

Historic Bridges of the North Fork American River

Interpretive Cheat Sheet

Objective:

To learn about the historic bridges of the North Fork of the American River in the Auburn State Recreation area.

Materials in box:

- Laminated photos of bridges. There are 3 duplicate sets of 8 sheets each, and a 4th set of 7 sheets (missing #4, the first Highway 49 bridge).
- Confluence Self Guided Trail brochure. Pages 6-13 contain photos and history of the bridges.

Interpretation:

- There is a summary sheet titled Historic Bridges of the N. Fork American River.
- There are four historic and two contemporary bridges represented on the summary sheet:

Historic:

1. First Highway 49 bridge (Lyon's Bridge)
 - a. Sheet 1 (description on the reverse side)
 - b. Sheet 4 (additional photos on the reverse side)
 - c. Pages 6 and 9 in the brochure
2. Mountain Quarry Railroad bridge
 - a. Sheet 2 Completed bridge (description on the reverse side)
 - b. Sheet 3 Bridge under construction (description on the reverse side)
 - c. Pages 7 and 8 in the brochure

3. The "Steel" bridge
 - a. Sheet 5
 - b. Page 11 in the brochure
4. Wooden Covered Toll bridge
 - a. Sheet 7
 - b. Page 13 in the brochure

Contemporary:

1. Old and New Foresthill bridges
 - a. Sheet 6
 - b. Pages 10, 11 and 12 in the brochure.
2. Current Highway 49 bridge
 - a. Lower right corner of summary sheet.