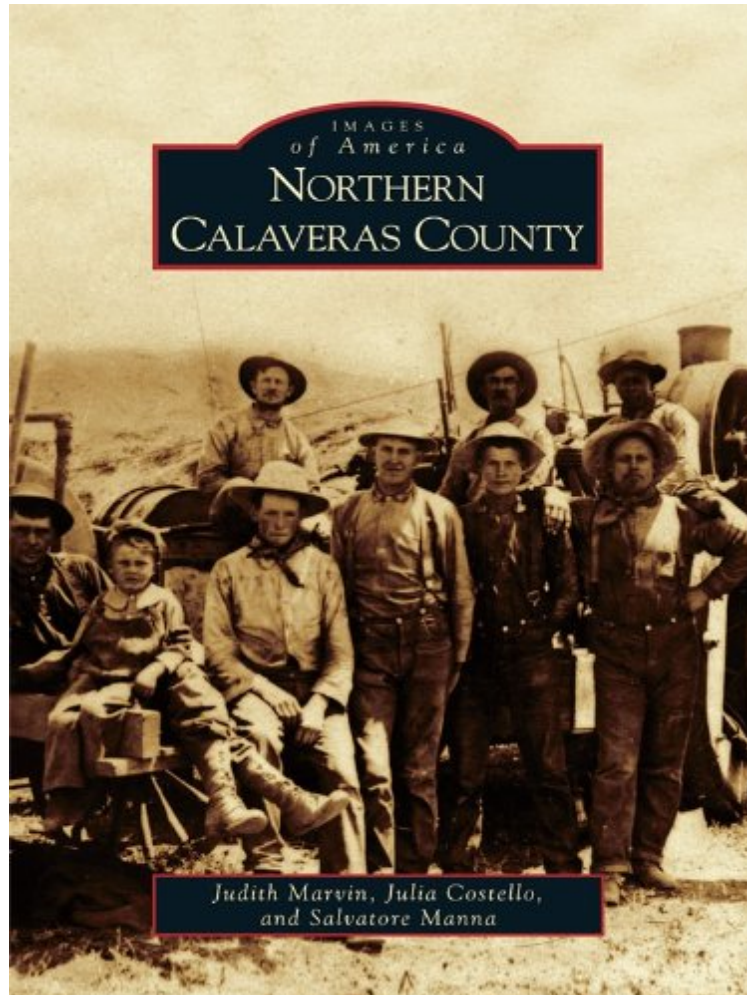


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groups the photos by theme, but it's easy to flip through the book to find an interesting photo and read about how it came to be. This is an excellent book for anyone interested in California history, as it adds faces, buildings, clothing styles and other details to other presentations to bring the history to life.

Northern Calaveras County stretches eastward from the valley towns of Wallace and Jenny Lind, through the Campo Seco and Mokelumne Hill gold country, to the county seat in San Andreas and finally extends to the upcountry mining camps and logging settlements of West Point and Railroad Flat. Historically water and trails connected these diverse regions. The Mokelumne River and its tributaries?diverted into flumes and ditches?brought water to the river bars, mines, ranches, settlements, and towns and provided their lifeblood. Trails first followed Native American paths and then developed into stage roads, railroads, and state highways. These routes connected the valley to the mountains and carried pioneers seeking gold, water, timber, fertile land, and recreation to new lands and new lives.

About the Author Historian Judith Marvin, archeologist Julia Costello, and writer Salvatore Manna, with the assistance of local geologists, ranchers, researchers, and descendants of pioneer families, present vintage photographs and stories taken from the files of the Calaveras County Historical Society and the Calaveras County Archives. The result is a fascinating portrait of one of California's most storied counties, from prehistory to the Gold Rush to the 21st century.