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7. Description

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

This bridge spans Muddy Creek one mile north and three miles east of Douglass, Kansas. It is 66 feet long and 14.8 feet wide. The deck lies 12 feet above the water level. The spandrel walls extend upward above the roadway to form a low railing. At one time metal pipes were embedded in the concrete to form an additional railing. These no longer exist.

Structurally, the bridge consists of a concrete arch reinforced by steel. The arch springs from and is disposed between reinforced concrete abutments.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—C	heck and justify below		
prehistoric	archeology-prehistoric	community planning	landscape architecture	religion
1400–1499	archeology-historic	conservation	law	science
1500–1599	agriculture	economics	literature	sculpture
1600–1699	architecture	education	military	social/
1700–1799	art	<u>x</u> engineering	music	humanitarian
1800–1899	commerce	exploration/settlement	philosophy	theater
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Specific dates 1910

Builder/Architect R. R. Green, Contractor

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Muddy Creek bridge retains its integrity of location, design, setting, materials, feeling and association. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type and method of construction no longer being used and may yield information important to the history of engineering.

Bids for the bridge were let September 16, 1910 and by December 16, 1910 the <u>Walnut Valley Times</u> was reporting that the bridge was well under way. To that point the bridge, located at Metsker Crossing, had used up to 1100 sacks of cement. That made a total of 150 cubic yards of concrete. The 12 to 15 men employed on the project would require five to six weeks to complete.

Green had completed several contracts in Cowley county but this was his first important one in Butler county and he was trying extra hard to do a good job.

THIS STATEMENT REFLECTS CURRENT KNOWLEDGE AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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