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BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

HAER No. NC-42

Between Shenandoah NP and Great Smoky Mountains NP
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Buncombe County
North Carolina

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- NC-42-1 Milepost 0.06 **U.S. ROUTE 250 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE.** THIS REINFORCED CONCRETE, RIGID FRAME STRUCTURE WAS BUILT IN 1941. ITS RELATIVELY FLAT ARCH PROVIDED MAXIMUM USEFUL CLEARANCE IN A SHORT SPAN AND THE PHYSICS OF THE DESIGN ELIMINATED THE NEED FOR EXTENSIVE ABUTMENTS TO CONTAIN THE THRUST OF TRADITIONAL ARCHES, MAKING IT IDEALLY SUITED AS A GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE. BLRI DESIGNERS MADE EXTENSIVE USE OF THESE BRIDGES FOR CROSSING SMALL STREAMS AND CREEKS, AND GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURES, ORNAMENTING THEM WITH A RUSTIC STONE FACADE. VIEW IS OF THE SOUTH-SOUTHEAST ELEVATION.
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- NC-42-97 Milepost 217.5 **CUMBERLAND KNOB RECREATION AREA. THE VISITOR CONTACT CENTER ORIGINALLY OPENED IN 1941 AS A COMBINED SANDWICH SHOP, PICNIC AREA, AND COMFORT STATION, THE CENTRAL BUILDING OF THE FIRST RECREATION AREA TO OPEN. LOOKING NORTH.**
- NC-42-98 Milepost 217.5 **CUMBERLAND KNOB RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF THE HISTORIC CHESTNUT TIMBER AND STONE TRAIL SHELTER. VIEW TO THE NORTH.**
- NC-42-99 Milepost 222.7 **BIG PINE CREEK BRIDGE #1. THIS CONCRETE SLAB BRIDGE WAS BUILT 1938. IT IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE THE STONE RAILING CONTINUES ACROSS THE BRIDGE. FACING EAST.**
- NC-42-100 Milepost 225.0 **PINE CREEK BRIDGE #7. BUILT IN 1937, THIS WAS THE EARLIEST STEEL GIRDER BRIDGE BUILT ON THE PARKWAY. LOOKING EAST-NORTHEAST.**
- NC-42-101 Milepost 225.0 **PINE CREEK BRIDGE #7. IT IS THE ONLY PARKWAY BRIDGE WITH STEEL ARCH PIERS AND THE ONLY ONE WHOSE PIERS ARE ATTACHED TO ITS FOUNDATIONS WITH STEEL PINS ALLOWING IT TO FLEX WITHOUT DAMAGING THE STRUCTURE. LOOKING NORTHEAST.**
- NC-42-102 Milepost 230.1 **LITTLE GLADE MILL POND. ONE OF THE FEATURE PONDS ALONG THE PARKWAY, THIS MILL POND IS POPULAR FOR PICNICKING. VIEW TO THE WEST-SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-103 Milepost 237.2 **NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 1130 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE AT AIR BELLOWS GAP. ELEVATION VIEW OF CONCRETE SLAB BRIDGE BUILT IN 1937. LOOKING SOUTHEAST.**
- NC-42-104 Milepost 237.2 **NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 1130 GRADE**

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SEPARATION STRUCTURE AT AIR BELLOWS GAP.
DETAIL OF THE STEPPED WINGWALL. LOOKING
SOUTHWEST.

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**NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 1130 GRADE
SEPARATION STRUCTURE AT AIR BELLOWS GAP.
VIEW SHOWING THE ACCESS ROAD FROM THE
PARKWAY.**

NC-42-106 Milepost 241.1

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA
CONCESSION BUILDING. INTERIOR VIEW OF THE
COFFEE SHOP BUILT IN 1948. FACING WEST.**

NC-42-107 Milepost 241.1

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA LODGE.
OPENED IN 1949, THIS WAS THE FIRST LODGE TO
OPEN ON THE PARKWAY. VIEW LOOKING NORTH
ACROSS THE MEADOWS.**

NC-42-108 Milepost 241.1

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA COMFORT
STATION. INSTEAD OF TRYING TO HIDE THIS
BUILDING, IT WAS DECIDED TO LET IT BE SEEN. A
SALT BOX DESIGN REFLECTING A MOUNTAIN
BUILDING WAS CHOSEN, IT HAD A SLOPING SPLIT
SHINGLE ROOF MATCHING THE HILL SIDE WITH A
FRONT PORCH PLACED ON THE LOWER SIDE.**

NC-42-109 Milepost 241.1

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF
ALLIGATOR BACK AND THE PARKWAY SEEN
FROM BLUFF MOUNTAIN. LOOKING WEST.**

NC-42-110 Milepost 241.1

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA TRAIL
SHELTER LIKELY BUILT IN LATE 1930S. LOOKING
SOUTH.**

NC-42-111 Milepost 241.7

**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF
PARKWAY WITH THE ROAD CROSSING
ALLIGATOR BACK. FACING SOUTHEAST.**

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**DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF
ROAD CUT AT ICE CLIFFS. LOOKING EAST-**

