1. NAME

COMMON: Hillsboro
AND/OR HISTORIC: Cedarvale

2. LOCATION

LOCATION: town of Hillsboro in Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

CITY OR TOWN: Hillsboro
STATE: Montana
CODE: 30
COUNTY: Carbon
CODE: 009

3. CLASSIFICATION

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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- [ ] Agricultural
- [ ] Commercial
- [ ] Educational
- [ ] Entertainment
- [ ] Government
- [ ] Industrial
- [ ] Military
- [ ] Religious
- [ ] Scientific

4. AGENCY

National Park Service
REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: Rocky Mountain Region
CITY OR TOWN: Denver
STATE: Colorado
CODE: 08

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Carbon County Courthouse
CITY OR TOWN: Red Lodge
STATE: Montana
CODE: 30

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Structure Report, Ewing, (Snell) and ML Ranches, and Hillsboro Ranch, Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area by Edwin C. Bearss
DATE OF SURVEY: March 1974
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Office of Historic Preservation
CITY OR TOWN: Washington
STATE: D. C.
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### Complex Includes These Structures:

- Barry Stud Barn and Corral, Structure No. 4
- Hillsboro Post Office, Structure No. 5
- Eddie Hulbert's Shop and Dude Cabin, Structure No. 6
- Big Chicken House, Structure No. 7
- Milk House, Structure No. 8
- Eddie Hulbert's Cabin, Structure No. 9
- Small Chicken House, Structure No. 10
- Root Cellar, Structure No. 11

The subject structures are of Third Order of Significance. Bearss, (1974)

The stud barn and corral are located about .3 mi. east of the main group of ranch buildings. The north elevation of the barn abuts against a bank. There are hay mangers next to the east and north elevations and the barn is open to the south. The roof is constructed of chicken wire which would normally be covered with straw but is now completely gone. The rest of the barn and corral needs a fair degree of repair.

The Hillsboro Post Office lies just to the north of the entrance road and is a log structure one and one half stories high 13 feet 8 inches by 18 feet 6 inches with a tarpaper roof. Access to the loft was by an outside stairway which has since been removed. The building is in fair condition needing repair to the roof and lower story floor.

The Big Chicken House is a log structure 15 feet by 15 1/2 feet. The west elevation is dug into the side of a bank with the doorway facing east. The structure has a dirt roof. This structure is in good condition needing very little attention.

Hulbert's Shop and the Dude Cabin are in the same 17 by 39 foot structure, with a wall separating the two. Entrance to the Shop is gained through a double doorway in the south elevation. The Dude Cabin occupies the west half of the structure with a doorway facing west. The structure is built of logs with a dirt roof. This structure needs extensive repairs to stabilize it.

The Milk House is a rock walled structure, three feet above the ground, with a dirt floor and slab and dirt roof. It is entered through a framed doorway which faces east. Only minor repairs are necessary to stabilize this structure.

Hulbert's Cabin is a frame 14 by 18 1/2 foot cabin with stoop porch. The structure is painted white and has a doorway facing south. Very little other than minor repair and paint is needed to stabilize this structure.

The Small Chicken House is 10 by 10 feet square, log structure with dirt roof and needs very little repair.

