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## Zedler's Mills Luling, Texas

Highway 80 just South of Luling

*Photos Courtesy [Justin Parson](#), [Sarah Reveley](#), and [Chia-Wei Wang](#)*



After nearly four decades, Zedler's Mills is revealed from Nature's green cloak.  
Photo Courtesy Sarah Reveley, March 2006

### **Subject: Zedler's Mills**

We found an abandoned saw mill outside of Luling it was great, ... it was along side the [San Marcos ] River you can walk right up to it, of course you wouldn't have wanted to go inside, the historical marker said it had been abandoned since 1960... - *Rodney Stegall, November 08, 2005*

### **Photographers' Note**

#### **Subject: the Zedler saw mill in Luling**

I saw a mention of this on your Luling page, and with the phrase "of course you wouldn't have wanted to go inside... abandoned since 1960" How could I pass it up. :) It is a really cool mill - three or four large "mill" buildings and three barns in the back - quite a large site. I think they rent tubes there in the summer for floating on the river. I was there on the 13th when it was raining real bad, so there wasn't anyone around. I wandered around taking pictures for a couple of

hours before I was too cold and wet to stay around. I didn't go inside, the buildings were locked up too well, there was enough to photograph from the outside. Attached are a couple of my favorites from that day. Have a great day! – Justin Parson, [www.whatimagination.com](http://www.whatimagination.com), January 22, 2007

**Subject: Luling update - Zedler's Mills restoration**

Photos taken in March 2006 on 80 just south of Luling – Sarah Reveley, October 28, 2007



The historical marker  
TE Photo





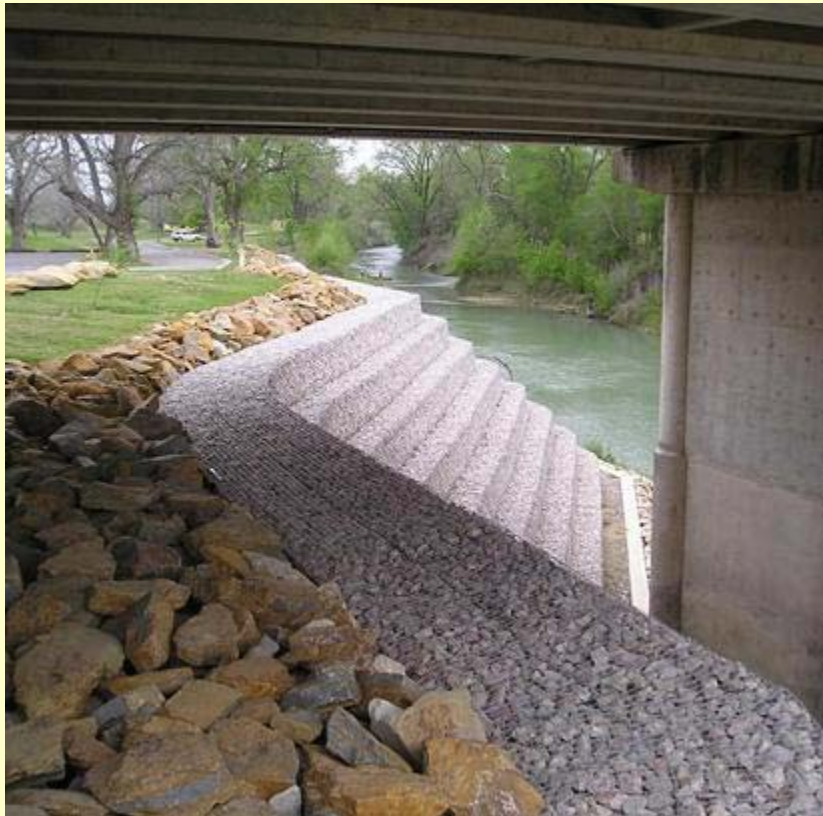
The dam at Zedler's Mills in March 2006  
Photo Courtesy Sarah Reveley



The "business end" of the mill.  
Photo Courtesy Sarah Reveley, March 2006



The cycle begins again:  
A sprout appears on the flood-control retaining walls.  
Photo Courtesy Sarah Reveley



Looking away from the mill at the site of "Texas' biggest picnic."  
See ["The Bathhouse that Wouldn't Die."](#)  
Photo Courtesy Sarah Reveley, March 2006





**Riverside Geometry**

Photo Courtesy Justin Parson January '07



**Panoramic view showing the numerous additions.**

Photo Courtesy Justin Parson, January '07



The largest building on the site in January '07  
Photo Courtesy Justin Parson



Original machinery at the mill run.  
TE Photo August 2006





An adapted Model T chassis provided power - perhaps for the mill's



lighting. 55 Gallon drum (left) acted as an over-sized radiator.

TE Photo August 2006

The root system of a long-dead tree embraces an  
old brick wall.



Photo Courtesy Chia-Wei Wang, August 2006  
Steps leading down to the San Marcos River - or  
up to the Mill  
Photo Courtesy Chia-Wei Wang, August 2006





The mill in 2004, before installation of the steps  
Photo courtesy Barclay Gibson, September 2004



Designated swimming hole on the San Marcos River  
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