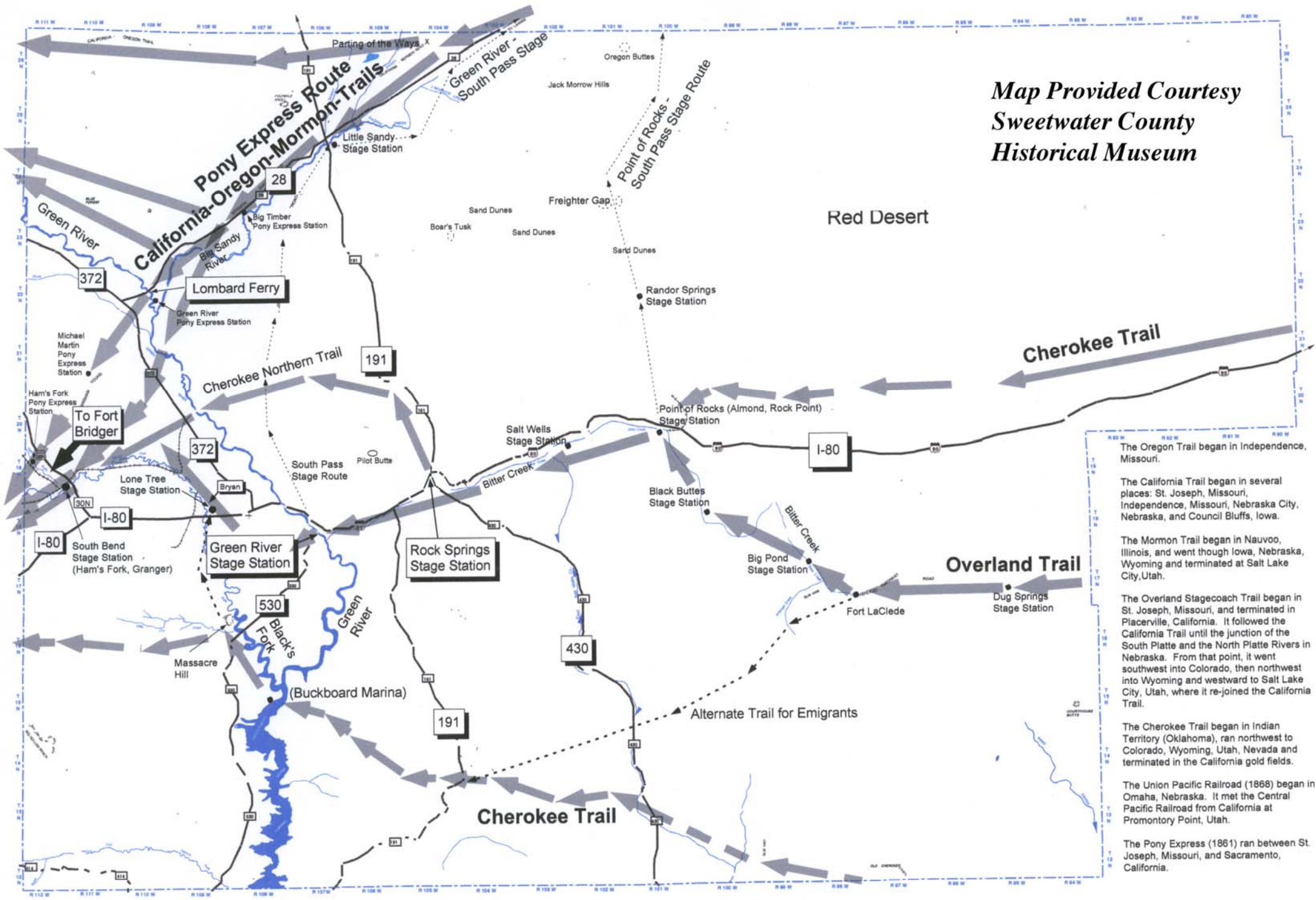


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The Oregon Trail began in Independence, Missouri.

The California Trail began in several places: St. Joseph, Missouri, Independence, Missouri, Nebraska City, Nebraska, and Council Bluffs, Iowa.

The Mormon Trail began in Nauvoo, Illinois, and went through Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming and terminated at Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Overland Stagecoach Trail began in Placerville, California. It followed the California Trail until the junction of the South Platte and the North Platte Rivers in Nebraska. From that point, it went southwest into Colorado, then northwest into Wyoming and westward to Salt Lake City, Utah, where it re-joined the California Trail.

The Cherokee Trail began in Indian Territory (Oklahoma), ran northwest to Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and terminated in the California gold fields.

The Union Pacific Railroad (1868) began in Omaha, Nebraska. It met the Central Pacific Railroad from California at Promontory Point, Utah.

The Pony Express (1861) ran between St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California.

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