



bearing components and original hardware intact. Due to its sturdy construction and low-volume traffic usage, the bridge has required few structural modifications since its construction, and the majority of the superstructure is original.

- Although most of the industrial buildings and railroad tracks of the California Powder Works were removed in 1914, the bridge retains the feeling of a nineteenth-century covered bridge built for horse-drawn wagons and freight cars.
- In 1924, the Fresno Masonic fraternity purchased the former California Powder Works property for the establishment of a summer cottage colony known as “Paradise Park.” It has evolved into a year-round, private community of 200 houses that maintains the structure as a working bridge surrounded by trees, cottages, and remnants of the powder works.

Owner of Property: Paradise Park Masonic Club

Acreage of Property: Less than one acre

Origins of Nomination: The *Covered Bridge NHL Context Study*, as well as this nomination, originated with funding from the National Historic Covered Bridge Preservation Program. The Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) documented 75 historic covered bridges from 2002 to 2004 from a list suggested by a national committee of covered bridge experts. This bridge, along with the Brown Bridge and the Duck Creek Aqueduct, which were both nominated in the fall of 2103, is being nominated subsequent to the designation of the Humpback Bridge and Knight’s Ferry Bridge in 2011.

Potential for Positive Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program:

- Designation would recognize the importance of covered bridges to the development of transportation and engineering in the United States.
- Designation would encourage future maintenance of the bridge in this private residential development.

Potential for Negative Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program: None known.

Landmarks Committee Comments: The committee provisionally approved the designation of the property pending an opinion from the National Park Service’s solicitor that the Paradise Park Masonic Club Board legally represents the ownership of the property.

Landmarks Committee Recommendation: Designation. Dr. Stevens moved, Dr. Allan seconded; unanimous approval.

Public Comments Favoring Designation (received as of 06/2/2014):

Barry Brown, Paradise Park, California

Amy Crain, California SHPO

Lois Keithley, President, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)

Barry A. Brown, Santa Cruz, California

Joanne C. Nelson, Santa Cruz, California



Lois A. Keithley, President, Board of Directors, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Lucille Heathorn, Paradise Club Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California
Gary Brandenburg, CFO, Board of Directors (owner)
Cynthia Crogan, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
William E. Crogan, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Myron Coleman, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Joyce M. Taylor, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Raveran R. Hoffman, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Florence J. Gustafson, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Margaret Todd, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Elizabeth Gladding, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Martin B. Miller, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Robert A. Morgan, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Carol Morgan, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Michael Sauley, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Tripura Anand, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Ken Ernest, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Claudia Slater, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Heather Glueckler, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Deborah Crogan, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Sally H. Boyle, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Winston Chavour, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Jacquelyn Loreil, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Michelle Green, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Robert Chavez, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)

Public Comments Opposing Designation (received as of 05/23/2014):

Dave Friedman, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Karen Friedman, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Shari Crouch, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
C. R. Downing, III, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Pamela Maxwell, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Anthony Fleming, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Linda Dyson-Weaver, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Margo L. Vest, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Jay. A. Averill, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Karl Raadik, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Laura W. Crafts, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Virginia R. Uber, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Claudia C. Fickles, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Gayle Logan-Silva, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Patricia Herzog, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Robert F. Sand, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Rebecca Porter, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)

Marshall Shoquist, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Julia A. Kelty, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)
Daniel H. Hanson, Paradise Park Masonic Club, Santa Cruz, California (owner)

Advisory Board Recommendation: