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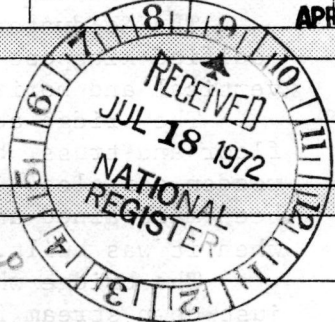
Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Alabama	
COUNTY:	Talladega/Calhoun	
FOR NPS USE ONLY		
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE	
	APR 11 1973	



1. NAME

COMMON:
Coldwater Creek Covered Bridge

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Same

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Spans Coldwater Creek 0.5 mile from I-20

CITY OR TOWN:
Coldwater Community

STATE: Alabama CODE: 01 COUNTY: Talladega/Calhoun CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments Present level of use is severe strain on structure

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Talladega and Calhoun Counties

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: Alabama CODE: 01

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Talladega-Calhoun Counties' Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:
Talladega County Courthouse, Talladega/Calhoun County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Talladega/Anniston STATE: Alabama CODE:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Coldwater Covered Bridge is a one-span structure with a modified kingpost type truss. It is sixty feet long and has a vertical and horizontal clearance of 10 feet.

The bridge abutment is of wooden construction as are the floor and truss, but a tin roof now replaces the original wooden shingles. The bridge which was repaired in 1920 has been maintained and is in appearance substantially as it was when it was built.

The bridge which spans Coldwater Creek, is situated just down stream from the substantial ruins of a large concrete mill dam and old mill. Located approximately one-half mile from a major interstate interchange, it is clearly visible from all four lanes of Interstate Highway 20.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Coldwater Covered Bridge is one of 16 remaining covered bridges in Alabama, a state which as recently as 1930 had approximately 200 of these rustic relics. By 1958 there were only 46 left and the destruction from arson and neglect continued to take its toll.

This transportation landmark, which was built prior to 1850 and possibly as early as 1839, is one of three surviving bridges in the state built in the modified kingpost style.

In 1920 the structure was partially burned after a hunter dropped his torch on the bridge, but it was immediately repaired and rebuilt by Frank Morris, E. A. Walker, and Eli Bynum, as the bridge was the only available transportation across Coldwater Creek.

Covered bridges were first built in the late eighteenth century in the northeastern United States. The bridges were covered chiefly to protect the wooden floor so it would have to be replaced less often. The covering in mountainous areas also prevented easily frightened horses from seeing the rushing water beneath them and provided a haven for weary travelers.

In addition to filling a vital role in transportation many of the covered bridges were toll bridges, providing additional revenue for an area.

The local covered bridge also doubled as a community social center. It was an ideal gathering place for political discussions, gossip or a friendly game of checkers. The beams and rafters were perfect substitutes for the modern "jungle gyms" to occupy the rambunctious children while their parents visited.

The covered bridge often provided a drill for the local militia. Even revival meetings were held at the bridges, and the sidewalls were often plastered with local advertisements. For the romantically inclined, the bridges seemed designed for courting; they were so popular as "sparking" places that they earned the nickname "kissing bridges."

Except for the brief period while the Coldwater Bridge was being repaired it has been in continuous use since its construction, serving as a main transportation artery in Calhoun and Talladega Counties.

The Coldwater Community is making a strong effort to have

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Alabama Covered Bridges" - Alabama Historical Commission
 Personal Accounts: Mrs. Robert Grace, Eastaboga, Alabama

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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SE	° ' "	° ' "				
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than 1 acre (only bridge)

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
Alabama	01	Talladega	121
Alabama	01	Calhoun	015
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 W. Warner Floyd, Executive Director

ORGANIZATION: Alabama Historical Commission

DATE: July 12, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
 305 South Lawrence Street

CITY OR TOWN: Montgomery

STATE: Alabama

CODE: 01

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Milo B. Howard, Jr.

Title: SLC

Date: July 13, 1972

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert W. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 4/11/73

ATTEST:
W. J. [Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: 4 4 73

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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No. 8 SIGNIFICANCE (Continued)

the County Commission construct a new bridge, allowing Coldwater easily accessible from I-20 to be used as a historic and recreational facility.