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- NC-42-II3 Milepost 242.0 DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. DISTANT VIEW OF ROAD CUT, ROADWAY, AND STONE RAILING AT ICE CLIFFS. LOOKING NORTHEAST.
- NC-42-II4 Milepost 242.2 DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF LAUREL SPRING VALLEY IN DISTANCE, ALLIGATOR BACK, AND OVERLOOK IN FOREGROUND. LOOKING WEST.
- NC-42-II5 Milepost 242.2 DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF ROADWAY ALIGNMENT AROUND ALLIGATOR BACK AND PARKING OVERLOOK IN FOREGROUND.
- NC-42-II6 Milepost 244.0 DOUGHTON PARK RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF THE CHESTNUT POST-AND-RAIL FENCES AND MEADOWS FOR WHICH THE AREA IS REMEMBERED.
- NC-42-I17 Milepost 248.9 LAUREL FORK VIADUCT. ELEVATION VIEW OF THIS 545' 1939 STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT. EXAMPLE OF STRUCTURE WITH PLAIN REINFORCED CONCRETE ARCHES. LOOKING NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-I18 Milepost 248.9 LAUREL FORK VIADUCT. VIEW OF THE CURVING ALIGNMENT OF VIADUCT DECK WITH ITS CONCRETE RAILINGS. LOOKING EAST.
- NC-42-I19 Milepost 254.6 VIEW OF MOUNT JEFFERSON FROM MOUNT JEFFERSON OVERLOOK LOOKING NORTH.
- NC-42-I20 Milepost 271.9 E.B. JEFFRESS RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF STONE-WALLED PEDESTRIAN OVERLOOK AT THE CASCADES, A WATERFALL ON FALLS CREEK. LOOKING SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-I21 Milepost 272.4 E.B. JEFFRESS RECREATIONAL AREA. VIEW OF THE COOL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH ON THE

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LEFT AND THE **JESSIE BROWN CABIN** ON THE FOREGROUND. THE CHURCH WHEN ACQUIRED BY THE PARK SERVICE WAS BEING USED AS A BARN, PROBABLY IT MOST COMMON FUNCTION. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.

NC-42-122 Milepost 286.3

GOSHEN CREEK VIADUCT. THIS STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT, BUILT IN 1949, IS THE ONLY VIADUCT WITH SOLID, STONE-FACED, CONCRETE REINFORCED PIERS. VIEW FACING NORTH-NORTHEAST.

NC-42-123 Milepost 286.3

GOSHEN CREEK VIADUCT. VIEW SHOWING THE CURVILINEAR ALIGNMENT OF THE VIADUCT, ITS STEEL RAILINGS, AND STONE FACED ABUTMENTS. LOOKING NORTHEAST.

NC-42-124 Milepost 294.0

MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL PARK. VIEW OF THE **FLAT TOP MANOR PORCH**, CARRIAGE ROAD, AND PASTURE. VIEW LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.

NC-42-125 Milepost 294.0

MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL PARK. VIEW OF **CARRIAGE TRAIL** AND FLAT TOP MOUNTAIN FROM CONE CEMETERY. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHEAST.

NC-42-126 Milepost 294.0

MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL PARK. VIEW OF BARBED WIRE FENCE ALONG **CARRIAGE TRAIL** WITH A CONCRETE BOX CULVERT FOR THE CARRIAGE TRAIL IN THE BACKGROUND. IT IS THE ONLY CULVERT ON THE PARKWAY WITH THE STONE VENEER FINISHED WITH A ROMAN ARCH. IT WAS CONSTRUCTED IN 1960. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHEAST.

NC-42-127 Milepost 294.0

MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL PARK. VIEW OF THE **FLAT TOP MANOR** FROM THE **BASS LAKE** CARRIAGE ROAD. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHWEST.

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- NC-42-128 Milepost 294.0 MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL PARK. VIEW OF THE STONE FACED BRIDGE ON THE BASS LAKE CARRIAGE TRAIL. FACING WEST.
- NC-42-129 Milepost 296.7 **JULIAN PRICE MEMORIAL PARK. PRICE LAKE DAM.** A CONCRETE SLAB BRIDGE CROSSES THE TOP OF THE DAM IMPOUNDING A FORTY-SEVEN-ACRE LAKE. LOOKING WEST.
- NC-42-130 Milepost 296.7 JULIAN PRICE MEMORIAL PARK. FORTY-SEVEN ACRE **JULIAN PRICE LAKE** CREATED BY AN IMPOUNDMENT. LOOKING WEST.
- NC-42-131 Milepost 303.0 **GREAT WALL OF CHINA.** THIS IS A LARGE STONE RETAINING WALL BUILT TO SUPPORT THE PARKWAY AROUND ROUGH RIDGE ON GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN. LINN COVE VIADUCT VISIBLE IN THE DISTANCE. LOOKING WEST-NORTHEAST..
- NC-42-132 Milepost 303.0 VIEW OF GREAT WALL OF CHINA RETAINING WALL AND UNNAMED VIADUCT ON GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN. VIADUCT COMPLETED IN 1987. LOOKING NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-133 Milepost 303.0 VIEW OF ROCK CUT AT BASE OF ROUGH RIDGE AND ROADWAY CROSSING UNNAMED VIADUCT ON GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN WITH THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA SUPPORTING THE CURVE IN THE DISTANCE. LOOKING SOUTHEAST.
- NC-42-134 Milepost 303.7 **WILSON CREEK BRIDGE #3.** PART OF THIS BRIDGE IS Poured DIRECTLY ON ROCK SLIDE AND PART A CONCRETE BOX GIRDER. LOOKING WEST-SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-135 Milepost 303.7 **WILSON CREEK BRIDGE #3.** VIEW UNDERNEATH CONCRETE BOX GIRDER SECTION OF BRIDGE. LOOKING NORTHEAST.

