

In 1880, the DP and Kansas Pacific Railroads merged with the Union Pacific system. In 1881, the Union Pacific completed construction of its Julesburg Branch, connecting the DP line at La Salle to Julesburg on the UP transcontinental main line (east of map area). The Julesburg Branch was later partially abandoned for 70 miles between a point 13 miles east of La Salle to a point just east of the map area, where a 10-mile-long cutoff connects the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (now BNSF) to the remainder of the Julesburg Branch.

This is the Julesburg Branch 10 miles east of La Salle and 3 miles west of the current end-of-track. The line is now an unused spur.



Same location as above, on the UP Julesburg Branch where it crosses U.S. Highway 34.