

Old US-17 over Crescent Lake
Outflow

Putnam County
FDOT #764044, 8PU1631

This 1922 concrete slab bridge carries Old US-17 (historic State Road No. 3) over Crescent Lake Outflow near Crescent City in Putnam County. It is the only historic concrete slab bridge constructed in Putnam County prior to 1954. The other remaining historic bridges are common concrete slab bridges built in the 1950s. This 42-foot long, two-span bridge has a cast-in-place concrete deck. Rectangular recessed panels decorate the solid concrete railings, a typical feature of bridges from the 1920s. It was constructed by the Florida Engineering and Contracting Company of Oviedo, and designed by state highway engineer, W. F. Cocke, and bridge engineer James A. Mortland.



**Photo 5-24. Old US-17 over Crescent Lake Outflow,
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The historic bridge plaque commemorates its construction by the State Road Department in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads. The Old US-17 Bridge is newly recommended as NRHP-eligible under Criterion C in the area of Engineering as the only early example of a reinforced concrete slab bridge in Putnam County that retains its integrity.