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- NC-42-136 Milepost 304.0 **LINN COVE VIADUCT. THIS IS THE FIRST PRECAST CONCRETE SEGMENTAL VIADUCT TO BE BUILT WITH THE PROGRESSIVE METHOD IN THE UNITED STATES. IT CONTAINS NEARLY EVERY TYPE OF HIGHWAY GEOMETRY WITHIN ITS LENGTH. WITH ITS SUPERELEVATION OF UP TO TEN DEGREES AND ITS TIGHT HORIZONTAL AND SPIRAL CURVES, IT WAS THE MOST COMPLICATED BRIDGE OF ITS TYPE BUILT TO THAT TIME. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-137 Milepost 304.0 **LINN COVE VIADUCT. PLACEMENT OF ITS FOUNDATIONS WERE DETERMINED BY THE LOCATION OF THE NUMEROUS BOULDERS ITS BUILT AROUND. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-138 Milepost 304.0 **LINN COVE VIADUCT. VIEW OF THE TANAWHA TRAIL AND UNDERNEATH OF THE VIADUCT. SHAPE OF THE PIERS WAS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE AESTHETIC SENSE OF LIGHT AND SHADOW. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHEAST.**
- NC-42-139 Milepost 304.0 **LINN COVE VIADUCT. UNDERNEATH VIEW OF THE VIADUCT SHOWING PLACEMENT OF PIERS AMONGST GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN'S BOULDERS. LOOKING NORTH.**
- NC-42-140 Milepost 304.0 **LINN COVE CONTACT STATION. CENTER OPENED IN 1987 TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE LINN COVE VIADUCT. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHEAST.**
- NC-42-141 Milepost 305.2 **VIEW OF GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN IN THE DISTANCE WITH COWS ON AN AGRICULTURAL LEASE IN THE FOREGROUND.**
- NC-42-142 Milepost 312.1 **NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 181 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE. THIS SINGLE SPAN, REINFORCED CONCRETE, ELLIPTICAL, SPANDREL ARCH STRUCTURE, BUILT IN 1959, IS ON A SLIGHT**

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SKEW AS IT PASSES OVER THE PARKWAY ACCOUNTING FOR ITS WIDE SPAN OF 80'. IT IS ONE OF THE FEW STRUCTURES TO PASS OVER THE PARKWAY. THIS VIEW OF THE ELEVATION IS TO THE NORTH.

- NC-42-143 Milepost 312.1 **NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 181 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE. DETAIL OF THE ARCH STONES. VIEW IS EAST-SOUTHEAST.**
- NC-42-144 Milepost 315.2 **CAMP CREEK BRIDGE. VIEW OF THE ROAD DECK SHOWING THE STONE-FACED GUARD RAILS AND THE GRASS SHOULDERS CONTINUING ACROSS THE BRIDGE. LOOKING EAST-SOUTHEAST.**
- NC-42-145 Milepost 315.2 **CAMP CREEK BRIDGE. THIS IS A ROMAN SPANDREL ARCH BRIDGE BUILT IN 1939. VIEW SHOWS THE STONE ARCH STONES AND THE STONE FACING ON THE HEADWALL AND WINGWALL. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHWEST.**
- NC-42-146 Milepost 316.4 **LINVILLE FALLS CONTACT STATION. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A NEW CONTACT STATION WITH COMFORT STATION. IT WAS BUILT IN 1984. LOOKING SOUTH.**
- NC-42-147 Milepost 316.4 **LINVILLE FALLS RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF LINVILLE FALLS FROM CASTLE VIEW LOOKING NORTHWEST.**
- NC-42-148 Milepost 316.4 **LINVILLE FALLS RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF LINVILLE FALLS FROM ERWIN'S VIEW LOOKING WEST.**
- NC-42-149 Milepost 316.6 **LINVILLE FALLS RECREATION AREA. THE 309' LINVILLE RIVER BRIDGE IS THE PARKWAY'S LARGEST STONE-FACED BRIDGE. THIS TRIPLE SPAN BRIDGE, BUILT IN 1940, IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SPANDREL ARCH BRIDGE WITH ROMAN ARCHES. LOOKING SOUTH.**

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- NC-42-150 Milepost 316.6 LINVILLE FALLS RECREATION AREA. THE **LINVILLE RIVER BRIDGE** IS THE ONLY SPAN TO HAVE THE INTRADII OR UNDERSIDE OF THE ARCHES FACED IN STONE. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-151 Milepost 316.6 LINVILLE FALLS RECREATION AREA. DETAIL OF THE DIAMOND SHAPED CUTWATERS OF THE **LINVILLE RIVER BRIDGE**. LOOKING SOUTH.
- NC-42-152 Milepost 316.6 LINVILLE RIVER RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF THE DECK, SIDEWALKS, AND STONE GUARDRAILS OF THE **LINVILLE RIVER BRIDGE** LOOKING SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-153 Milepost 317.6 VIEW OF CULVERT RUNNING UNDER THE U.S. **ROUTE 221** INTERCHANGE LOOKING SOUTHWEST..
- NC-42-154 Milepost 317.6 VIEW OF THE U.S. **ROUTE 221** GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE AND ADJACENT CULVERT LOOKING SOUTHEAST. THIS RIGID FRAME SPAN WAS BUILT IN 1940.
- NC-42-155 Milepost 319.8 **HUMPBACK MOUNTAIN VIADUCT**. THIS STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT, BUILT IN 1940, HAS THE UNUSUAL FEATURE OF SOLID CONCRETE RAILINGS. VIEW SHOWS THE STEEL PIERS BUILT UPON A VERY STEEP SLOPE. LOOKING SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-156 Milepost 319.8 **HUMPBACK MOUNTAIN VIADUCT**. VIEW SHOWS THE STONE FACED ABUTMENT. DUE TO THE SKEW OF THE ABUTMENT, IT DOUBLES AS A FOUNDATION FOR ONE OF THE PIERS. LOOKING SOUTH.
- NC-42-157 Milepost 326.0 VIEW OF **HEFNER OVERLOOK** LOOKING EAST.
- NC-42- 158 Milepost 330.9 VIEW OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MINERALS

MUSEUM.

