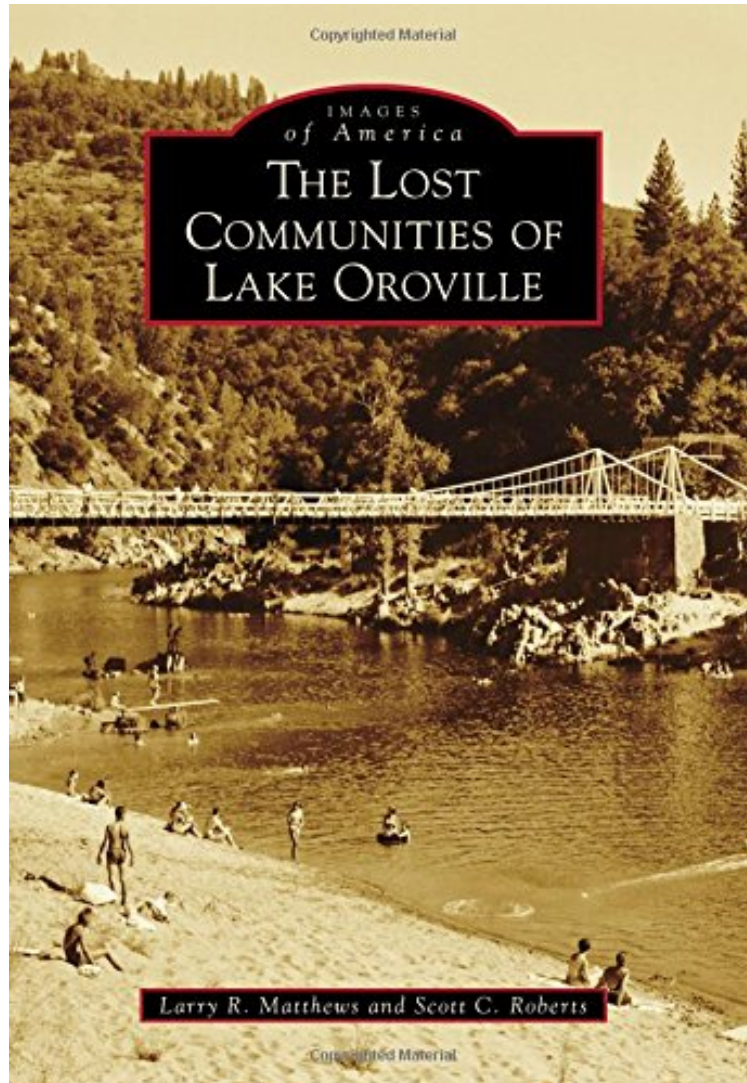


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Larry R. Matthews, Scott C. Roberts : The Lost Communities of Lake Oroville (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Lost Communities of Lake Oroville (Images of America):

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Under the Water.....By Thomas G. Matowitz Jr. Having lived near a large lake created by the TVA in North Carolina, the concept of communities drowned by the rising waters of man made lakes has always intrigued me. Seldom has the construction of a dam carried such far reaching consequences. The book begins with pictures of the construction of the Big Bend Powerhouse in the 1900s. Later we see it about to disappear beneath rising water in 1968, Many other unique scenes in the book met the same fate, only to

be revealed through the irony of a major drought over the past few years. Rising water has once again covered them, hence the great value of a book like this. I know from experience how much effort is required to produce one of these Arcadia books. The authors have done a great job of bringing these vanished landscapes back to life. Highly recommended. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Interesting Read By gary jones Enjoyed the book but a more in depth portrayal of the life in these communities would be great. Perhaps a sequel? 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This is a fantastic little book By Dennis Cline This is a fantastic little book. Bidwell Bar was a favorite summer place growing up. Knowing more of the history of the area was grand.

In 1968, Lake Oroville flooded the West Branch, North Fork, Middle Fork, and South Fork canyons of the Feather River. Also inundated were the communities of Las Plumas, the Big Bend Power House, Bidwell Bar, and Enterprise. In 1994, Feather Falls Village, located above the lake, also ceased to exist due to a totally different situation. But all of these communities had one thing in common: there were people who had resided in them for decades and who still have an emotional connection to them. This book attempts to preserve some of the history of those areas and also tries to show some of what it was like to live in those now almost forgotten communities.

"As memories dim of the small communities covered by the waters, local writers Larry R. Matthews (author of "The Building Of The Oroville Dam") and Scott C. Roberts have published more than a hundred black and white photographs, many from residents of those towns." Oroville MR About the Author Author Larry R. Matthews has been writing about Northern California history since 1998 and is the author of Arcadia's The Building of the Oroville Dam book. Author Scott C. Roberts enjoys uncovering local history and exploring historical sites and also helped in the research for the Oroville Dam book. Some images in this book came from various museums and historical societies. A large portion of the images were contributed by those who resided in the communities covered by this book.