager

Alan Pennington, P.E., Project Engineer Mark DeVries, ASLA, Landscape Architect Deborah Poeder, LREA, Right of Way/Easements

This four-mile long trail begins in the central business district of the Township and passes through residential areas, farmlands, wetlands, wooded areas, and eventually connects with another extensive trail network in Cascade Township. The project required right-of-way and easement acquisition from numerous property owners including the Amway Corporation, Consumers Energy, churches, schools, and residents. Funding for the project was provided through a combination of individual donations, township funds, and Enhancement Grant funds secured from MDOT. Design challenges included boardwalks through several wetlands areas and retaining walls constructed to save trees and minimize earthwork.



Retaining wall under construction



Trail constructed to save trees



Boardwalk over wetlands