




General area of Travellers Rest
confluence of Bitterroot River &
Lolo Creek is in timber at right-
center of the photo.

Photo by Hennesay (Nov. 1971)



Site of Plaque Installed by
D.A.R. Shown in Photo #2

Site of Highway Sign
Shown in Photo #1



Travelers Rest, Montana

NPS 1975

view of site from north, from farm access road,
trees in background line Tolo Creek



Travelers Rest, Montana

TPS 1975

view of site from north, from farm access road,
only buildings on site can be seen in the
background

TRAVELLER'S REST

The Lewis & Clark Expedition, westward bound, camped at the mouth of Lo Lo Creek Sept. 9-10, 1805. They had been travelling down the Bitter Root Valley and halted here to secure a supply of venison before crossing the mountains to the west via the Lo Lo Pass. They named the spot Traveller's Rest, and it was at this camp that they first learned of the Indian road up Hell Gate leading to the buffalo country east of the main range of the Rockies.

Returning from the coast they again camped here from June 30, 1806 to July 3. When the party divided, Lewis took the Indian "Road to the Buffalo" and after exploring the Marias River descended the Missouri while Clark went via the Big Hole, Beaver Head, Jefferson and Gallatin Valleys and the Yellowstone River.

They reached their rendezvous near the mouth of the Yellowstone within 9 days of each other.

Considering distance and unexplored terrain, they were tolerably punctual.

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View of site from west, from rte 93



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Lewis and Clark

Trail (Montana)

Traveler's Rest Campsite

Near Holo, Montana