- NC-42-159 Milepost 342.2 **VIEW OF THE BLACK MOUNTAINS AND MOUNT MITCHELL LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-160 Milepost 342.2 **VIEW OF THE BLACK MOUNTAINS AND MOUNT MITCHELL LOOKING SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-161 Milepost 344.4 **NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 80 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE. THE STRUCTURE AT BUCK CREEK GAP, BUILT IN 1942, HAS A CLEAR SPAN OF 139'. BOTH THE ROADWAY RUNNING ATOP AND UNDER THE STRUCTURE HAVE A CURVING ALIGNMENT.**
- NC-42-162 Milepost 344.5 **TWIN TUNNELS. CLOSE UP VIEW OF SOUTH PORTAL ON NORTH TUNNEL. THIS TUNNEL IS ONE OF THE FEW LEFT WITH A NATURAL ROCKFACE. FACING NORTH.**
- NC-42-163 Milepost 344.5 **TWIN TUNNELS. VIEW OF THE SOUTH PORTAL OF THE NORTH TUNNEL AND THE RIDGE THROUGH WHICH IT PASSES. FACING NORTH.**
- NC-42-164 Milepost 344.5 **TWIN TUNNELS. VIEW OF THE SOUTH PORTAL OF THE NORTH TUNNEL FROM INSIDE THE FINISHED NORTH PORTAL OF THE SOUTH TUNNEL LOOKING NORTH.**
- NC-42-165 Milepost 347.1 **BIG LAUREL MOUNTAIN VIADUCT. THIS STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT WAS BUILT IN 1976. SINCE IT IS NOT VISIBLE FROM OTHER SECTIONS OF THE PARKWAY, THE STONE FACING ON THE RAILING DOES NOT COVER THE OUTSIDE OF THE RAILING. LOOKING SOUTH.**
- NC-42-166 Milepost 347.1 **BIG LAUREL MOUNTAIN VIADUCT. VIEW OF THE STEEP SLOPE UPON WHICH THE STEEL PIER IS BUILT. THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS VIADUCT ELIMINATED EITHER A LARGE SCAR OF FILL,**

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HELPING TO PRESERVE THE MOUNTAINSIDE.
FACING NORTH.

- NC-42-167 Milepost 364.0 **Craggy Pinnacle Tunnel. View of the east portal and the stone road drain. The finished portal actually extend beyond the end of the tunnel. Facing west-southwest.**
- NC-42-168 Milepost 364.5 **Craggy Gardens Visitor Center. View of the rock retaining wall outside the women's restroom to the northeast.**
- NC-42-169 Milepost 364.5 **View of the Craggy Gardens Visitor Center, opened in 1952, Craggy Gardens Overlook and Craggy Pinnacle in the background to the north.**
- NC-42-170 Milepost 364.5 **View of large trail shelter built for the United States Forest Service by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1938 on Craggy Knob. Facing northwest.**
- NC-42-171 Milepost 365.0 **View of the Craggy Flats Tunnel, roadway retaining wall, and road cut facing south-southwest.**
- NC-42-172 Milepost 365.3 **View of the Craggy Flats Tunnel with a guiderail and road cut visible in the foreground. Facing south.**
- NC-42-173 Milepost 365.5 **Craggy Flats Tunnel. Detail of the stone facing on the north portal. Looking southwest.**
- NC-42-174 Milepost 367.5 **View of the spur road to the Craggy Gardens Picnic Area. Facing west.**
- NC-42-175 Milepost 372.0 **View of the Pinnacle Lake Overlook.**

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EXAMPLE OF LOCATION WHERE DESIGNERS PLACED AN OVERLOOK ON THE OUTSIDE OF A CURVE INSTEAD OF LEAVING THE REMNANTS OF A ROCK CUT VISIBLE. VIEW TO THE SOUTH.

- NC-42-176 Milepost 382.4 **U.S. ROUTE 70 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE.** THIS SINGLE-SPAN STRUCTURE, BUILT IN 1964, IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE PARKWAY CROSSING OVER A FOUR-LANE UNDIVIDED HIGHWAY. AN ELLIPTICAL SPANDREL ARCH WAS USED TO ALLOW FOR MORE VERTICAL CLEARANCE OVER THE ROADWAY. FACING EAST-SOUTHEAST.
- NC-42-177 Milepost 382.4 **U.S. ROUTE 70 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE.** DETAIL OF THE STONE FACING. NOTICE IT IS THICKER AT THE BASE THAN AT THE TOP. FACING NORTH-NORTHEAST.
- NC-42-178 Milepost 383.1 **SWANNANOA RIVER BRIDGE.** THIS CONCRETE BOX GIRDER BRIDGE, BUILT IN 1966, CROSSES BOTH THE SWANNANOA RIVER, NORFOLK & SOUTHERN RAILROAD, AND INTERSTATE 40. BRIDGE IS SIGNIFICANT FOR ITS S-SHAPE. VIEW TO THE SOUTH.
- NC-42-179 Milepost 391.7 **INTERSTATE ROUTE 26 VIADUCT.** THIS STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT, BUILT IN 1966, IS TYPICAL OF MANY HIGHWAY STRUCTURES EXCEPT FOR THE HEIGHT OF ITS PIERS. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHEAST.
- NC-42-180 Milepost 393.3 **FRENCH BROAD RIVER BRIDGE.** THIS 10 SPAN, 925' CONCRETE BOX GIRDER BRIDGE, BUILT IN 1967, ALSO CROSSES NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 191. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHEAST.
- NC-42-181 Milepost 393.3 **FRENCH BROAD RIVER BRIDGE.** THIS BRIDGE IS STRAIGHT EXCEPT FOR TO SMALL CURVES AT ITS SOUTHERN APPROACH. LOOKING NORTHEAST.

