



Guide to the Virginia "Teddy" Fenton Photograph Collection on the Hoover Dam and Boulder City, Nevada

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Fenton, Teddy, 1916-2005
Title:	Virginia "Teddy" Fenton Photograph Collection on the Hoover Dam and Boulder City, Nevada
ID:	PH-00022
Date [inclusive]:	1920-1985
Physical Description:	0.4 Linear Feet (4 hanging folders)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Virginia "Teddy" Fenton Photograph Collection on the Hoover Dam and Boulder City, Nevada (1920-1985) contains photographs of the Hoover Dam, Colorado River, and Boulder City, Nevada. The photographs depict the construction of the Hoover Dam from 1931 to 1936, views of the dam after it was finished, and workers building the dam.

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Historical Background

The Hoover Dam, also known as the Boulder Dam, was constructed on the Colorado River in Black Canyon near Las Vegas, Nevada from 1931 to 1936 during the Great Depression. The dam impounds Lake Mead, the country's largest reservoir, and it provides hydroelectric power to Nevada, Arizona, and California. The dam was built by workers employed by the joint venture of construction companies called Six Companies, Inc. Six Companies was chosen by the Bureau of Reclamation after winning a bid to construct the dam. The Hoover Dam was dedicated in 1935 and began operations in 1936.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials are roughly arranged by subject.

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Administrative Information

Access

The collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1976 by the Bureau of Reclamation through Virginia "Teddy" Fenton; accession number 1976-198.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2015, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Lindsay Oden wrote the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Boulder City (Nev.)
- Henderson (Nev.)
- Civil engineering
- United States. Bureau of Reclamation. Lower Colorado Region

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