

Mississippi's Transportation System

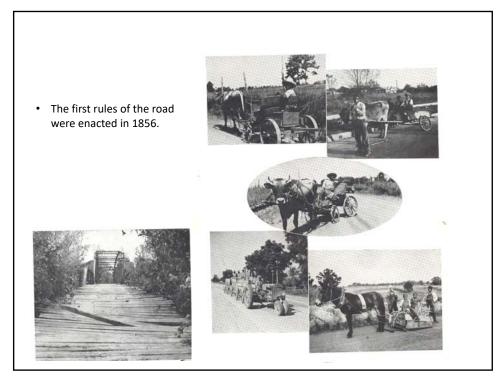
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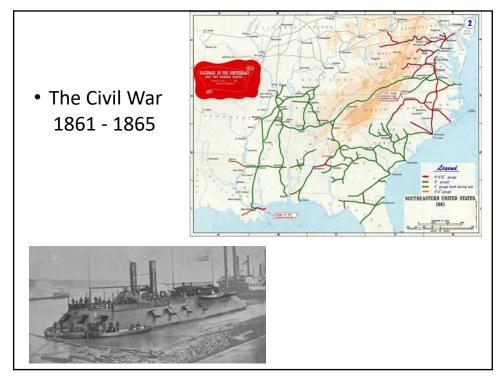
- A territorial law for opening & regulating highways was enacted April 12, 1799.
- Public ferries were established along the mighty river and other waterways with a toll by the time MS became a state in 1817.
- By June, 1822, Boards of Police were in charge of road building.



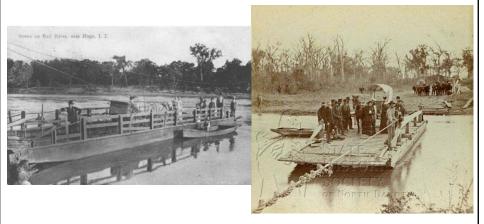
By April 1841, a \$500 fine was imposed for damaging any public bridge.







- The Road Tax Law was enacted in 1880, placing an assessment of \$3 annually on men between the ages of 18-60.
- The latter part of 1890, all roads and ferries were placed under the jurisdiction of County Board of Supervisors & by 1900 there were 20 vehicles in the state.

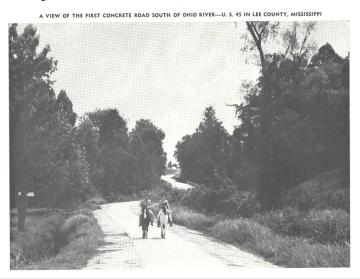


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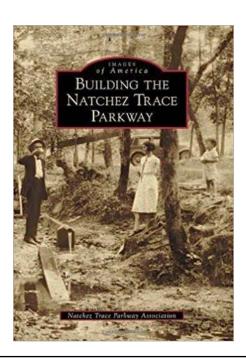


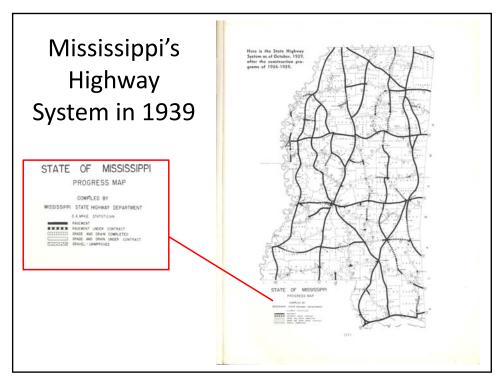
- In 1910 graded & drained earth roads and graveled surface roads began to be constructed.
- In 1915, Mississippi received it's first concrete road located between Tupelo and Verona, 5 miles long, 9 feet wide



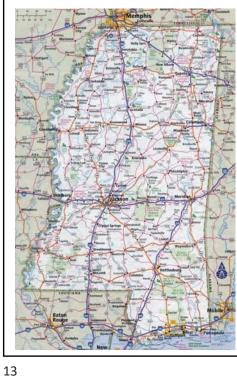
- The MS Highway Commission was created March 29, 1916, under Governor Theo G. Bilbo, consisting of three members, with their first commission meeting in April of that year.
- The Federal Aid Act of 1916 which provided funds to be matched by the states for highway construction.
- First gas tax collected in 1922 of 1 cent per gallon
- Between 1924 1930, the infrastructure for MS highways was born, under the Stansel Act.
- Circa 1930, the first Chief Engineer was hired and the organization was being called the State Highway Commission or MS Highway Department.
- The gas tax had skyrocketed by 1931 to 6 cents a gallon.

 By 1940, \$5.9 million had been obligated between 3 states for the construction of the Natchez Trace Parkway.



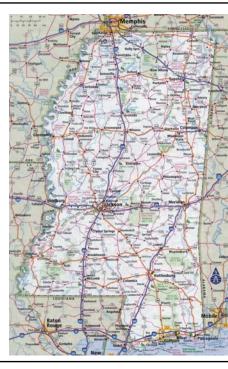


- The 1944 Highway Act was signed into law and then in In 1956, life was given to the state's interstate system. 1962 saw the birth of Interstates 55, 20, 59, 220 and 10.
- 1969 Hurricane Camille
- 1972 marked the election of Governor William L. Waller and significant investments in infrastructure.
- In 1981, shifting highway investment priorities from construction to maintenance of existing roads, and in 1987, the four-lane highway program came along with most of the work being conducted in phases.
- July 1992, the State Highway Commission and Highway Department were reorganized into the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) which is governed by the Mississippi Transportation Commission.



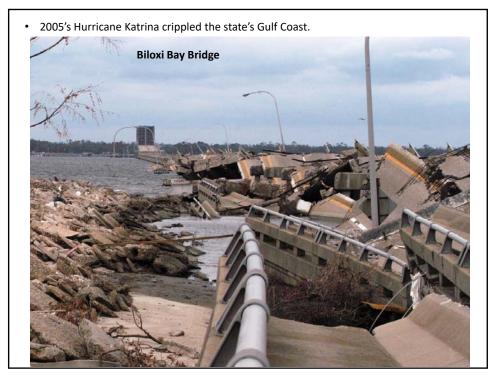
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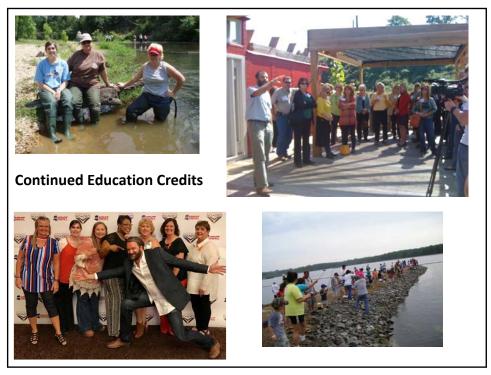
















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AS A WOMAN
WHO KEPT HER
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