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- NC-42-182 Milepost 408.6 **MOUNT PISGAH INN.** THIS HAS BEEN THE SITE OF A CONCESSIONAIRES SINCE 1919. THE FIRST SECTION OF THE PRESENT INN WAS COMPLETED IN 1965. LOOKING WEST-SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-183 Milepost 415.7 **VIEW OF THE MOUNTAIN TO SEA TRAIL** AS IT PASSES THROUGH CHERRY COVE. LOOKING SOUTH.
- NC-42-184 Milepost 417.8 **VIEW OF THE PARKWAY ALIGNMENT.** FACING SOUTH.
- NC-42-185 Milepost 418.0 **VIEW OF THE EAST FORK OVERLOOK** AND ITS MASSIVE ROCK CUT. LOOKING NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-186 Milepost 418.3 **CLOSEUP VIEW OF ROCK CUT AT EAST FORK OVERLOOK.** LOOKING NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-187 Milepost 418.8 **VIEW OF THE POPULAR GRAVEYARD FIELDS** AND THE SHINING ROCK WILDERNESS IN THE BACKGROUND. THIS IS A POPULAR ACCESS POINT TO GRAVEYARD FIELDS IN THE SHINING ROCK WILDERNESS AND THE UPPER AND LOWER FALLS OF THE EAST FORK. FACING NORTH-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-188 Milepost 420.4 **VIEW OF ROADWAY CURVING THROUGH A ROCK CUT AT SPLIT ROCKS** LOOKING WEST-SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-189 Milepost 422.4 **DEVIL'S COURTHOUSE OVERLOOK.** VIEW OF THE PARKING AREA FROM THE LOOKOUT AT THE TOP OF DEVIL'S COURTHOUSE LOOKING TO THE NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-190 Milepost 422.4 **DEVIL'S COURTHOUSE OVERLOOK.** VIEW TO THE SOUTH-SOUTHWEST FROM THE LOOKOUT AT THE TOP OF DEVIL'S COURTHOUSE.
- NC-42-191 Milepost 429.3 **VIEW OF THE ROADWAY PASSING AROUND A ROCKFACE.** LOOKING NORTH.

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- NC-42-192 Milepost 431.4 VIEW OF THE **RICHLAND BALSAM MOUNTAIN OVERLOOK**. THIS IS THE HIGHEST ELEVATION, 6,047', ON THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY. LOOKING WEST-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-193 Milepost 449.0 VIEW FROM THE **SCOTT CREEK OVERLOOK** TO THE WEST-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-194 Milepost 451.2 **WATERROCK KNOB OVERLOOK**. VIEW OF THE COMFORT STATION IN 1996 BEFORE BEING ENCLOSED DURING RENOVATIONS. THIS STRUCTURE WAS ORIGINALLY BUILT IN 1967. FACING NORTH-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-195 Milepost 451.2 VIEW OF THE **WATERROCK KNOB OVERLOOK** PARKING AREA FROM THE WATERROCK KNOB TRAIL LOOKING SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-196 Milepost 455.1 VIEW OF ROAD PAVING EQUIPMENT AT **THUNDER STRUCK RIDGE OVERLOOK**. FACING SOUTH.
- NC-42-197 Milepost 455.7 VIEW OF TOURIST ATTRACTIONS OFF THE PARKWAY AT **SOCO GAP** OVERLOOKING MAGGIE VALLEY. FACING WEST-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-198 Milepost 455.7 VIEW OF **ENTRY SIGN** AT SOCO GAP. THIS FIRST SIGN WAS FIRST DESIGNED IN 1949. FACING EAST-NORTHEAST.
- NC-42-199 Milepost 458.2 **HEINTOOGA SPUR ROAD (MILE 1.3)**, VIEW FROM THE **MILE HIGH OVERLOOK** LOOKING NORTH-NORTHWEST.
- NC-42-200 Milepost 458.2 **HEINTOOGA SPUR ROAD (MILE 3.6)**, VIEW OF THE **MASONIC MARKER** BUILT WITH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LODGES OF EVERY STATE. LOOKING SOUTHWEST.
- NC-42-201 Milepost 458.2 **HEINTOOGA SPUR ROAD (MILE 4.9)**, VIEW OF

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ROAD CUTS ALONG ROADWAY. LOOKING SOUTH.

- NC-42-202 Milepost 458.2 **HEINTOOGA SPUR ROAD (MILE 9), VIEW OF COMFORT STATION. LOOKING SOUTH.**
- NC-42-203 Milepost 458.7 **LICKSTONE RIDGE TUNNEL. ALL BUT THREE OF THE TUNNELS HAVE A MINIMUM HEIGHT OF 13', WHICH ACCOMMODATES MOST LARGE RECREATIONAL VEHICLES. THIS TUNNEL HAS THE LOWEST CLEARANCE AT 11'-3".**
- NC-42-204 Milepost 463.9 **VIEW OF THE THOMAS DIVIDE OVERLOOK AND ITS FRAMED VIEW LOOKING TO THE NORTHWEST.**
- NC-42-205 Milepost 476.9 **VIEW OF THE RAVEN FORK OVERLOOK WITH ITS UNUSUAL DOUBLE CRESCENT DESIGN. LOOKING SOUTHWEST.**
- NC-42-206 Milepost 468.6 **BIG WITCH ROAD GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE. THIS CONCRETE BOX CULVERT, BUILT IN 1950, IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE CULVERT'S CONCRETE BOTTOM EXTENDS BEYOND THE STRUCTURE TO THE ENDS OF ITS PERPENDICULAR WINGWALLS. FACING NORTHEAST.**
- NC-42-207 Milepost 469.0 **OCONALUFTEE RIVER BRIDGE IS THE SOUTHERN TERMINUS OF THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY. IT IS A CONCRETE GIRDER BRIDGE COMPLETED IN 1957. IT IS THE ONLY CONCRETE GIRDER BRIDGE WITH STONE-FACED PIERS. LOOKING EAST-SOUTHEAST.**
- NC-42-208 Milepost ????? **Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
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SEVERAL OF THESE CHECKING STATIONS, ERECTED FOR FEE-COLLECTION PURPOSES BUT NEVER AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE AS SUCH, WERE CONSTRUCTED ON THE PARKWAY IN THE**

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1950S. THEY PROVIDED INFORMATION ON AREA ACCOMMODATIONS. LOCATIONS INCLUDED ROCKFISH VALLEY, ADNEY GAP, NORTH AND SOUTH OF ROANOKE, ASHEVILLE NEAR BILTMORE, AND BY THE OCONALUFTEE RIVER. ALL WERE REMOVED BY THE 1980S, AFTER CARS RAN INTO TWO STRUCTURES AND DEMOLISHED THEM. THE ISLANDS WHERE THESE WERE LOCATED ARE NOW USED FOR "PILLAR OF TRUTH" INFORMATION DISPLAYS.

