

POINT OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

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County NEVADA

Name FOOTE'S CROSSING

Location A road between Columbia Hill and Alleghany

Historical Significance:

"Foote's Crossing" was built by A. D. Foote in 1913 as an all-season short-cut from Columbia Hill to the mines of the Alleghany area. Foote was president of the Tightner Mine Co., the largest gold producer in the region at that time. The road, a 15 foot shelf hanging on the sheer canyon wall above the Middle Fork of the Yuba River, is a spectacular engineering feat and scenic wonder. The rock walls, built without mortar, are still intact today. Unforeseen difficulties in building the road caused it to far exceed specifications so Foote personally financed 60% of the total cost, the balance being paid by Nevada and Sierra Counties and the U. S. Forest Service.

Ref: Grass Valley Union newfiles; Edmund Kenyon's "The Northern Mines" personal papers of A.D.Foote. Researched by his desc. Marian Foote Conway.

THIS POINT OF HISTORICAL INTEREST IS NOT A STATE REGISTERED HISTORICAL LANDMARK.

RECOMMENDED:

Thomas R. Turner
Signature—Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

APPROVED:

Signature—Chairman, Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee

Date

3-11-75

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