

STATE OF OREGON INVENTORY
 HISTORIC SITES AND BUILDINGS
 Oregon State Highway Department, Salem 97310

2. County Coos

Town North Bend, Ore.

Name
 (Common) McCullough Bridge

(Historic) (Same)

Original Use Bridge

Present Use Bridge

Present Owner State of Oregon

Date Sept., 1936 Style Steel cantilever

Source of Date C.B. McCullough Article

Architect _____

Builder NW Roads Co.--concrete
Virginia Bridge & Iron--steel

1. Site/Structure is historically significant to: Town County State Nation

Site/Structure has historical associations with the following themes:

- Aboriginal man Transportation/Communication
- Maritime exploration _____
- Overland exploration Military/Indian Affairs
- Fur trade Government
- Missionary frontier Arts and Sciences
- Oregon Trail migration Religion/Philosophy
- Mining frontier Social/Humanitarian
- Cattlemen's empire movements
- Agriculture Ethnic immigration
- Commerce/Industry Travel/Recreation
- Development town/city Conservation
- Other _____

3. CONDITION: Good Fair Poor Re-sited Altered Restored
 (Site) Open Overgrown Developed Obliterated by _____

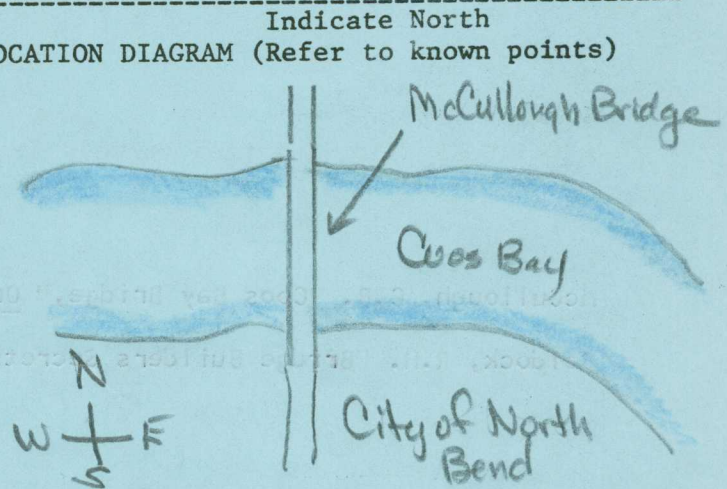
NEIGHBORING LAND USE: Commercial Industrial Residential Blighted Undeveloped

SITE ENDANGERED BY _____ ACCESSIBLE TO PUBLIC: Yes No
 On what basis _____

4. DESCRIPTION 6a + 10b

- Frame: Wood Iron Steel
- Wall cover: Rough-hewn timber
 Lap/Tongue-in-groove siding
 Brick/Stone masonry Concrete Glass
- Stories: Basement 1 2 3 Attic
- Roof: Gable Gambrel Hipped Mansard
 Dormers Cupola Tower Spire Dome
 Other _____
- Chimneys: 1 2 3 4 Stone Brick
- Interior trim:
 Paneling: Milled Carved
 Wainscot Baseboard Chair-rail
- Interior Walls: Boards Brick Plaster
- Ornament: Molded plaster Wood-carved
 Decorative painting _____
- Original: Fixtures Hardware Furniture
- Stairs: Central stair-hall Straight flight
 Geometric Dog-legged Double-return
 Enclosed Wood Iron
- Openings: Regular Irregular
- Attachments: Simple Porch Double Piazza
 One/Two-story portico Veranda(s)
 Side/Center ell Wing(s) Shed
- Outbuildings: Wood shed Bath/Cook house
 Smoke house Carriage house Barn
 Other _____
- Landscaping: Formal Forecourt Informal
- Date executed _____ By _____

5. LOCATION DIAGRAM (Refer to known points)



Road or Highway Highway 101 at Coos Bay

Street and No. _____

Township 25 (S) Range 13 (W) Section 2

Recorded by Stephen Dow Beckham

For OCCDC and State Parks Division

Date 1 Aug. 1974

Photo: Attached

Available _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION (Comment on original condition, alterations, and notable features)

The Coos Bay Bridge, known as McCullough Bridge, was the most costly and southern-most of the highway bridges constructed in the mid-1930's on the Oregon coast. It is a steel cantilever truss bridge 793 feet in length and supported at each end by steel towers. Balancing the cantilever are anchor spans, each 457½ feet long. Total steel work is 708 feet. The towers rise 280 feet above the water. Total bridge length is 5,337 feet; roadway is 27 feet and sidewalks on both sides are 3½ feet wide.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Elaborate on the historical theme circled on front of form)

Project bids were let on July 25, 1934, to Northwest Roads Company for the piers and concrete portions of the bridge. Contract price was \$1,529,438. The Virginia Bridge and Iron Company bid \$593,880 on the steel sections. Work started on July 10, 1934 and was completed in May, 1936. The project employed 250 men at a average weekly payroll of \$7,000.

SOURCES CONSULTED (Existing surveys, publications, records)

McCullough, C.B. "Coos Bay Bridge," Oregon Motorist 16 (May, 1936), p. 7.

Baldock, R.H. "Bridge Builders Secrets," Oregon Motorist 16 (May, 1936), pp. 5-6.

District-Site Boundaries _____

Approximate acreage of site _____

Location of current property title(s) _____

_____ County Assessor's Map No. _____ attached.