- NC-42-209 Milepost ?????? Photocopy of negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
PARKWAY RANGER FORCE WITH PATROL VEHICLES.
- NC-42-210 Milepost ?????? Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
J.K. Hillers, Photographer, 1940.
VIEW OF THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY IN VIRGINIA.
- NC-42-211 Milepost ?????? Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
J.K. Hillers, Photographer, 1940.
VIEW OF THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY IN VIRGINIA.
- NC-42-212 Milepost ?????? Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
J.K. Hillers, Photographer, 1940.
VIEW OF THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY IN VIRGINIA.
- NC-42-213 Milepost 0.06 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)

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- Rowe, Photographer, September 1948
VIEW OF GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE AT
ROCKFISH GAP WITH THE SWANNANOA ARCH
VISIBLE TO THE RIGHT.
- NC-42-214 Milepost 37.4 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive,
Asheville, North Carolina)
Rowe, Photographer, 1952
VIEW OF GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE AT
IRISH GAP OVER **VIRGINIA ROUTE 605**. THIS
SINGLE SPAN STRUCTURE, BUILT IN 1950, IS A
GOOD EXAMPLE OF A RIGID-FRAME GRADE
SEPARATION OVER A SECONDARY STATE ROAD.
IT WAS CONSTRUCTED OF REINFORCED
CONCRETE WITH A 24" TO 48" THICK STONE
VENEER.
- NC-42-215 Milepost 92.2 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive,
Asheville, North Carolina)
Rowe, Photographer, 1952.
VIEW OF **PURGATORY MOUNTAIN** FROM THE
PARKWAY.
- NC-42-216 Milepost 124.4 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive,
Asheville, North Carolina)
Jack Boucher, Photographer, May 1952.
CONSTRUCTION OF THE **BACK CREEK BRIDGE**
OVER BACK CREEK AND VIRGINIA ROUTE 613.
THIS IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF A PRECAST
CONCRETE GIRDER BRIDGE. NOTE THE FALLEN
BEAM AT THE FAR END.
- NC-42-217 Milepost 149-50 Photocopy of 2-3/4x4-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway
Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
W.D.S., Photographer, October 11, 1937.
VIEW OF THE PARKWAY AT **KELLY CURVE**
BEFORE IT WAS PAVED AND THE SHOULDERS
SEEDED.
- NC-42-218 Milepost 149-50 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive,

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Photographer and date unknown.

**TRADITIONAL FARMING PRACTICES BEING
CONTINUED BESIDE THE PARKWAY.**

- NC-42-219 No Milepost Photocopy of 3-1/2x5-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
L.M. Hariss, Photographer, April 17, 1935.
**MODEL OF STONE MASONRY FOR A DOUBLE BOX
CULVERT.**
- NC-42-220 Milepost 150.0 Photocopy of 2-3/4x4-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
F.M.W., Photographer, December 13, 1936.
**VIEW OF THE DOUBLE CONCRETE BOX CULVERT
AT PAYNE CREEK. NOTE THAT THE STONE
FACING IS VERY SIMILAR TO THE MODEL IN
PHOTO NC-42-220. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A TYPE
2 HEADWALL.**
- NC-42-221 Milepost 154.5 Photocopy of 5x7" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Rowe, Photographer, 1952.
**VIEW ENTERING SMART VIEW. NOTE THE
UNIQUE SNAKE RAIL FENCE. THE POND WAS A
MANIPULATED LANDSCAPE ELEMENT.**
- NC-42-222 Milepost 176.2 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
J.K. Hillers, Photographer, 1937.
**VIEW OF THE MABRY GRIST AND SAW MILL
BEFORE THE NPS DREDGED THE POND AND
RAZED THE MABRY HOUSE IN 1947, REPLACING IT
WITH THE MATHEWS CABIN IN 1956-57.**
- NC-42-223 Milepost 179.3 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
E.H.A., Photographer, November 1938.
ROUND MEADOW VIADUCT UNDER

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CONSTRUCTION.

- NC-42-224 Milepost 179.3 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
ROUND MEADOW VIADUCT COMPLETED.
- NC-42-225 Milepost 188.8 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Rowe, Photographer, 1952.
VIEW OF THE "THE FENCES" GUNBOARD AT GROUNDHOG MOUNTAIN OVERLOOK.
- NC-42-226 Milepost 216-28 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
W.D.S., Photographer, July 23, 1936.
EARLY CONSTRUCTION ON SECTION 2-A-1. THIS WAS THE SITE OF THE FIRST CONSTRUCTION ON THE BLUE RIDE PARKWAY.
- NC-42-227 Milepost 224.7 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
J.E.V., Photographer, 1940.
BIG PINE CREEK BRIDGE #6, BUILT IN 1937, WITH ITS OLD WOODEN RAILINGS.
- NC-42-228 Milepost 225.0 Photocopy of 3-1/2x5-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
E.H.A., Photographer, May 18, 1937.
BIG PINE CREEK BRIDGE #7 COST APPROXIMATELY \$45,000 TO COMPLETE.
- NC-42-229 Milepost 235-36 Photocopy of 5x7" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
PARKWAY ROAD CUT NEAR DEVIL'S GARDEN.
- NC-42-230 Milepost 237-48 Photocopy of 2-1/2x3-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Pease, Photographer, date unknown.