PROPERTY	Coldwater Creek Covered Bridge, Ala.		STATE	73000333
Working number	7.18.72.1120			
TECH REVIEW	Photos	<u>3</u>	Saladega/Calhoun Co	
	Maps	<u>1</u>		
REVIEW				MDJ 11-3-72
HISTORIAN	<p>Called Warner on this one. Bridge was only partially damaged by 1920 fire? was repaired not rebuilt. They are planning to nominate dam & mill ruins separately later because of local problem. Warner was very enthusiastic about this bridge! Accept</p>			3-2-73 C. Shull
ARCHEOLOGIST	inventoried by HASK 4/2/73			
ARCHITECT				ACCEPT KH 3/19/73
BRANCH CHIEF				OK 4/4/73
EDITORIAL REVIEW				
KEEPER				Wan 4-4
National Register write-up	_____		Acknowledge	<u>7/19/72</u>
Federal Register entry	<u>6-5-73</u>		Send-back	_____
			Re-submit	_____
			Register no.	APR 11 1973



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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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PHOTO CREDIT: Mr. Hurt, Hurt's Photography

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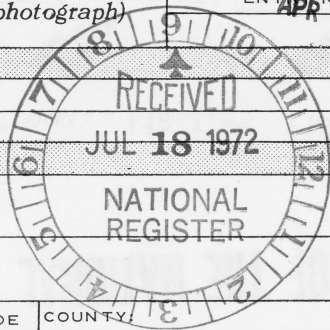
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4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

North Entrance to Bridge





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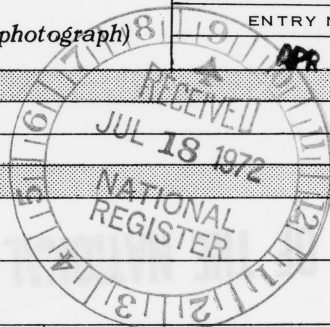
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East View of Bridge (Grist Mill Ruins & Dam in Rear)



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CLEARANCE
VERT 10 FT
HOR 10 FT

WEIGHT
LIMIT
2
TONS

S. VIEW
PROF. PHOTO
5-72

NPS Number 4/11/73

Title: Coldwater Creek Covered Bridge

Loc. Talleysga/Calhoun, Ala.

South View

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and Processed by
Danny Hurt

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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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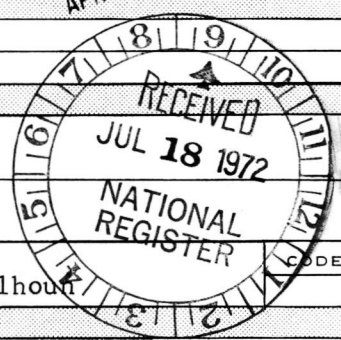
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COUNTY:

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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:

