CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340

STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Cabin STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 28

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek Canyon PARK LOCATION CODE PG

NATIONAL REGISTER DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST Fee MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:
- Stabilization
- Cyclic Maintenance
- Routine Maintenance
- Approved Ultimate Treatment

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:
- Preservation (PP)
- Restoration (RR)
- Reconstruction (CC)
- Adaptive Preservation (AP)
- Adaptive Restoration (AR)
- Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)
- Remove (RM)
- No Approved Treatment (NO)

Approval Document ( ) Document Date: / / Estimated Treatment Costs

Level of
- Stabilization: $_______ Date: / / Estimator: (Region) (DSC) (A&E)
- Approved Treatment: $_______ Date: / / Estimator: (Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca/ / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / none apparent
Architect/Designer: Kirk Lee Historical Theme(s): Farming Early/Ranching Late
History of Structure: This cabin, built by a homesteader, Lee Kirk during the late 19th century on his claim, was to have been the center of his farming operation. He was unable to keep his farm going and he abandoned the site after a few years. Since then it appears to have been used periodically by cowboys tending herds grazing in the area. Since the land was taken over by the NPS the cabin appears to have been used by hikers & backpackers as shelter.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing xx Non-Contributing __

National Register Criteria: A B C D (Include integrity statement)

The cabin retains both locational and a high degree of physical integrity. In association with it is a wagon frame Kirk reportedly hauled in to use to carry his farm products to market.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource Study, BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, Utah

Representation in Other Surveys: 1975 LCS (not visited)

If structure has been removed, how? N/A Date: / /

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/28/86

Condition: G
Documentation: F
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: L/WEA/POP
External Impacts: L/WEA/POP
CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME: Kirk's Cabin

LOCATION: 
State: Utah
County: San Juan

OWNERSHIP: 
Present Owner: NPS
Original Owner: Lee Kirk
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

USE: 
CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE): 00
Original Use: Homestead/Residence
Intermediate Uses:

PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE): HI

***PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION***

TYPE OF STRUCTURE (NPS 28 CODE): BU
ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER (STYLE): vernacular log

CHIMNEYS: fieldstone & fieldstone fireplace

SITE (INCLUDE ORIENTATION OF STRUCTURE): rectangle
PORCHES: n/a

OVERALL BUILDING PLAN (FOOTPRINT): rectangle
OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 18' x 22' 4"

COMPOSITION (NPS 28 CODE): WD
STORIES: 1

FOUNDATION: random and rough cut fieldstone

DOORS: 1 opening, metal hinges in door frame

WALLS: hewn log, false cornered notches, mud & pole
daubing & chinking, partially held together
with 1" diameter wood pegs

ADDITIONS: None

ROOF: low end gabled, 2 center ridge poles, pole &
soil

INTERIOR PLAN: open

INTERIOR FINISHES: rough hewn log/dirt floor
ceiling is inside of pole roof

SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:

Hikers & camper use of interior may potentially damage or destroy this resource.

NOTE: The structure may have been significantly rebuilt and altered by volunteer stabilization efforts in 1976. Also, post-survey NPS patrols indicate that two walls have been severely damaged by visitors during 1986.
CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340

STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Corral STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 29

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek PARK LOCATION CODE PG

NATIONAL REGISTER DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:

Stabilization XOR Cyclic Maintenance XOR Routine Maintenance XOR Approved Ultimate Treatment XOR

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:

Preservation (PP) Restoration (RR) Reconstruction (CC)

Adaptive Preservation (AP) Adaptive Restoration (AR) Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)

Neglect (NG) Remove (RM) No Approved Treatment (NO)

Approval Document __________________ Document Date: / /

Estimated Treatment Costs

Stabilization: $ ________ Date: / / Level of

Approved Treatment: $ ________ Date: / / Estimate: (A) (B) (C)

Estimator: (Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca / / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / none apparent

Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming, Early/Ranching/Late

History of Structure: This corral was built by (VI E4) (VII A4)

Lee Kirk as an improvement to his homestead and probably was used to contain
his riding & draft horses. Later it may have been used by cowboys tending livestock
grazing in the area. It appears to have been abandoned before the NPS took control
of the area with the creation of Canyonlands National Park in 1964.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contributing

National Register Criteria: A_ B_ C_ D_ (Include integrity statement)

The site retains integrity of location, but is badly deteriorated. Its function
is only marginally apparent from the physical remains.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource

Study: BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, UT.

Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? N/A Date: / /

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/ 28/ 86

Condition: P

Documentation: P

Significance: L

Internal Impacts: M/POP/WEA

External Impacts: M/POP/WEA
CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME  
Kirk's Corral

LOCATION: Section 20  
State Utah  
Township 32S  
County San Juan  
Range 20E

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS  
Original Owner: Lee Kirk  
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/27  
Original Use Stock Tending  
Intermediate Uses

PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

DRAWING NO.  
NEGATIVE NO. CAB 8, #12, 13

***PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION***

(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: FE  
Materials: WD  
Dimensions: 120'x150' approx.

The site is a corral built by constructing two post and pole fences and using natural sandstone walls for the other two sides. The posts are made of 2 poles pegged together and the fence was of horizontally laid poles.

SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:
Kirk's Cabin Complex
Canyonlands National Park

Sandstone Rim
Corral (NEED-31)
Fence (NEED-30)
Upper Salt Wash
Corral (NEED-29)
Cabin (NEED-28)
Modern Foot Path

1" = 250'
CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340

STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Fence STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 30

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek Canyon PARK LOCATION CODE PG

NATIONAL REGISTER DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:
Stabilization C Cyclic Maintenance C Routine Maintenance C Approved Ultimate Treatment C

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:
Preservation (PP) Restoration (RR) Reconstruction (CC)
Adaptive Preservation (AP) Adaptive Restoration (AR) Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)
Neglect (NG) Remove (RM) No Approved Treatment (NO)

Approval Document Document Date: / /
Estimated Treatment Costs
Stabilization: $ Date: / /
Approved Treatment: $ Date: / /

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca/ / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / unknown
Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming/Early/Ranching/Late
History of Structure: This fence was built (VI E4) (VII A4)
soon after Kirk settled his claim & it denotes a boundary for his attempted farm. After Kirk abandoned his claim it was used by ranchers grazing in the area. Grazing ceased after it became part of Canyonlands National Park in 1964.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contributing 
National Register Criteria: AX B C D (Include integrity statement)
The fence, due to erosion, which has removed a portion of it, and later modifications by grazers, no longer has more than marginal physical integrity other than its location.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource Study, BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, UT

Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? NP (partially) Date: / / unknown

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/28/86

Condition: F
Documentation: P
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: M/ERO/POP
External Impacts: M/ERO/POP
LOCATION: Section 20
State Utah
Township 32S
County San Juan
Range 20E

OWNERSHIP:
Present Owner: NPS
Original Owner: Lee Kirk
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

USE:
CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/ZZ
Original Use Farming
Intermediate Uses Stock Tending

PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

***PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION***

TYPE:
FE

MATERIALS:
WD/MT

DIMENSIONS:
1'x185' approximate

This is a fence built to denote the edge of Kirk's pasture in the same twin post and pole manner he built his corral (NEED - 29). It was later partially remade into a standard single post barbed wire fence.

SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:
CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT

(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

REGION: RMRO
PARK/AREA NAME: Canyonlands Natl. Park
PARK NUMBER: 1340

STRUCTURE NAME: Kirk's Second Corral
STRUCTURE NUMBER: NEED - 31

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE: Upper Salt Wash
PARK LOCATION CODE: PG

NATIONAL REGISTER DATE:
MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST: FEE
MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:
Stabilization (X) Cyclic Maintenance (X) Routine Maintenance (X) Approved Ultimate Treatment (X)

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APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION

Preservation (PP) Restoration (RR) Reconstruction (CC)
Adaptive Preservation (AP) Adaptive Restoration (AR) Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)
Neglect (NG) Remove (RM) No Approved Treatment (NO)

Approval Document: ________________________ ( ) Document Date: / /
Estimated Treatment Costs: ________________________
Stabilization: $ ________ Date: / /
Approved Treatment: $ ________ Date: / /
Level of Estimate: (A) (B) (C)
Estimator: (Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca / / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / unknown
Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming, Early/Ranching, Late
History of Structure: This corral, while similar to the fences and other corrals built by Kirk, may date to a later period. It was probably used by cowboys tending herds grazing in the area. Grazing was halted in the area after the creation of Canyonlands National Park in 1964.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contributing _
National Register Criteria: A X B _ C _ D _ (Include integrity statement)

The structure retains locational integrity and enough physical integrity to make its function apparent. However, it appears to have been modified and expanded at various times.

Bibliography:
C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource Study, BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, Utah

Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? N/A Date: / /

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/8/86
Condition: F
Documentation: P
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: M/VEG
External Impacts: M/VEG/POP
LOCATION: Section 20  State Utah  USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/ZZ
Township 32S  County San Juan
Range 20E

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS
Original Owner: Lee Kirk
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

***PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION***

(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: FE
Materials: WD/MT
Dimensions: 45' x 110' (approx.)

This is a twin post and pole corral with fences on three sides and a rock wall for the fourth. Its construction is similar to the other Kirk's corral and Kirk's fence, except that no pegs were used. Instead, wire held the posts together.

SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:
Kirk's Cabin Complex (ranching theme):

Kirk's Cabin
Kirk's Corral
Kirk's Fence
Kirk's Second Corral

The buildings presently located at the Kirk's Cabin Complex are of a vernacular log ranch style, based on log building materials that were secured from locally available sources. All the resources exhibit a craftsmanship slightly higher than that typically associated with pioneer log building, particularly the use of drilled holes and wooden pegs in their construction. All are in their original locations and have a high degree of physical integrity. Near the cabin are the remains of a wagon and other machinery dating to the late nineteenth century. The cabin has been maintained by the National Park Service, through volunteer help. However, the work was done using the same types of materials and the same techniques used historically. The building lines have not been changed. Only the fence has lost some of its physical integrity due to erosion of the creek bank at one end. The interior of the cabin is not considered significant because of recent graffiti put on the walls by visitors.
SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88001252 Date Listed: 10/7/88

Kirk's Cabin Complex San Juan UT
Property Name County State

Canyonlands National Park MRA
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrus
Signature of the Keeper 10/7/88

Amended Items in Nomination:

Resource count should be one building and 3 structures. This issue has been discussed with Mary Shivers Culpin of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

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By  S. MEHL  Date  9/4/6

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Photo No.

Subject: Corral

Description of View

Location of Subject: Canyonlands

Location of Negative: Removed

By: S. Mehl

Date: 7/6/22

NS-NEED-29

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