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CCC CAMP NP-21 WAS ESTABLISHED AT THE BLUFFS (DOUGHTON PARK) LOCATED ON WHAT IS NOW THE DOUGHTON PARK MAINTENANCE AREA. IT OPENED SEPTEMBER 1, 1938 AND WAS ABANDONED JULY 17, 1942. CREWS WERE ASSIGNED TO THE FIRST LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT ON THE PARKWAY IN THE CUMBERLAND KNOB AREA. THIS WORK ENTAILED REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AND DOWNED WOOD, SLOPE FLATTENING AND ROUNDING, SEEDING SHOULDERS AND PLANTING ALONG THE ROAD, AND IMPROVEMENT OF FIELDS AND FOREST TO THE SIDE OF THE ROADWAY.

- NC-42-231 Milepost 237-48 Photocopy of 2-3/4x4-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
CCC CREWS LOADING A LARGE TREE FOR TRANSPLANTING.
- NC-42-232 Milepost 241.1 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
T.W. Kines, Photographer, August 7, 1950.
VIEW OF THE DOUGHTON PARK AREA GAS STATION AND SANDWICH SHOP.
- NC-42-233 Milepost 241.1 Photocopy of negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
VIEW OF PICNICKERS AT PICNIC AREA IN DOUGHTON PARK.
- NC-42-234 Milepost 237-48 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
T.W. Kines, Photographer, August 7, 1950.
VIEW SHOWING A STONE WALL AND SNAKE FENCE REINFORCING THE PARKWAY'S CURVILINEAR ALIGNMENT. VIEW FROM STATION

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- NC-42-235 Milepost 241.7 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
T.W. Kines, Photographer, August 7, 1950.
VIEW OF THE PARKWAY FROM STATION 136,
SECTION 2-C.
- NC-42-236 Milepost 282-89 Photocopy of 2-1/2x3-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer and date unknown.
RECONNAISSANCE REPORT PHOTOGRAPH, USED IN THE EARLY 1930S, OF NORTH CAROLINA LANDSCAPE BEFORE DETERMINATION OF THE ROADWAY ALIGNMENT. STANLEY ABBOTT REALIZED THAT MAPS AND PLAN DRAWINGS WOULD MEAN LITTLE TO HIS SUPERVISORS WHO WERE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE REGION AND CHOSE PHOTOGRAPHS TO COMMUNICATE ROUTE ALTERNATIVES. ON THE PHOTO WOULD BE A DASHED WHITE LINE TO INDICATE THE PROPOSED ROUTE. ABBOTT'S WRITTEN REPORTS INCLUDED A WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE REGION AND A SUGGESTION OF THE ACREAGES NECESSARY TO CREATE THE PARKWAY, SERVING AS AN INITIATION TO FIELD TRIPS WITH BPR ENGINEERS AND INTERIOR AND NPS OFFICIALS.
- NC-42-237 Milepost 291.9 Photocopy of 2-1/2x3-1/2" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Photographer unknown, Photo taken December 20, 1934.
ORIGINAL GRADE SEPARATION ON THE MOSES CONE ESTATE FOR A CARRIAGE TRAIL CROSSING OVER THE YONAHLOSSEE TRAIL, NOW DESIGNATED U.S. 221.
- NC-42-238 Milepost 316.5 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
Rowe, Photographer, June 1946.

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**PUBLICITY PHOTO OF THE LINVILLE RIVER
BRIDGE.**

- NC-42-239 Milepost 344.4 Photocopy of 4x5" negative (Blue Ridge Parkway Archive, Asheville, North Carolina)
E.H.A., Photographer, September 10, 1942.
**GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE OVER NORTH
CAROLINA ROUTE 80 AT BUCK CREEK GAP.**
- NC-42-240 Milepost 349.0 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
T.W. Kines, Photographer, September 1951.
**SOUTH PORTAL OF THE ROUGH RIDGE TUNNEL,
EXCAVATED 1936.**
- NC-42-241 Milepost 365.5 Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
R.E. Howe, Photographer, November 1956
**SOUTH END OF CRAGGY FLATS TUNNEL
SHOWING CONSTRUCTION OF PORTAL.**
- NC-42-242 Milepost ????? Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
Photographer and date unknown.
**TUNNEL WITH LINING BEFORE CONSTRUCTION
OF PORTAL.**
- NC-42-243 Milepost ????? Photocopy of negative (U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, Record Group 30-N, Still Pictures Branch, National Archives).
R.E. Howe, Photographer, 1955.
**CONSTRUCTION OF TUNNEL PORTAL IN
PROGRESS. NOTE THE METAL AND TIMBER
BRACING FOR THE TUNNEL LINING STILL IN
PLACE.**

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David Hass, Photographer, May 1997

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| NC-42-244 (CT) | Milepost 5.9 | HUMPBACK ROCKS VISITOR CENTER. VIEW OF THE MOUNTAIN FARM EXHIBIT LOCATED ON THE GENERAL SITE OF THE OLD CHARLIE CARTER FARM. TO THE LEFT IS THE CA. 1890 SINGLE-CRIB LOG WILLIAM "LAWLESS BILLY" RAMSEY CABIN MOVED FROM BELOW ROBINSON GAP AND TO THE RIGHT IS A CHICKEN HOUSE RELOCATED FROM THE JOHN C. CLARKE PLACE ABOUT A MILE NORTH OF IRISH GAP. VIEW FACES NORTH. |
| NC-42-245 (CT) | Milepost 35.5 | ROCKY MOUNTAIN VIADUCT. THIS STEEL GIRDER VIADUCT WAS BUILT IN 1942. ALL OF THE REINFORCED CONCRETE WAS FACED WITH A RUSTICATED STONE. IT IS THE ONLY STRUCTURE ON THE PARKWAY WITH STONE FACED ARCHED PIERS. THE VIEW IS FACING EAST. |
| NC-42-246 (CT) | Milepost 42.0 | VIEW SHOWING THE CURVILINEAR ALIGNMENT OF THE PARKWAY ON A RIDGE. LOOKING NORTHEAST. |
| NC-42-247 (CT) | Milepost 99.5 | AXIAL PARKWAY ALIGNMENT ALONG RIDGE TOP. NOTE THE OPEN VISTAS TO EITHER SIDE OF THE ROADWAY. THESE ARE MAINTAINED THROUGH VEGETATION MANAGEMENT. THE WOOD GUIDERAIL IS A PRIMARY SAFETY FEATURE. VIEW IS TO THE NORTHEAST. |
| NC-42-248 (CT) | Milepost 154.0 | SMART VIEW RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF ONE OF THE PARKWAY CURVES WITH A |

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SNAKE FENCE ON THE LEFT AND A STONE DRAIN ON THE RIGHT REINFORCING THE ROADWAY ALIGNMENT. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHEAST.

