

## Historical Marker - L56 - Langley Covered Bridge (Marker ID#:L56)



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#### *Langley Covered Bridge*

This is the longest of Michigan's few remaining covered bridges. It is 282 feet long with three, ninety-four-foot spans of the Howe-truss construction. The bridge was built in 1887 by Pierce Bodmer of Parkville, using the best quality white pine for the frame timbers. The bridge's name honors a pioneer Centreville family. When the Sturgis Dam was built in 1910, the Langley Bridge had to be raised eight feet. In 1950-51 extensive repairs and replacement of parts on the bridge were carried out by the St. Joseph County Road Commission to preserve for the future this historic link with a bygone era.

#### **Significant Date:**

Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

**Registry Year:** 1965    **Erected Date:** 1965

### Marker Location

**Address:** Covered Bridge Rd

**City:** Centreville

**State:** MI    **ZipCode:**

**County:** Saint Joseph

**Township:**

**Lat:** 41.96687700 / **Long:** -85.52858500

**Web URL:**

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