

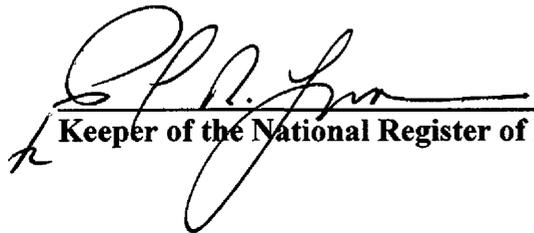


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The attached property, the "Office Bridge" in Lane County, OREGON, part of the Oregon Covered Bridges Thematic Resources, reference number 79003768, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places by the Keeper of the National Register on 11/29/1979. The attached nomination form is a copy of the original documentation provided to the Keeper at the time of listing.


Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places

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Date

THEMATIC GROUP NOMINATION
OREGON COVERED BRIDGES

Bridge Name and Number Office Bridge, Index No. 36

County Lane

Stream or River North Fork Middle Fork Willamette River

Location At Westfir, ca. 1 mile NW of Oakridge

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 7, T.21S., R.3E., W.M.

Zone 10 E540700 N4845998 Sardine Butte Quadrangle

Acreage and Boundary Description Full width of road right-of-way
for the distance between abutments and ten feet additional
at either end, containing in all approximately 12,000 square feet.

Present Owner Westfir Land and Development Company 503/782-4236
Gib Mitchell, President (subsidiary of Mitchell, Blacketer and
Associates, 2790 Crater Lake Highway,
Westfir, Oregon 97492 Medford, OR 97501 503/773-5234)

Date of Construction 1944

Description of Bridge

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|----------------|---|
| Length of span | 180 feet |
| Truss type | Howe truss |
| Cladding | Horizontal tongue-in-groove siding, vertical side walls |
| Roofing | shingled gable roof |
| Decking | Wood |

Other salient features Truncated triangular portal arches. Side aisle, or shed-roofed walkway on north elevation.

Specifically constructed to carry heavy loads, the bridge spans a mill pond created by a dam at Westfir. Its name derives from the fact that it connected the mill and office of the Westfir Company operation. Its predecessor washed out in 1942. The replacement of 1944 was built by the Westfir Lumber Company and was acquired along with the mill by the Edward Hines Lumber Company in 1945. The longest covered span standing in Oregon today, the Office Bridge is related in its design to taller housed railroad bridges which have larger trusses. Strength and rigidity are enhanced by multiple steel tension rods

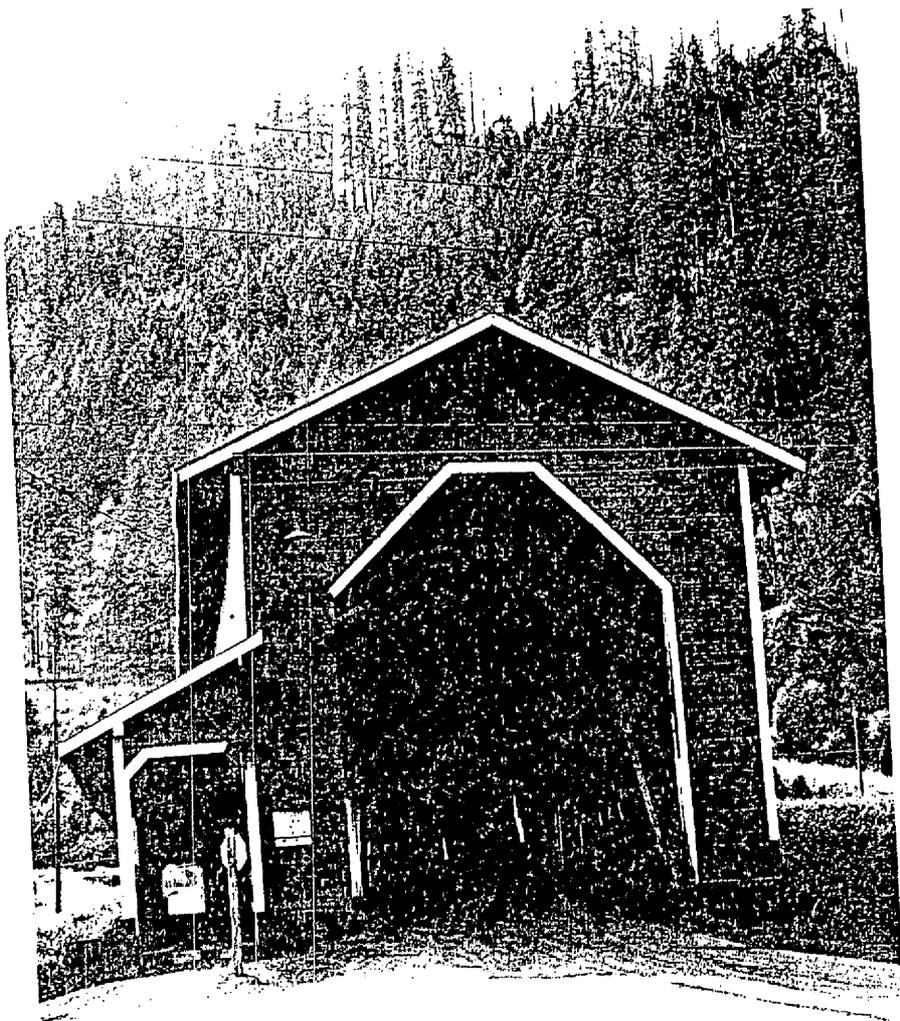
Legal description is included in the appropriate County Road Department (cont. on back) right-of-way files and County Deed Records.

