

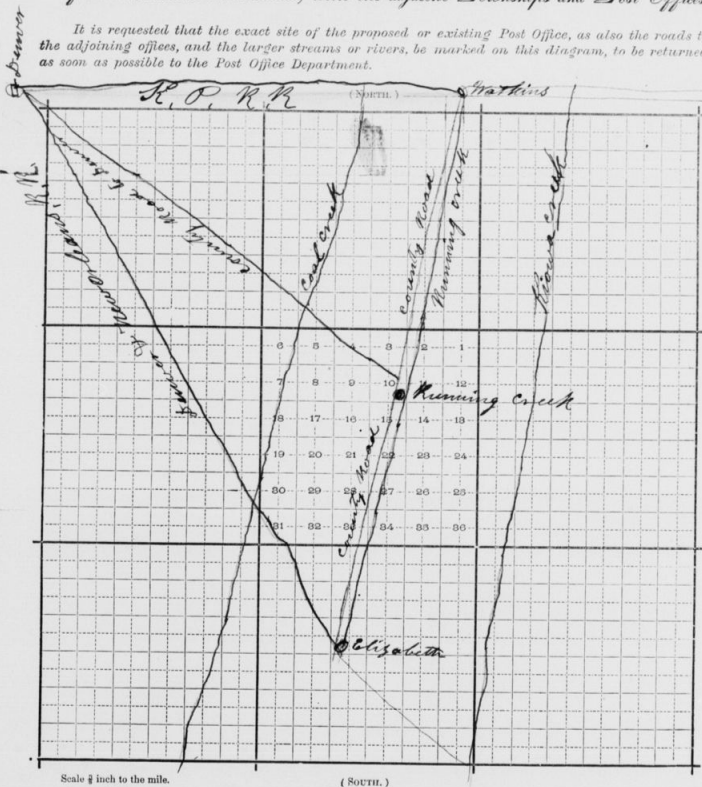
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Diagram showing the site of the Running Creek Post Office
in Townships 6 (N. or S.), Range 44 (E. or W.) of Principal
Meridian, County of Elbert, State
of Colorado, with the adjacent Townships and Post Office's.

It is requested that the exact site of the proposed or existing Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining offices, and the larger streams or rivers, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon as possible to the Post Office Department.



(No. 30.)

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
CONTRACT OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, February 7, 1871

SIR:

To enable the Topographer of this Department to determine, with as much accuracy as possible, the relative positions of Post Offices, so that they may be correctly delineated on its maps, the Postmaster General requests you to fill up the spaces and answer the questions below, and return the same, verified by your signature and dated, under cover to this Office.

Respectfully, &c.,

John Smith
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

To POSTMASTER AT

Running Creek
Albert
Boyd
Colorado

The (P. O. Dept.) name of my office is Running Creek

Its local name is

S. W.

quarter of Section No. 31, in Township
(east or west), County

It is situated in the

(north or south), Range 64 west

7 Douglas

Sec. of Colorado by Plat

The name of the most prominent river near it is

The name of the nearest creek is Running Creek (on Map Mapin)

This office is 18 miles from said river, on the East side of it, and is 4 Rods

miles from said nearest creek, on the west side of it.

The name of the nearest office on route No. is Cherry Creek, and its

distance is 20 miles, by the traveled road, in a N. E. direction from this my office.

The name of the nearest office, on the same route, on the other side, is Howard

and its distance is 9 miles in a Eastward direction from this my office.

The name of the nearest office off the route is Frankston, and its

distance by the most direct road is 12 miles in a West direction from this my office.

This office is at a distance of 25 miles from the Box Elder Station of

the N. P. R. R. Railroad, on the South side of the railroad.

State, under this, the names of all other offices near your office, in different directions from it,

and their distances from it by the most direct roads.

Rock Butte 10 miles south

* If the town, village, or site of the Post Office, be known by another name than that of the Post Office, state that other name here, that it may be identified on the map of the State (or Territory).

† A diagram of the township and sections (or, where the land is not so divided, a sketch map, showing the precise location of your office, together with the adjoining Post Offices, towns, or villages, the roads, railroads, and larger streams or creeks, in addition to the above, will be useful, and is desired.—See diagram blank accompanying this, to be filled up.)

