

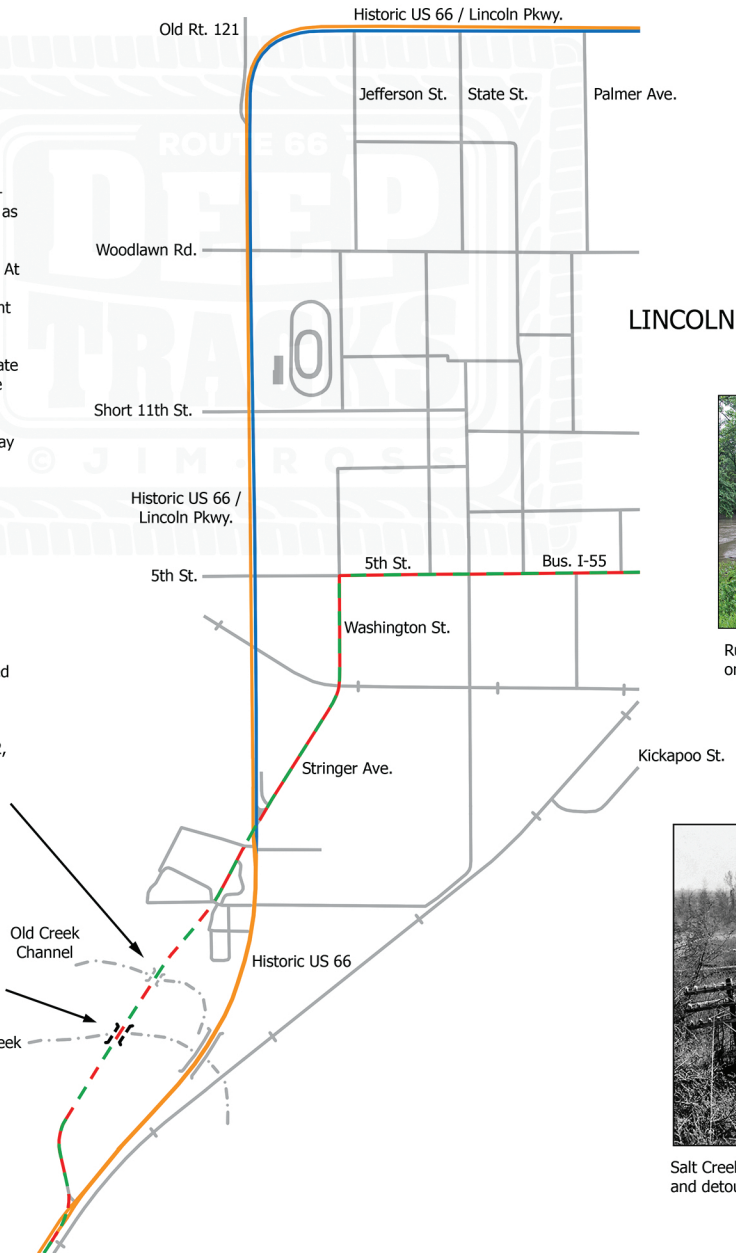
**Note on Alignments:**  
 The original route through Lincoln (green/red) continued on 5th St. to Washington and then Stringer, as depicted, to a crossing of Salt Creek.

In 1942, the orange route became mainline US 66. At that time, a new 4-lane bridge was built on Salt Creek and the orange route was extended to a point of merging with the green/red alignment.

In the early 1950s, lanes were added (blue) to create a 4-lane highway as far as Stringer Ave., where the route became an undivided 4-lane (orange) across Salt Creek to a merging with the green/red route. From there, the road continued as a divided highway (completed in 1953) as far as Sherman (Map 60).

**Note on Salt Creek Bridges:**  
 The bridge initially used by IL 4 / US 66 (arrow) was a steel Pratt Through Truss (bottom photo). Just to the south were two additional steel truss bridges spanning an overflow area. Flooding in the 1920s resulted in Salt Creek being rechanneled to the site of the overflow bridges, which were replaced by a single bridge (upper photo). The bridge on the original creek channel was then removed and the creekbed there backfilled. In 1942, the route was moved (orange) and a new bridge built. That bridge, in turn, was replaced in 2014.

Site of the two overflow bridges and the ruin of their replacement.  
 Salt Creek



Ruins of the bridge that replaced the two spans on the Salt Creek overflow (photo below).



Salt Creek Bridge (foreground); overflow bridges (background); and detour (upper left).