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Again, Welcome to the newest members of the Postcard List. It's up to about 150 now.

I spent last week in the Upper Susquehanna River Basin area (see attached). There was a lot of snowfall this season, and it's all melting and draining into the Chesapeake Bay via the Susquehanna River. I got to see much of the river, I crossed it 13 times during the round trip (although two times were a wrong turn and a u-bee to come back, around the Harrisburg area).

At 444 miles, the Susquehanna is the longest river on the US East Coast. The river basin (or watershed) covers 27,500 square miles in three states. Any rain/snow/drainage in the watershed ends up in the Chesapeake Bay. It's one of the reasons it's so hard to clean up the bay, because water comes from so far away and goes through so many geo-political boundaries.

On the way home, I stopped by to see some family members who live in the Northern-Middle Susquehanna River Basin, about three miles East of where Wyalusing Creek meets the Susquehanna. When I left to drive back to Maryland, my trusty GPS maps took me on some "Township Roads," comprised of dirt and stone. T378 (see attached) was one of the most scenic rural routes I've ever taken. The best part was the stretch that began with the sign "Not Maintained in the Winter." It started with a steep incline that was covered with snow on the right half, and had a sharp drop off the left side. Not to be scared off by a couple feet of snow or 50 foot embankment, I locked the rear-differential on my Tacoma, and blazed through. Way too much fun.

After getting back on paved roads, the path follows Muncy Creek for a spell. Every time I drive this road I stop to see the covered bridge (can't find a name for it) that crosses the creek. I've photographed it before, but this time I had a better camera.

Cheers,
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SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN

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