

Tehama County

The Tehama County Courthouse in Red Bluff. (2010)



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Tehama County Data

Population: 56,039 (Rank: 41)

Land Area (square miles): 2,951 (Rank: 20)

Tehama was created in 1856. It was named for the city of Tehama. It is uncertain where the name comes from. It could be from the Mexican word “tejamanil” (shingle), or “shallow water” in the dialect of the local Indians. The Sacramento River was low enough to ford on foot at the point where the town of Tehama was built. There is also an Arabic word “tehama” which means hot lowlands.

Tehama stretches from the coast ranges to the Sierras. It is bisected by the Sacramento River. The western part of the county contains part of the Trinity-Shasta National Forest and the Yolla Bolly Wilderness Area. In the eastern part of the county is part of the Lassen National Forest. The county is still an agricultural area.

The main crops are prunes, now known as dried plums to improve their image, and English Walnuts. The county produces 5% of the state’s lumber.

Highways 5 and 99 are the main north-south routes and they join together at Red Bluff. Highway 36 is the main east-west route. It also passes through Red Bluff.

Cities: Red Bluff, Corning, Tehama.

Introduction

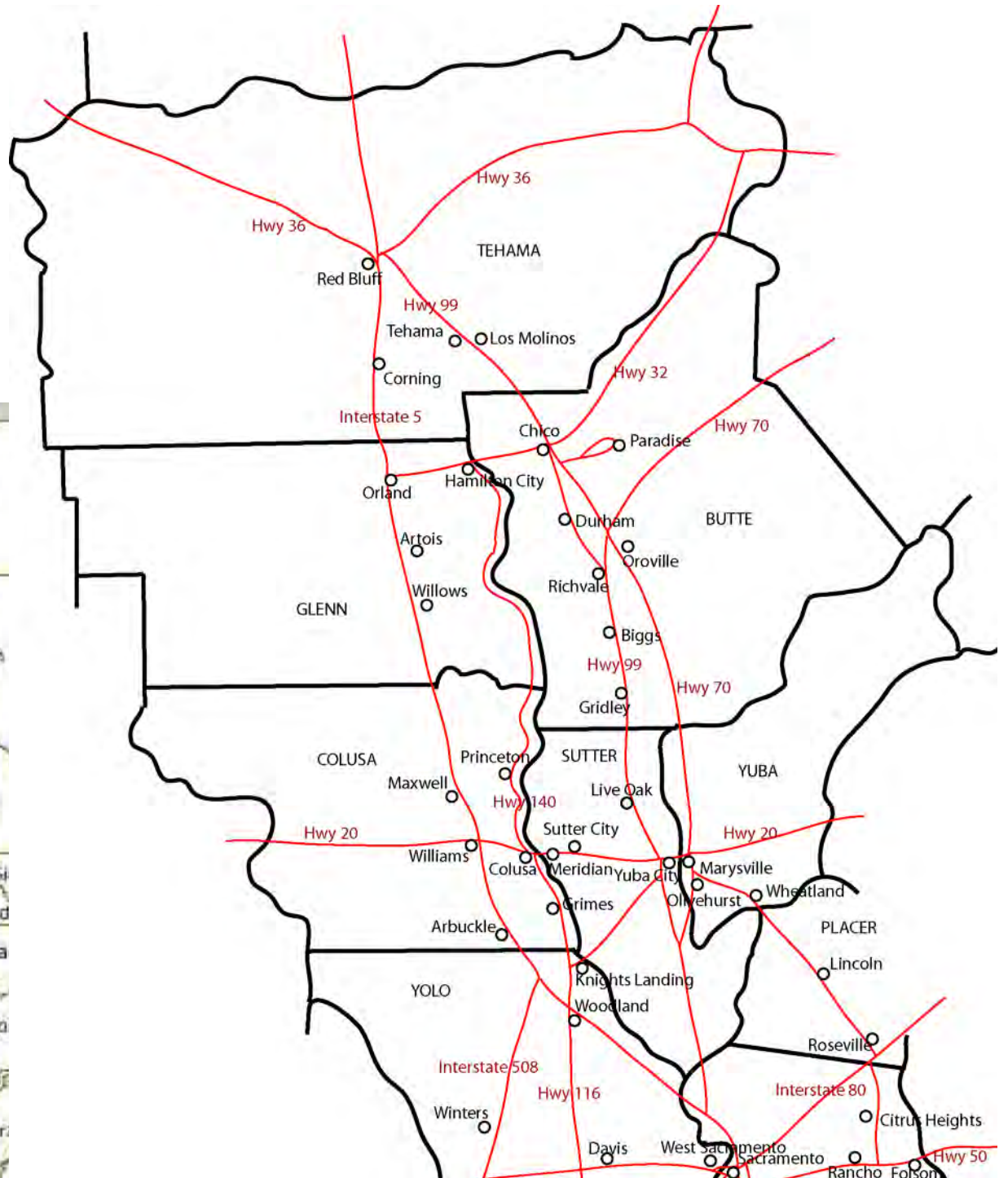
California is comprised of 58 counties. The state, the third largest in the U.S., has the greatest diversity of geography of any of the states. It has huge deserts, high mountain ranges, fertile valleys and a 1000 mile coastline. Beginning in 2001 my wife and I began to travel and photograph the state as a retirement hobby.

