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3rd Congressional District
Jack Brinkley

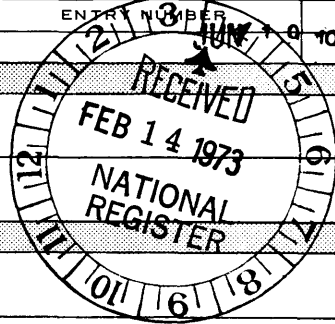
Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Georgia	
COUNTY: Meriwether	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 3	DATE JUN 10 1973



1. NAME

COMMON:
White Oak Creek Covered Bridge

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Covered Bridge Road

CITY OR TOWN:
3 miles southeast of Alvaton, Alvaton, Ga.

STATE: Georgia

CODE 13	COUNTY: Meriwether	CODE 199
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN USE <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Meriwether County

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House, Court Square

CITY OR TOWN: Greenville

STATE: Georgia

CODE: 13

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Meriwether County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court Square

CITY OR TOWN: Greenville

STATE: Georgia

CODE: 13

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
None

DATE OF SURVEY:
 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

CODE:

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STATE: Georgia

COUNTY: Meriwether

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

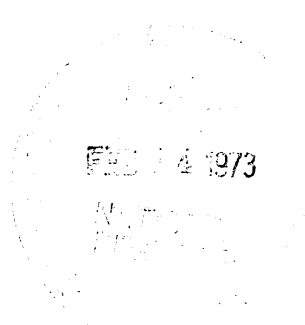
Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The White Oak Creek Covered Bridge is of the Long truss type. Built in the late nineteenth century probably by Horace King, it is a panel type with crossed single members between posts marking a series of kingposts with counter braces. This single span bridge is 80 feet in length and is still in use.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **C.1880**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>History</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

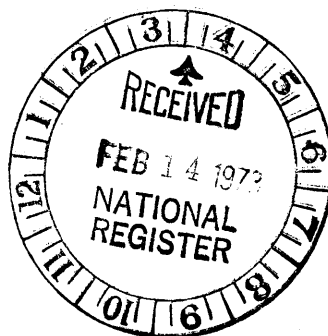
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The White Oak Creek Covered Bridge, one of Georgia's 22 remaining covered bridges, is of the Long truss type. Built c. 1880, it is attributed to Georgia's most famous bridge builder, Horace King.

The Long truss design for bridge construction was introduced in 1830 by Colonel Stephen H. Long, better known in Georgia for his work in surveying the route for the state-owned Western and Atlantic Railroad running between Atlanta and Chattanooga. It is thus understandable that this bridge construction type was first designed for railroad use.

The actual builder of White Oak Creek Covered Bridge was probably Horace King, a slave born in 1807 in South Carolina. He was given his freedom in 1848, but continued to work for his former master, John Godwin, a contractor. King built a bridge across the Pee Dee River in South Carolina before moving with Godwin to Gerard, Alabama. He built his first bridge across the Chattahoochee at Columbus and spent much time in West Georgia building numerous other bridges. He moved c. 1874 to the LaGrange, Georgia area where he continued contracting and building bridges. His three sons John, Marshall, and Washington followed his trade.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Alabama Historical Quarterly, 1953
Georgia Magazine, March 1972
 Freeman, Mrs. Ben R., Meriwether Historical Society, Inc. Presented first draft of National Register nomination form; on file at the Georgia Historical Commission.
 "Old Covered Bridges in Georgia." Georgia State Parks Department pamphlet.
The Sunday Ledger Enquirer Magazine, Columbus, Georgia. November 14, 1971, "Georgia Kissing Bridges."

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

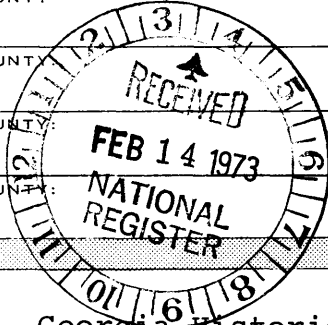
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CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than one acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: William R. Mitchell, Jr., Director, Georgia Historic Sites Survey
 ORGANIZATION: Georgia Historical Commission DATE: Aug. 8, 1972
 STREET AND NUMBER: 116 Mitchell Street, SW
 CITY OR TOWN: Atlanta STATE: Georgia CODE: 13

