

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Woodburn Bridge  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Historic Bridges of Mississippi TR  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MISSISSIPPI, Sunflower

DATE RECEIVED: 10/03/88 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 10/18/88  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 11/03/88 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 11/17/88  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 88002492

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 11/16/88 DATE Entered in the  
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_  
REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

count       resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

historic       current

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DESCRIPTION

architectural classification  
 materials  
 descriptive text

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SIGNIFICANCE

Period      Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph  
 completeness  
 clarity  
 applicable criteria  
 justification of areas checked  
 relating significance to the resource  
 context  
 relationship of integrity to significance  
 justification of exception  
 other

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage       verbal boundary description  
 UTMs       boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps       USGS maps       photographs       presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of Bridge: Woodburn Bridge

2. Location

Code 133

County Sunflower USGS Quadrangle Indianola

Town/vicinity Indianola vicinity

UTM coordinates:

Zone 15 Easting 713400 Northing 3696400

Acreage less than one Owner Sunflower County

Verbal boundary description:

Includes the 18 by 398 ft. bridge spanning the Big Sunflower River on the old county road crossing which is on the north side of the present county road crossing in Section 27, Township 18 North, Range 5 West.

3. Description

Number of spans 3 Length overall 398 ft. (121.3 m)

Span types:

(1) (West) Pratt through truss length 90 ft. (27.4 m)

(2) Swing through truss length 228 ft (69.5 m)

(3) (East) Pratt through truss length 80 ft. (24.4 m)

Truss span components:

Top chords 2 channel beams and 1 plate laced together

End posts 2 channel beams and 1 plate laced together

Bottom chords (spans 1 and 3) 2 rectilinear eye-bars  
(span 2) see diagram

Hip verticals (spans 1 and 3) 2 angle bars  
(span 2)

Intermediate posts (spans 1 and 3) 2 channel beams laced together; (span 2) see diagram

Diagonals (spans 1 and 3)-[a] middle panel-1 cylindrical eye-bar, [b] other panels-2 rectilinear eye-bars

Counters

Connections pins

Piers large concrete pier under center of Span 2. others are concrete-filled metal caissons.

Abutments

Condition fair, unpainted

Date of construction ca. 1916

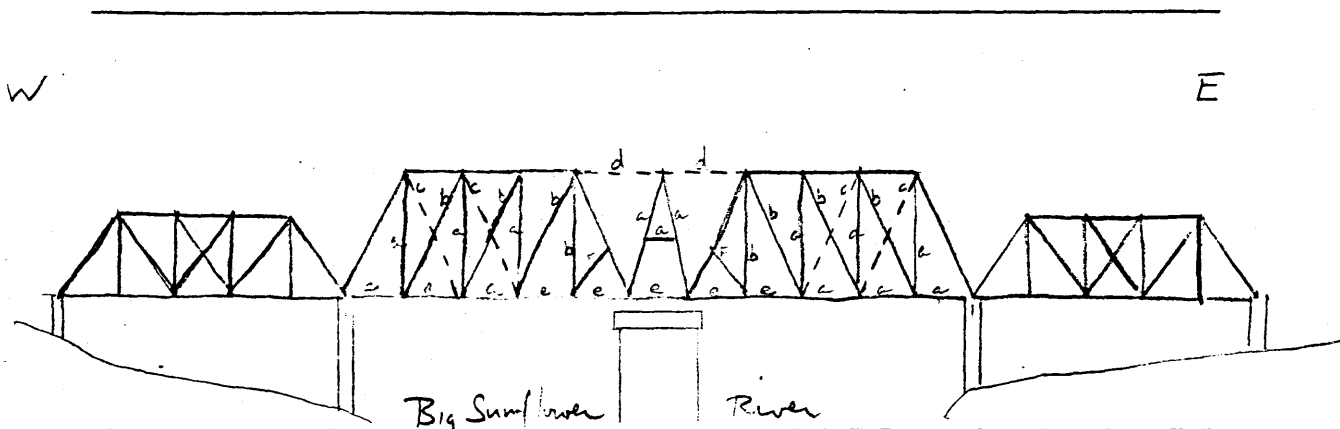
Builder unknown

Source U.S. Corps of Engineers List of Bridges 1927

4. Location of Legal Description

Courthouse, Office of the Chancery Clerk  
Registry of Deeds, etc. Sunflower County Courthouse  
Street & Number: New Courthouse, P. O. Box 988  
City, Town: Indianola State: Mississippi

Profile Sketch



- (a) 2 channel beams laced together
- (b) 2 rectilinear eye-bars
- (c) 1 cylindrical eye-bar
- (d) 4 rectilinear eye-bars
- (e) 2 channel beams and 1 plate. plate is on bottom with lacing on top.
- (f) 2 angle bars.

5. Significance

Level of significance:

Local \_\_\_\_; State x; National \_\_\_\_

Statement of significance:

This bridge consists of one swinging through truss span and two Pratt through truss spans. These spans were commonly used truss types in early 20th century Mississippi. This bridge is significant in that it embodies "the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction." Preserved by agreement with the Sunflower County Board of Supervisors.

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