(Signature of Postmaster.)

H. E. Austin P.M.

(Date.)

Feb 16th 1871

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To Mr. *Harry E. Austin*
Care of the Postmaster of *Denver, Colo.*

, who will please forward to him.

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STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called *Running Creek*

[The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.]

It will be situated in the *10th* quarter of Section *31*, Township *4*,
Range *64*, in the County of *Douglas*, State of *Wy Colorado*

It will be on or near route No. *17061*, being the route from *Denver*
to *Pueblo*, on which the mail is now carried *3* times per week.

The contractor's name is *Daniel Hedder*

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. *No*

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans. *12 miles East*

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. *in a direct line 10 miles*

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. *California Ranch*

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. *Return to California Ranch*

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. *None*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is *Denver*
its distance is *35* miles, in a *North West* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is *one off from the road*
its distance is *10* miles, in a *Eastward* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, off the route, is *off the route at the corner of the road*
distance by the most direct road is *10* miles, in a *West* direction from the proposed office.

State the names of the other offices near the proposed one, their directions and distances from it by the most direct roads.

Ans. *Denver 35 North West, California Ranch 12 miles West*

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Plat*

The name of the nearest creek is *Running Creek*

The proposed office will be *20* miles from said river, on the *East* side of it, and will be *20 Rods* miles from said nearest creek, on the *West* side of it.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans.

If not, state the number of families within two miles.—Ans. *12 or 30 to 40 men employed in the*

Also, the number of families within one-half the distance to the next office.—Ans. *30 or 40 or 70 or 100 men*

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,
this *21* day of *January*, 186*7* *Harry E. Austin*

I CERTIFY, That I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Postmaster of }

* the name of 30 at California Ranch is incorrect (over)

ALEX. W. HANCOCK,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

13.
To Mr. *Harvey E. Austin*
Care of the Postmaster of *Denver Colo.*, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT

The proposed office will be called

Running Creek

[The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.]

It will be situated in the *NE* quarter of Section *31*, Township *7*, Range *64 West*, in the County of *Douglas*, State of *Colorado*.

It will be on or near route No. *14269*, being the route from *Denver* to *Levensworth*, on which the mail is now carried *daily* times per week.

The contractor's name is *United States Express Co.*

Will it be directly on this route?—*Ans.*

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—*Ans.*

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—*Ans.*

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—*Ans. to my house*

Where intersect the route again?—*Ans.*

What post office will be left out by this change?—*Ans. None*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is *Hecla*, its distance is *Two* miles, in a *Eastward* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is *Denver*, its distance is *31* miles, in a *North West* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, off the route, is *Frankstown*, distance by the most direct road is *15* miles, in a *Westward* direction from the proposed office.

State the names of the other offices near the proposed one, their directions and distances from it by the most direct roads.

Ans.

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Plat*

The name of the nearest creek is *Running Creek*

The proposed office will be *25* miles from said river, on the *East* side of it, and will be *78* miles from said nearest creek, on the *West* side of it.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—*Ans.*

If not, state the number of families within two miles.—*Ans. 21*

Also, the number of families within one-half the distance to the next office.—*Ans. 45 or more*

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this *2* day of *April*, 186*8*.

H. E. Austin

I CERTIFY, That I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Postmaster of *Denver, C.S.*

A. J. Anderson

The settlements in this section are up
v down the several Creeks. The People who
come to this office for there mail live
north v south 6 ^{to 10} mile each way - this office
is as near Central as it could be
the Rockbute P. O. is at the extreme head of
this Creek. This office is on the main
Traveled Road from Shawnee Creek to Denver
v was formerly called The Smoking Hill Stage
Road, v this office was a Stage Station
the Rail Road is 25 miles due north of
here - This Section is settling up verry fast
v we do want a regular Mail, Badly
v we do think we should have it. If there
was a regular mail Route established here
the Business of this office would increase
many Persons would take Papers if they
wer sure of getting them - that do not now -
v in Conclusion we do Pray that you will
grarant our request v put on mail service
Immediately

Yours Respectfully
H. E. Austin
P. M.