

Sandy Creek (Remote) Covered Bridge

World Guide Number: **37-06-09**

Truss Type: **Howe**

Bridge Length (ft): **60**

Year Built: **1921**

Stream: **Sandy Creek**



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The Sandy Creek covered bridge carried traffic on Oregon Highway 42 until it was bypassed in 1949. The 60-foot span was considered short in comparison to other covered bridges built on Oregon highways. The bridge is strengthened by two crossed Howe truss members on each chord, a rarity in short covered bridges. An additional aspect of the bridge is the use of large-framed windows on both sides of the structure, maximizing the illumination of the bridge interior.

In late 1981, a plan was developed to make a park at the bridge and use the old wooden structure as a covered picnic site. The Myrtle Point Lions Club adopted the bridge as a major project. Work at the site began in 1982 and included a new roof, replacing boards and structural pieces, clearing brush and applying a coat of white paint.

The park was dedicated in 1984 and now includes a tourist information center at the bridge site.

The nearby community of Remote received its name, it is believed, due to its geographic isolation.

(Reference: Roofs Over Rivers, by Bill and Nick Cockrell)

Location:

From Roseburg travel west on Highway 42 approximately 31 miles to Remote. Sandy Creek Bridge is on the north side of Highway 42, 1/4 mile west of the Remote exit.

Latitude: 43°00'22.8"N

Longitude: 123°53'30.3"W