The Root Cellar is a 13 by 15 foot structure dug into the south side of the canyon. The walls are of logs and the roof is logs covered with dirt. This structure is in good repair with very little work needed.
8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☑ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☑ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal ☐ Prehistoric ☐ Historic ☐ Agricultural
☐ Architecture ☐ Art ☐ Commerce ☐ Conservation
☐ Education ☐ Engineering ☐ Industry ☐ Landscape
☐ Invention ☐ Literature ☐ Military ☐ Music
☐ Architecture ☐ Conservation ☐ Education ☐ Other (Specify)
☐ History ☐ Politics ☐ Religion/Philosophy ☐ Urban Planning
☐ Science ☐ Sculpture ☐ Social/Humanitarian ☐ Dude Ranching and Recreation
☐ Theater ☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Grosvenor W. Barry was a promoter, and as such he sought with varying success to exploit the resources of the area. Entering the Dryhead Country about 1903, Barry established himself and his family on the South Fork Trail Creek. During the next decade, Barry's attention was engrossed by schemes to extract a fortune in gold from the Bighorn Canyon placers. Three gold mining companies (Hidden Canyon Gold Mining, Bighorn Gold Dredging, and Gold Creek Consolidated Dredging Companies) were successively organized by Barry. Stock was sold in at least two of them. Sufficient capital was raised by one of these to, purchase, ship, and assemble a huge dredge on the Bighorn, at the mouth of Trail Creek.

Undaunted by his failure to strike it rich in mining, Barry plunged into other activities. The Embar Horse Company was chartered and organized to engage in a diversity of activities ranging from horse ranching to manufacturing. The only one of these pursued was the ranching interest, and for a number of years the Embar raised and marketed English Hackneys.

Next, Barry redesigned his ranch Cedarvale and turned to dude ranching. To advertise the wonders of Cedarvale, Barry circulated brochures, while it was promoted in a vacation guide published by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad. In conjunction with the dude ranch, Barry introduced motor-boating to Bighorn Canyon. Boats were built at Cedarvale and launched at Barry's Landing in the second decade of this century. The dude ranch was successful, and was operated by his widow and stepson for a number of years after Barry's death in January 1920. Dr. Barry thus enjoys the distinction of being the first person to recognize and exploit the recreation potential of Bighorn Canyon.

Barry, himself, was an interesting character. He was a hard-drinking, 'western-type' who had numerous brushes with the law. Mrs. Barry was a cultured lady, a descendant of the southern aristocracy. Their elegantly furnished home on the South Fork of Trail Creek was a cultural oasis."

Bearss, (1974)

Hillsboro (Cedarvale) is significant in relation to the life and achievements of Dr. G. William Barry, the first individual to recognize and exploit the recreational potential of Bighorn Canyon. His dude ranch, Cedarvale, was the first to be established in the area, and from that base Barry pioneered in the development of recreational boating on the Bighorn River.
9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES


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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE: Montana

CODE: 30

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Virgil J. Olson Chief of Interpretation

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

STREET AND NUMBER: Post Office Box 458

CITY OR TOWN: Fort Smith

STATE: Montana

CODE: 30

PHONE: (406) 666-2412

12. CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

State Liaison Officer recommendation:

☑ Yes

☐ No

☐ None

State Liaison Officer Signature

[Signature]

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

[Signature]

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**4. IDENTIFICATION**

Describe View, Direction, ETC.

Stud barn and corral - structure # 4

Taken in a westerly direction
**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**
**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES**

**PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM**

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Hillsboro Post Office
Cedarvale

Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area
Fort Smith
Montana

Virgil J. Olson
July, 1973

Headquarters - Bighorn Canyon Adm. Bldg. neg. #635

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Hillsboro Eddie Hulbert's cabin
Cedarvale

Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area
Fort Smith

Montana

Virgil J. Olson
July, 1973

Headquarters - Bighorn Canyon Adm. Bldg.

Eddie Hulbert's cabin - structure # 9
Taken in a northerly direction
### Name
- **Common:** Hillsboro Milk house
- **And/or Historic:** Cedarvale

### Location
- **State:** Montana
- **County:** Carbon
- **Street and Number:** Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area
- **City or Town:** Fort Smith

### Photo Reference
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- **Milk house - structure # 8**
- **Taken in a westerly direction**


**PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM**

**COMMON:** Hillsboro - Hulbert's blacksmith shop & dude cabin

**AND/OR HISTORIC:** Cedarvale

**LOCATION**

**STREET AND NUMBER:** Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

**CITY OR TOWN:** Fort Smith

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