

Captain Hernando de Alarcon writes the first recorded history of Yuma.



<http://images4.fanpop.com>

Spaniards return to Yuma with Juan Bautista de Anza.



<https://www.flickr.com/photos/anzatrailnps/25789436313/in/photostream/>

Father Francisco Garces
establishes a Spanish
mission.



<http://socalriver.com/sitebuildercontent/sitebuilderpictures/pond/stthomasindianmission.jpg.w300h241.jpg>

Lt. Col. Phillip St. George
Cook opens the Wagon
Road to the West.



Photo from Yuma Public Library District, Special Collections

First rope ferry is built
across the
Colorado River.



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Yuma
Quartermaster
Depot built to protect
and transport supplies.



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Yuma Territorial
Prison opens to handle
criminals.



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Southern Pacific Railroad
builds a bridge over the
Colorado River connecting
Arizona and California.



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Laguna Dam, on the Colorado River, is the beginning of farming using irrigation.



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The Army builds the Yuma Proving Grounds as a testing center for its weapons and machines.



Photo from Rochester Family

The Marine Corps
Air Station (MCAS) is
created by the Marines to
train pilots and test planes.



<https://www.globalaviationresource.com/v2/2013/05/21/bloggar-paul-filmer-mcas-yuma/>

Yuma was first called
Arizona City.



<http://blog.truewestmagazine.com>

Timeline Notes:

All the pictures are primary sources except the first two. The first two are sketches of what people thought it might look like.

I have included the next five pictures for fun.

1. Image of how wide the Colorado River was
2. Picture of Yuma Main Street in the late 1800s --Main Street had to be big enough for a wagon team of 20 donkeys to turn around.
3. Picture of the Laguna Dame Celebration
4. Picture of a sail boat that came up from Baja California to transfer their load to a steamboat that will continue up the Colorado River
5. Picture of Main Street Yuma in 1900s



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