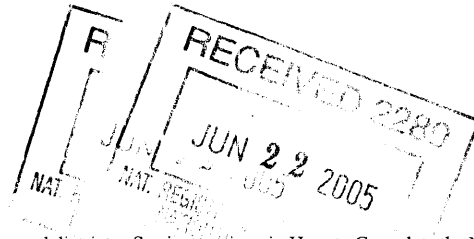


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name: Maxwell Creek Bridge on Hardin Road

other names/site number: Bridge No. 21C0058

2. Location

street & number: Hardin Road, 1.6 miles southeast of Pope Canyon Road not for publication: N/A  
city or town: \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity: N/A  
state: California code: CA county: Napa code: 055 Zip: 94567

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 20 JUN 2005  
Signature of certifying official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

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Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:  
 entered in the National Register  
 See continuation sheet.  
 determined eligible for the National Register  
 See continuation sheet.  
 determined not eligible for the National Register  
 removed from the National Register  
 other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Keeper Date of Action  
Edson Beall 8/5/05

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**5. Classification**

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Highway Bridges of California

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: TRANSPORTATION Sub: road related (vehicular)

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Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: TRANSPORTATION Sub: road related (vehicular)

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**7. Description**

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Masonry Arch Bridge

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation Stone

Roof \_\_\_\_\_

Walls Stone

other \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**8. Statement of Significance**

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Engineering

Period of Significance 1909

Significant Dates 1909

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Buckman, O.H. (designer)

Newman, J.B. (contractor)

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS)**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Location of Additional Data**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

**Name of Repository:** Cultural Studies Office, California Department of Transportation, 1120 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreage of Property** less than one acre

**UTM References:** Zone Easting Northing  
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**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

**11. Form Prepared By**

Name/Title: Stacie Ham

Organization: Napa Landmarks, Inc. Date: December 6, 2004

Street & Number: 100 Carradale Court Telephone: (916) 797-9495

City or Town: Roseville State: CA Zip Code: 95661

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**Description:**

The Maxwell Creek Bridge is a single 22.5 foot span, earth filled closed spandrel masonry arch. This 2 lane bridge has a length of 38 feet and a width of 19.7 feet. The masonry structure is comprised of square cut stone laid in regular courses. Both railings are comprised of square cut stone. A rural setting of trees and fields surrounds the bridge.

**Construction History:**

1909: masonry arch was built, the structure appears essentially unaltered and Caltrans' bridge maintenance files indicate that only routine maintenance has been undertaken since the bridge's construction

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**Statement of Significance:**

The Maxwell Creek Bridge meets the standards of National Register listing as set forth in the multiple property submission for historic highways bridges of California. Specifically, this structure satisfies the registration requirements for masonry arch bridges.

The Maxwell Creek Bridge is one of many masonry arch bridges built in Napa County in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The combination of availability of high quality building stone from nearby sources and the presence of skilled stonemasons can be seen in the many stone buildings and bridges that still exist throughout the county. This bridge is located on Hardin Road 1.6 miles southeast of Pope Canyon Road.

Napa County Surveyor, O.H. Buckman, designed the Maxwell Creek Bridge in 1909. Buckman served as a Napa County Surveyor from 1895 until about the time of World War I. The abundance of masonry arch bridges in Napa County is primarily due to his design efforts. This bridge was built by contractor J.B. Newman for a cost of \$1875. Newman was one of the primary masonry bridge contractors in Napa valley in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. For all intents and purposes, this bridge retains its original appearance.

This bridge was determined to be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C, at a local level, as part of a Statewide Bridge Survey undertaken by Caltrans in the mid-1980s. It was argued that the unaltered bridge retained a high degree of integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, and association. An update survey of the bridge in 2003 found the structure to continue to retain both integrity of design and setting. This unaltered masonry arch bridge is a fine example of a rare bridge type in California and appears to continue to be eligible for listing on the National Register under criterion C.

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**Verbal Boundary Description:**

A rectangle 38 feet by 20 feet, which conforms to the deck of the bridge on State Highway 29 over Garnett Creek and which includes the bridge as well as the river and riverbed beneath the deck.

**Boundary Justification:**

The boundary includes the historic resource and its immediate setting.



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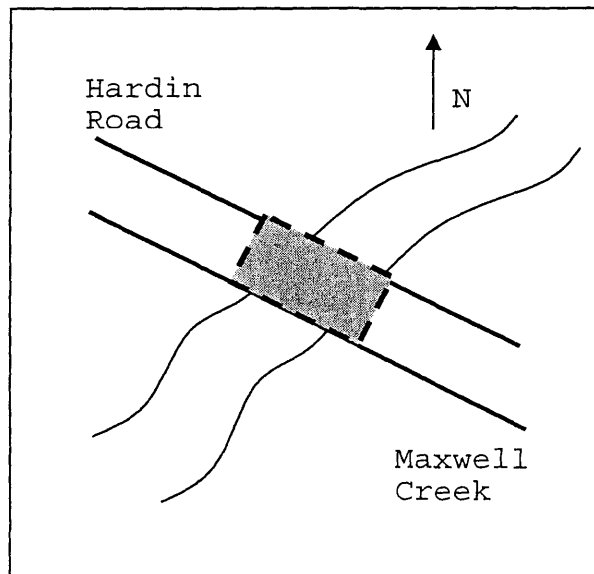
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Sketch Map:



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**Property Owner:**

County of Napa  
1195 Third Street, Room 201  
Napa, CA 94558

**Photographs:**

The accompanying photographs have the following information in common:

Photographer: Stacie Ham. Date of Photographs: October 2004.

Location of original negatives: Napa Landmarks, Inc., 1030 First Street, Napa, CA 94559.

The views of accompanying photographs are as follows:

Photo No. 1

Northeast elevation, facing southwest.

Photo No. 2

Southwest elevation, facing northeast.

Photo No. 3

West abutment of southwest elevation, facing northeast.

Photo No. 4

Plaque on northeast railing facing southwest.

Photo No. 5

Deck, facing northwest.