NC-42-249 (CT) Milepost 154.0

SMART VIEW RECREATION AREA. VIEW OF PARKWAY CURVE WITH THE STONE DRAIN ON THE LEFT AND THE SNAKE FENCE ON THE RIGHT REINFORCING THE ROADWAY ALIGNMENT. FACING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.

NC-42-250 (CT) Milepost 163.0

CHURCH ON MORNING DEW LANE NEXT TO PARKWAY. LOOKING SOUTHWEST.

NC-42-251 (CT) Milepost 169.0

ROCKY KNOB RECREATION AREA CONTACT STATION. IN THE FOREGROUND S ONE OF THE ROCK FINS WHICH IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AREA. IN THE BACKGROUND IS THE CONTACT STATION WHICH OPENED AS A GAS STATION IN SEPTEMBER 1949. FACING NORTHWEST.

NC-42-252 (CT) Milepost 176.2

MABRY MILL. VIEW OF THE MILL AND THE NPS DREDGED REFLECTING POND WHICH ILLUSTRATES HOW THE PARKWAY HAS MANIPULATED THE LANDSCAPE TO MAKE IT MORE PICTURESQUE. LOOKING NORTH-NORTHWEST FROM INTERPRETATIVE TRAIL.

NC-42-253 (CT) Milepost 176.2

MABRY MILL. THE VARYING ROOF LINES AND SIDING GIVES THE MILL AN INTERESTING TEXTURE, INCREASING ITS PHOTOGENIC VALUE. LOOKING NORTH.

NC-42-254 (CT) Milepost 239.0

DOUGHTON PARK. VIEW OF THE MARTIN BRINEGAR CABIN WHICH WAS RESTORED FOR INTERPRETATIVE PURPOSES IN 1941 WITH THE PREPARATION OF MEASURED

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DRAWINGS FOR THE HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY. THE ACTUAL RESTORATION WAS CARRIED OUT BY WPA FORCES. THE GROUNDS AROUND THE CABIN WERE TREATED AS AN INTERPRETATIVE LANDSCAPE RATHER THAN A HISTORIC RESTORATION. THIS ONE OF TWO SITES ALONG THE PARKWAY WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL HOMESTEAD WAS RELATIVELY INTACT WHEN IT WAS OBTAINED AND KEPT AS AN INTERPRETATIVE DISPLAY.

NC-42-255 (CT) Milepost 254.6

VIEW LOOKING NORTH OF **MOUNT JEFFERSON** FROM MOUNT JEFFERSON OVERLOOK.

NC-42-256 (CT) Milepost 303.0

LINN COVE VIADUCT. THIS IS THE FIRST PRECAST CONCRETE SEGMENTAL CONCRETE SEGMENTAL VIADUCT TO BE BUILT WITH THE PROGRESSIVE METHOD IN THE UNITED STATES. IT CONTAINS NEARLY EVERY TYPE OF HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION WITHIN ITS LENGTH. WITH ITS SUPERELEVATION OF UP TO TEN DEGREES AND ITS TIGHT HORIZONTAL AND SPIRAL CURVES, IT WAS THE MOST COMPLICATED BRIDGE OF ITS TYPE BUILT TO THAT TIME. LOOKING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.

NC-42-257 (CT) Milepost 312.1

NORTH CAROLINA ROUTE 181 GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE IS A SINGLE-SPAN, REINFORCED CONCRETE, ELLIPTICAL SPANDREL ARCH STRUCTURE. BUILT IN 1959, IT IS ON A SLIGHT SKEW AS IT PASSES OVER THE PARKWAY ACCOUNTING FOR ITS WIDE SPAN OF 80'. IT IS ONE OF THE FEW STRUCTURES TO PASS OVER THE PARKWAY. THIS VIEW IS TO THE NORTH.

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- NC-42-258 (CT) Milepost 314.3 **VIEW OF WILDFLOWERS ALONG THE PARKWAY.**
- NC-42-259 (CT) Milepost 326.0 **VIEW OF THE STONE CURBING USED AT THE HEFNER OVERLOOK. THIS IS A COMMON FEATURE AT ALL OVERLOOKS ON THE PARKWAY. ALL STONE ON THE PARKWAY, EXCEPT FOR THE LINN COVE VIADUCT WAS QUARRIED FROM WITHIN FIFTY MILES OF WHERE IT WAS USED. LOOKING NORTH.**
- NC-42-260 (CT) Milepost 372.0 **VIEW OF THE PINNACLE LAKE OVERLOOK. EXAMPLE OF LOCATION WHERE DESIGNERS PLACED AN OVERLOOK ON THE OUTSIDE OF A CURVE INSTEAD OF LEAVING THE REMNANTS OF A ROCK CUT VISIBLE. VIEW TO THE SOUTH.**

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Blue Ridge Parkway

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Jack E. Boucher, photographer,

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| NC-42-263 (CT) | U.S. Route 460 Grade Separation Structure, Milepost 105.8 |
| NC-42-264 (CT) | Bluffs area of Highlands District, far north of North Carolina Parkway segment, from approximately Milepost 220 to Milepost 250 |
| NC-42-265 (CT) | Bluffs area of Highlands District, far north of North Carolina Parkway segment, from approximately Milepost 220 to Milepost 250 |
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| NC-42-268 (CT) | South of Roanoke |
| NC-42-269 (CT) | Natural view |