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**DCS offers a practical alternative**  
**Experts Can Cost-Effectively Save Our Historic Skinners Falls Bridge**  
PennDOT must restore, not destroy the historic Bridge.

Damascus Citizens for Sustainability has provided a set of recommendations from Wrought Iron Bridge Works (“WIBW”) for non-destructive stabilization and eventual rehabilitation of the historic Skinners Falls Bridge.

Skinners Falls Bridge can be stabilized without large cranes or riverbed disturbances, and done in a way that is non-destructive, and less costly and faster than the proposed demolition so that the “emergency” can be dealt with faster with WIBW’s techniques which are much less disturbing to ecological, archeological, and historical resources of the area.

See the plan and related documents here:

<https://www.damascuscitizensforsustainability.org/2025/01/28/experts-have-cost-effective-plan-to-save-the-skinners-falls-bridge/>

This proposal provides a path forward for (1) bridge stabilization, (2) a commitment to full rehabilitation, and (3) related support needs – all of which will save public money in the long run, retain tourism, reduce environmental/archeological/historic impact, ensure that river communities remain connected, and that the valuable historic resource of the Skinners Falls Bridge remains for future generations.

We request all the various agencies that have joined to agree to demolish the Bridge **to reconsider** and evaluate this plan as a holistic solution, instead of the continued slog toward demolition that creates more problems than it solves.

The proposed destruction of the Bridge must be halted, and Bridge rehabilitation finally made a priority.

Sincerely,

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