

Watson Lake Sign Post Forest

Yukon Historic Site

Watson Lake, Yukon



In the summer of 1942, 11,000 soldiers from the United States came to Yukon and Alaska to build the Alaska Highway. Carl Lindley was a soldier from Danville, Illinois. Feeling homesick, he added a sign showing the distance to his hometown to an army milepost sign. Over time, more people added signs until the single post grew into a forest. The forest of signs in Watson Lake continues to grow as travellers from across the world bring signs from their hometowns to add there.

The Watson Lake Sign Post Forest is a Yukon Historic Place. To learn more about Yukon Historic Places visit:

<http://register.yukonhistoricplaces.ca>

On the back, design your own sign post to share with family and friends from far away. Look at ours as an example:



You can use Google Maps to help you figure out the distances between your home and the homes of your loved ones.

My sign post