Augustin Machado was a wealthy Mexican rancher who owned much of the land that is now Lake Elsinore. He raised cattle, sheep and more in the mid 1800s near the big curve where Grand Avenue turns into Riverside Drive. The Butterfield Stagecoach stopped here at "Laguna" or Rancho Laguna. Augustin Machado died in 1865 and the land was divided among his children. Juan, the eldest son, owned the adobe house you see pictured at bottom left. The Machados sold the land to the Sumner Brothers in 1873. The latitude and longitude coordinates on this map were recorded by Anne J. Miller, Ph.d., as part of her research of this historic route.