U. S. Geological Survey - 1956

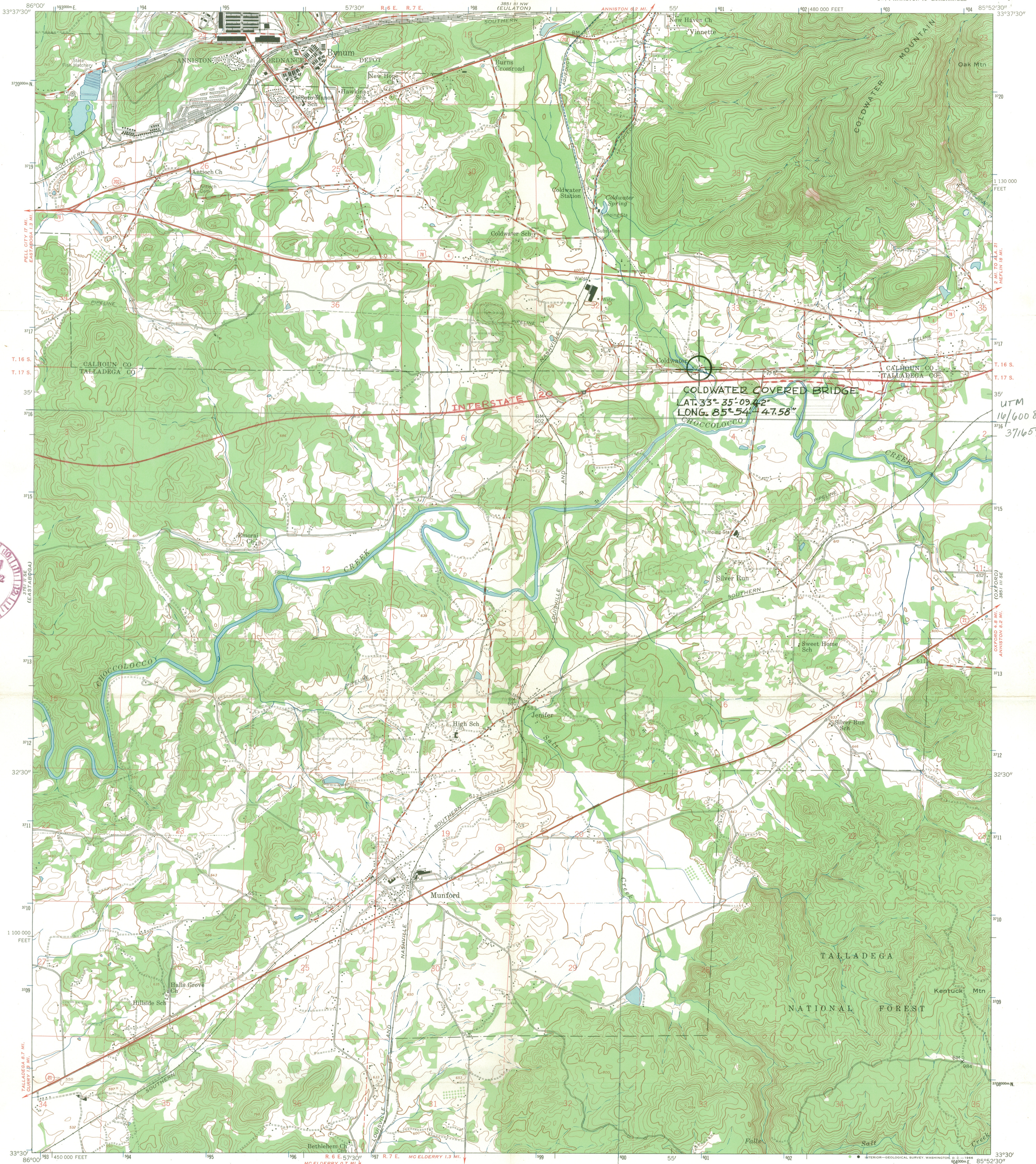
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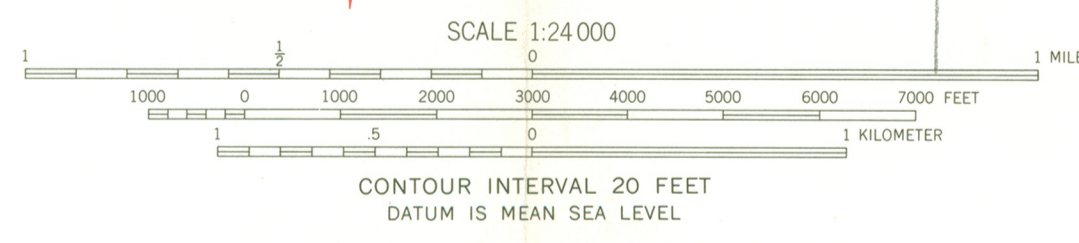
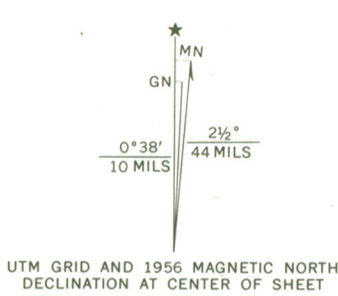
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TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.



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zone 16, shown in blue
Dashed land lines indicate approximate locations
Unchecked elevations are shown in brown



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route

MUNFORD, ALA.
SW/4 ANNISTON 15' QUADRANGLE
N 3330-W 8552.5/7.5

1956
AMS 3851 III SW-SERIES V844

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE ALABAMA

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Magnolia Grove	Greensboro Hale County
Tanglewood	Hale County
Ellicott Stone	Bucks vicinity Mobile County
Coldwater Creek Covered Bridge	Coldwater Community Talladega/Calhoun Counties
Domestic Science Building	Normal Madison County

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