



The Arizona & California Railway provided the AT&SF with a shorter route from Los Angeles to Phoenix, compared to its Santa Fe, Prescott & Phoenix route via its original Atlantic & Pacific mainline. The A&C was constructed westward from a junction with the SFP&P at Matthe, Arizona, and reached Parker, Arizona, on the Colorado River, in June 1907, and reached the (SP-built) AT&SF mainline at Cadiz, California, in 1910.

The C&A bridge over the Colorado River from the California side.



The C&A bridge over the Colorado River from the California side. Note the cut in the soft alluvium to bring the grade down to the river.



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Flatcar on a C&A siding on the California side; the bridge over the Colorado River is just beyond the cut grade in the upper left.