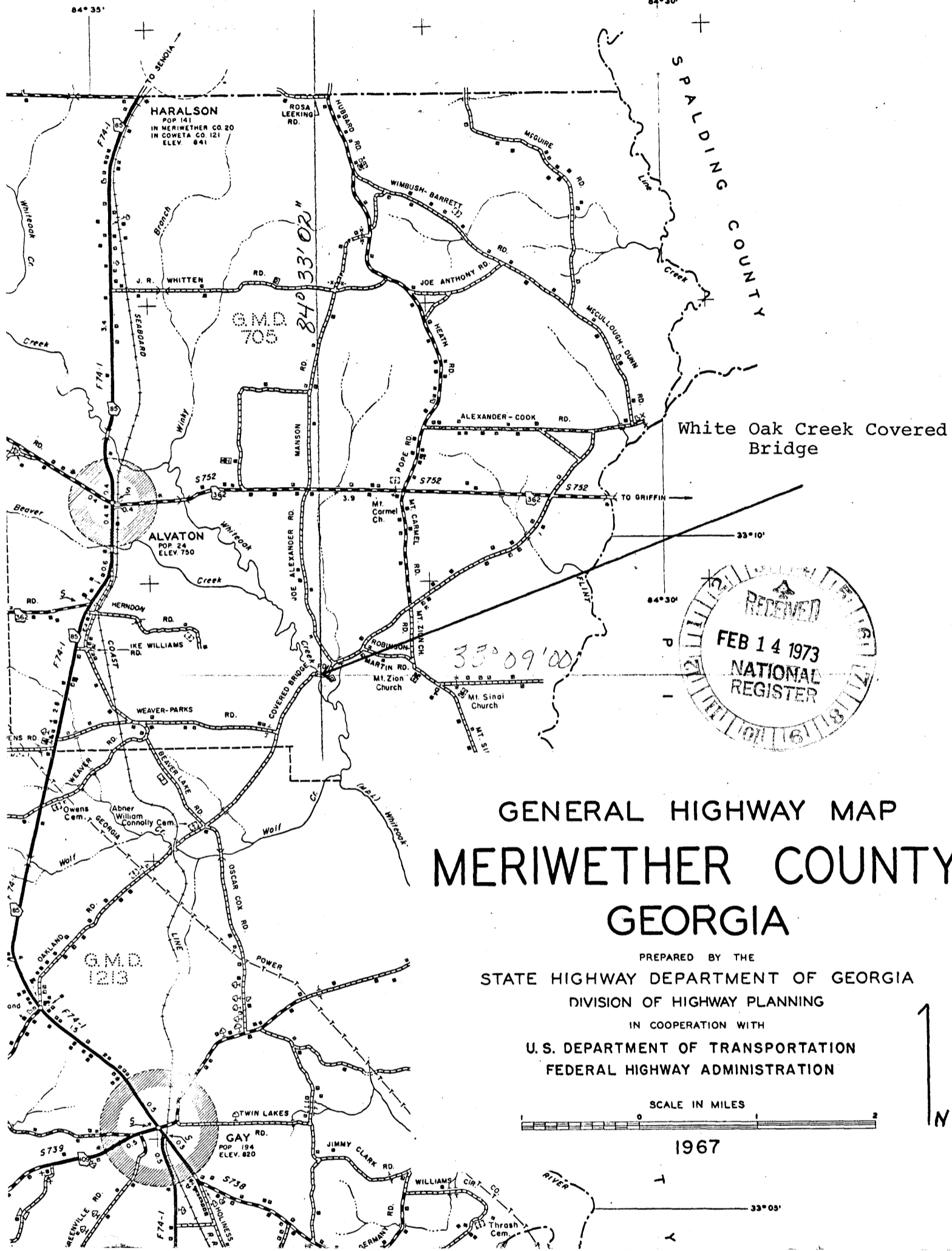
12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:
 National State Local

Name Mary Gregory Givert Title State Liaison Officer Date Feb 7, 1973

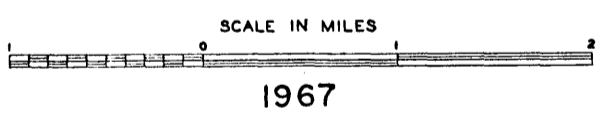
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.
Robert W. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
 Date 6/19/73
 ATTEST: [Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date 6 12 73

E T A C O U N T Y



GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP MERIWETHER COUNTY GEORGIA

PREPARED BY THE
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA
DIVISION OF HIGHWAY PLANNING
IN COOPERATION WITH
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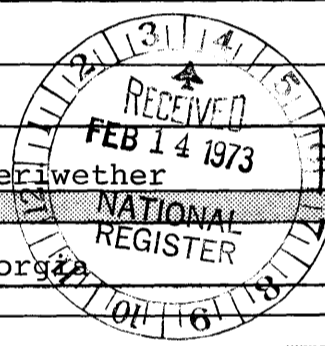
**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY MAP FORM**

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: State Highway Department of Georgia			
SCALE: 1 inch = 1 mile			
DATE: 1967			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



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