



**Hirakatabashi Bridge; Tokaido Bunken Nobe Ezu
(Detailed illustrated map of the Tokaido highway) drawn in 1806**

It is now a culvert, but the Anjo River (Nakagawa River) used to flow here. Hirakata-shuku in the Edo period had two “bridges of Hirakata” in the north and south. The north bridge started to be called Kasasagibashi Bridge and the south one Hirakatabashi Bridge in the Meiji era. A part of the bridge railing inscribed with the words “Hirakatabashi Bridge” still remains today.

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