In 2009 we published a CD containing about 4,000 photos of the regions of the state. Since that time we have added about 10,000 more photos to our collection. It was also at this time (December 2008) I began to send a photographic diary of our trips to friends and people with an interest in California geography.

Now we are organizing our collection by county using all of our photos dating back to 2001.

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Jelly's Ferry Road bridge over the Sacramento River

(2011)



Battle Creek Fish Hatchery

The Battle Creek hatchery was built by the Federal government in 1942 to compensate for the loss of places for the fish to spawn because of the Shasta Dam. (2011)



Battle Creek Fish Hatchery

Over 13 million fish are spawned each year at Battle Creek.
(2011)



Red Bluff

The Main St. of Red Bluff. The population is 14,000. The original name was Leodocia when it was established in 1850. By 1854 it was called Red Bluff. This was the head of navigation on the Sacramento River. (2003)



Red Bluff

(2003)



Red Bluff

The old State Theatre no longer shows movies. (2003)



Red Bluff

An old bank on Main Street. (2004)



Red Bluff

You can see Mt. Lassen from the main street. (2004)



Red Bluff

(2004)



Red Bluff

(2011)



Red Bluff

(2010)



Red Bluff

(2011)



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The town has numerous Victorians. (2002)



Red Bluff Diversion Dam

The dam on the Sacramento River diverts river water into the Tehama-Colusa Canal and the Corning Canal. The canals deliver water to 100,000 acres. (2011)



Corning

(2003)



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Corning

Corning is headquarters of Bell-Carter olive company and a center of olive growing. (2005)



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An old style olive orchard. Corning is a center of olive production. (2003)



Richfield

Richfield is a farm community just east of Corning. (2005)



Richfield

(2005)



Gerber

Gerber is a farm community of about 1,000 population. (2005)



Gerber

(2005)







Las Flores

(2005)



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(2005)



Proberta

The community began in 1888 when Edward Probert donated land to the railroad. The population today is 267. (2005)





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(2005)



Tehama

Tehama is one of the smallest incorporated cities in California. It has a population of about 400. (2005)



Tehama

The old school is now the town museum.
(2005)



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Los Molinos

(2005)



Flournoy

Flournoy is located west of Corning in the Coast Range foothills. (2005)



Flournoy

(2005)



Paskenta

Paskenta has a lumber mill and a Department of Forestry camp.
(2005)



Paskenta

(2005)



Paskenta

(2005)



Paskenta

At Paskenta the county road turns south. (2005)





Paskenta

(2005)