Information based on following sources: Statewide Inventory Form prepared by Stephen Dow Beckham, 1976. Typescript on Oregon Covered Bridges by Nick and Bill Cockrell, 1977.

compound chord members and cross-bracing. The lumber town recently changed hands, and it is planned that the bridge will remain in service for the foreseeable future.

Bridge Index No. 36
Office Covered Bridge
Vicinity of Westfir
Lane County, Oregon
West Elevation

Nick and Bill Cockrell Photo, 1976
751 Piedmont NW
Salem, OR 97304

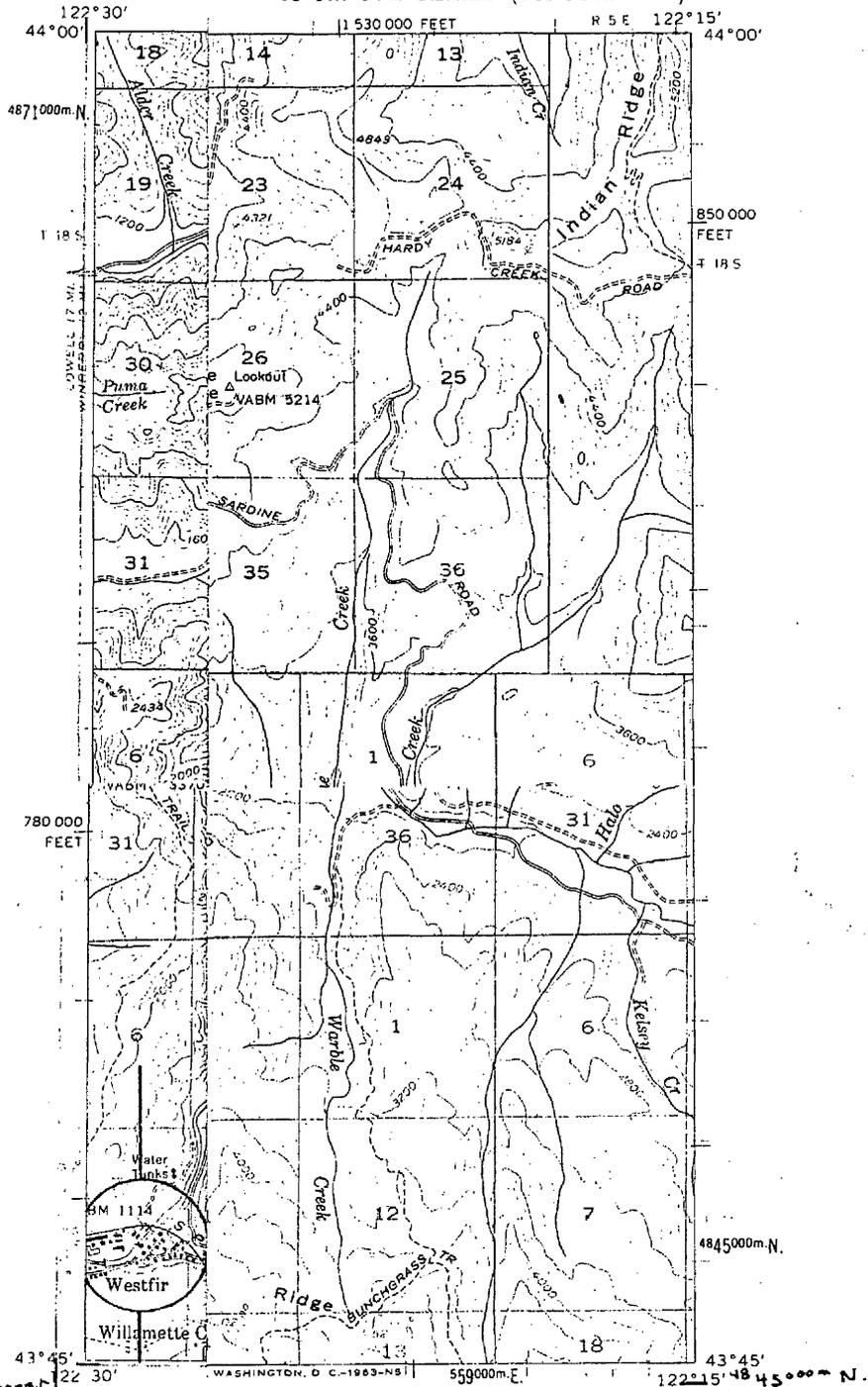


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DEPARTMENT OF
GEOGRAPHIC

SARDINE BUTTE QUADRANGLE
OREGON-LANE CO.
15 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

(MCKENZIE BRIDGE)



(FAIRVIEW PEAK)

Mapped, edited
Control by USGS
Topography from
Aerial photograph
Polyconic projec
10,000-foot grid
south zone
1000-meter Unit
zone 10, shown
Red tint indicate
landmark buildin
Unchecked revat.

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Medium-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Unimproved dirt

OFFICE

COVERED BRIDGE #36

SARDINE BUTTE, OREG.
N4345—W12215/15

1956

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Office Bridge
Stream: North Fork of the Middle Fork
of the Willamette River
Built: 1944 by Westfir Lumber Company
World Guide No.: 37-20-40

T21S R3E S18
Truss: Howe
Length: 180 feet

#36

The Office Bridge spans a mill pond created by a dam on the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Willamette River at the town of Westfir. The wooden span connects the mill and office of the Edward Hines Lumber Company--hence it derived its name.

At 180 feet in length, it is Oregon's longest covered bridge. The present structure is a replacement of the original bridge at this location which washed out in 1942. The Westfir Lumber Company, which built the bridge, was purchased by Edward Hines Lumber Company of Chicago in 1945.

A distinctive feature of the span is the covered walkway, separate from the roadway. Built for carrying loaded log trucks, the truss members are of herculean proportions.

The bridge is in the basic design of covered bridges built for railroad use, with multiple steel tension rods and compound chord members. Cross bracing on both the bottom and top chords adds rigidity to the structure.

TO GET THERE:

Travel toward Oakridge on Oregon 58. From the west, turn onto Westridge Avenue, near milepost 31, continuing to Westfir. From the east, follow Harbor Drive, near milepost 33, to Westfir.

TO GET THERE:

From Dexter, follow Lost Creek Road to Parvin Road. Travel on Parvin Road about 1 mile, crossing Rattlesnake Road, to the covered bridge.



County Lane # 28

Theme 6-A

Name
(Common) Parvin Covered Bridge

(Historic) (same)

Address Lost Creek, Parvin Road near
 Dexter, Oregon

Present Owner Lane County

(Address) Eugene, Oregon

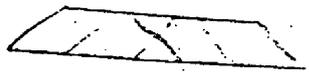
Original Use Bridge

Date of Construction 1921

... and statement of historical significance:

Parvin Covered Bridge was erected in 1921 on Lost Creek south of Dexter, Oregon. It is near the junction of Parvin Road and Rattlesnake Road. The bridge, which is presently abandoned and unused, is covered with a vertical board and batten exterior. It is flared at the base at the east and west ends and has the sign that it was erected when George W. Breeding was engineer for Lane County. The roof is gable. The span is seventy-five feet.

The truss arrangement is as follows:



Continue back if necessary

Recorded by Stephen Dow Beckham Date 27 May 1976 Sources Consulted:

Oregon State Historic Preservation Office "Oregon Covered Bridges," MS Typescript, Oregon State Highway Division, April, 1973, Salem, Oregon.

enclose map Township 19 ^N _S Range 1 ^E _W Section 21