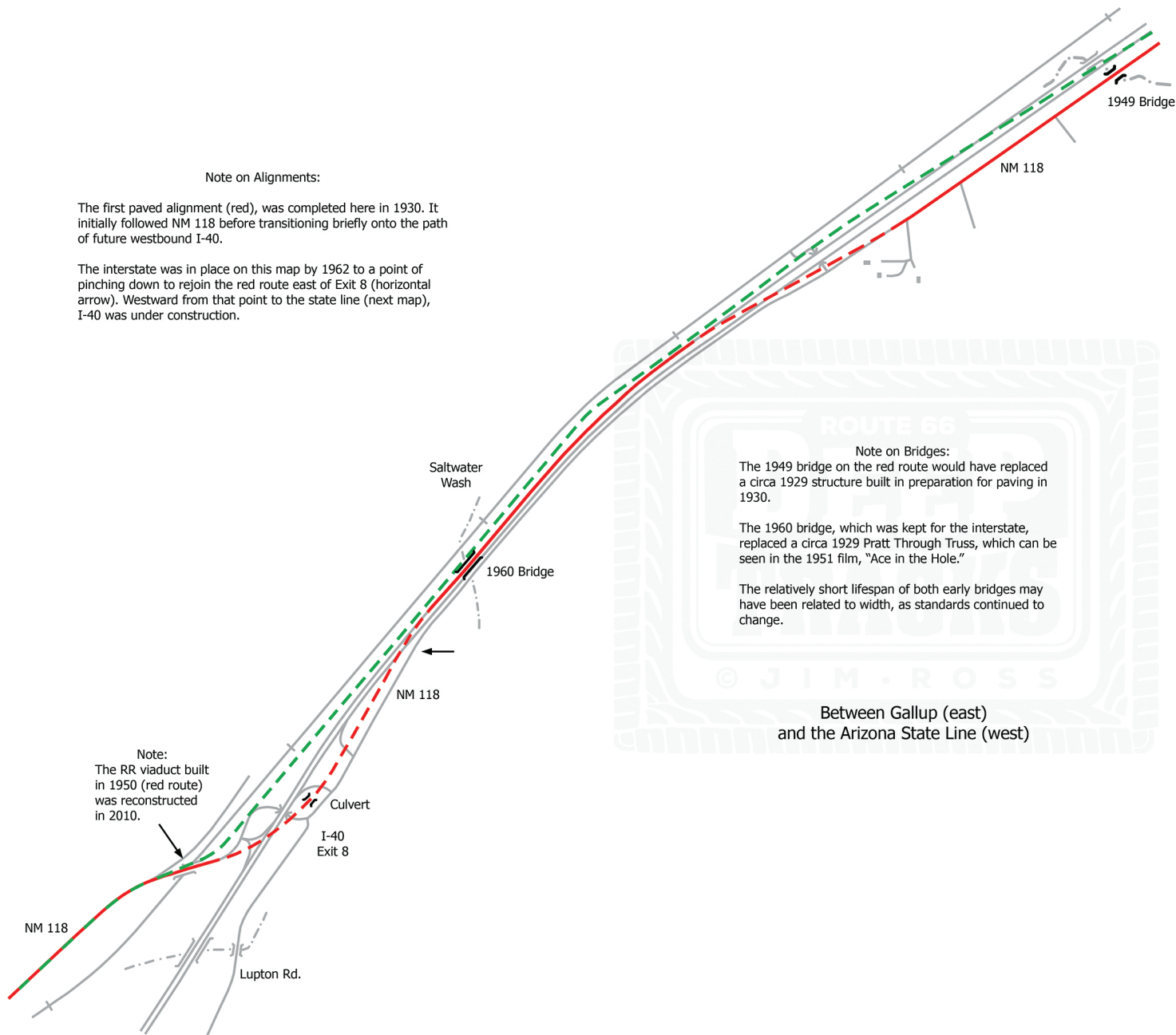


**Note on Alignments:**

The first paved alignment (red), was completed here in 1930. It initially followed NM 118 before transitioning briefly onto the path of future westbound I-40.

The interstate was in place on this map by 1962 to a point of pinching down to rejoin the red route east of Exit 8 (horizontal arrow). Westward from that point to the state line (next map), I-40 was under construction.

**Note:**  
The RR viaduct built in 1950 (red route) was reconstructed in 2010.



**Note on Bridges:**

The 1949 bridge on the red route would have replaced a circa 1929 structure built in preparation for paving in 1930.

The 1960 bridge, which was kept for the interstate, replaced a circa 1929 Pratt Through Truss, which can be seen in the 1951 film, "Ace in the Hole."

The relatively short lifespan of both early bridges may have been related to width, as standards continued to change.

Between Gallup (east)  
and the Arizona State Line (west)