# GETTING THERE --->>

#### 1. CAVITT CREEK

From I-5, take Roseburg exit #124, follow Hwy 138 through Roseburg and travel east for 16 miles. Turn right onto Little River Road (County Road #17A & #17C) and travel south for 8 miles. The covered bridge is on the right.

### 2. HORSE CREEK

From I-5, take Myrtle Creek exit #108, cross the river and travel south along Main Street Follow signs to Millsite Park in downtown Myrtle Creek. The covered bridge is located in the park.

# 3. MILO ACADEMY

From I-5, take Canyonville exit #98. Travel east and make a right turn onto Main Street Turn left onto Hwy 227 (Tiller-Trail Hwy). The covered bridge is located on the right at milepost 20.5.

#### 4. NEAL LANE

From I-5, take Myrtle Creek exit #108, cross the river and travel south along Main Street for one-half mile. Turn left onto Riverside Drive (immediately after crossing a short concrete bridge). Travel a short distance and turn right onto the Days Creek Cut-off Road (County Road #42). Drive one-half mile to Neal Lane. The covered bridge is on the left.

# **5. ROCHESTER**

From I-5, take Sutherlin exit #136. Head west on Hwy 138 (Central Avenue) for 1.5 miles. Turn right onto Stearns Lane and drive one-half mile, then turn left onto Rochester Bridge Road. The covered bridge is straight ahead.

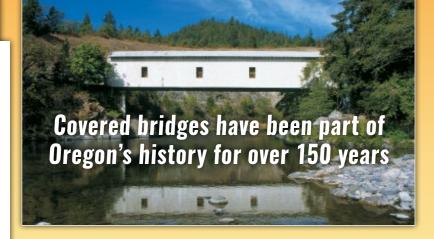
# **6. PASS CREEK**

From I-5, traveling south: Take 1-5 to exit #162 and travel about 7 miles to downtown Drain. Turn left onto East B Avenue, turn right onto North Main Street, then turn right onto East A Avenue. The covered bridge is located behind the Drain Civic Center at 205 East Avenue.

From I-5, traveling north: Take 1-5 to the Yoncalla/Drain exit #150 and travel 8.5 miles on Hwy 99 to downtown Drain. Turn right onto North Main Street, then right onto East A Avenue. The covered bridge is located behind the Drain Civic Center at 205 East A Avenue.

# 7. MOTT BRIDGE

From I-5, take Roseburg exit #124, follow signs to Diamond Lake Blvd/Hwy 138 through Roseburg and travel east on OR-138 E 38.9 miles. Turn right onto NF-4712, the Mott Bridge crosses the North Umpqua River only a few miles past Steamboat Inn.



Oregon has the largest collection of covered bridges in the West and one of the largest in the nation. At one time there were more than 400 covered bridges in the state.

The covered-bridge-building tradition dates back to the 1850s. Simple and practical, the bridges were often constructed from locally-grown wood. Strong and straight Douglas Fir beams were well-suited for the trusses and hardwoods were utilized for the fastenings. House-type structures were constructed over the top of the timber trusses to protect them from the damp western Oregon climate and increase their longevity. The covered bridge blended well into the early economy of the Oregon countryside.

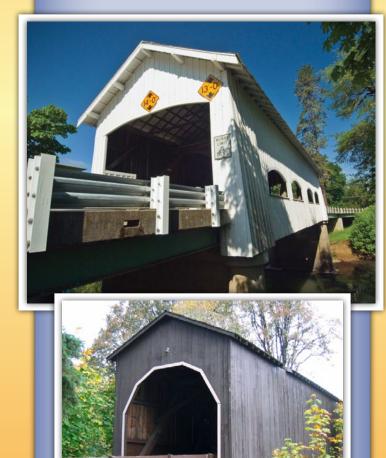
In the 1930s, Oregon was home to over 300 covered bridges. Today, 53 still stand, the largest concentration in the Western United States. The Land of Umpqua is home to several of these surviving historic bridges including: Cavitt Creek, Horse Creek, Milo Academy, Neal Lane, Pass Creek, Rochester and Mott bridges.



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# COVERED BRIDGES IN THE LAND OF UMPQUA

CAVITT CREEK BRIDGE

Was built in 1943 and spans 70 feet, crossing
Little River at its junction with Cavitt Creek.
Raw logs make up the upper supports. The bridge's odd
portal shape was designed to accommodate log trucks.

HORSE CREEK BRIDGE

Built in 1930 in Lane County, it spanned the McKenzie River. This 110-foot bridge was closed in 1968 but found new life in 1990 when it was disassembled and moved to its current site in Myrtle Creek's Millsite Park, where it is used as a footbridge.

MILO ACADEMY BRIDGE
Built in 1962 the bridge spans 100 feet across the South Umpqua River. The bridge is actually made of steel with a housing of wood. The structure was constructed to replace an original covered wooden bridge from 1920. The bridge provides access to the Milo Academy boarding school.

NEAL LANE BRIDGE
This is one of the shortest covered bridges in Oregon at 42 feet. Built in 1939 for \$1000, the bridge is the only one in the state that uses a kingpost truss design. Arched portals, narrow windows and plank flooring add to its rustic charm.

ROCHESTER BRIDGE

Built in 1933 to replace a span built in the 1860s. This elegant 80-foot long bridge has unique side windows with gently-curved tops. Just west of Sutherlin, this bridge spans the Calapooia River.

PASS CREEK BRIDGE
Built in 1925, Pass Creek Bridge replaced a previous covered bridge built in 1906 and was in service until 1981. In 1989, the 61-foot bridge was moved a short distance downstream and rebuilt as a footbridge.

While it's not a covered bridge, it has historical significance. Built in 1935-36 by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), the 237-foot three spandrel arch bridge is the sole survivor of three bridges built with this design in the Pacific Northwest, and is an Oregon Engineering Historic Landmark.