ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:
The Logging Creek Ranger Station is a one-story, lap-notched log structure with a gable roof, log rafters, and full ½-hip front porch which was enclosed in the 1930s with lap-board siding to create a radio and work station. The floor plan from front to back is as follows: porch (office), main activity room, kitchen and dining, and storage. The pole rafter roof system runs laterally with 1" decking and cedar shingles. Windows are four-over-four horizontal double-hung sash. The interior logs have been covered with a soft particle board and a similar hung 8' ceiling surface is not covering the once exposed roof structure. The weight of the building rests on a submerged perimeter sill log supplementing a stone, brick, or concrete foundation. The floor is constructed of 2x8 joists and 1" subflooring with linoleum. The Logging Creek ranger station/office, constructed in 1907, predates the formation of Glacier National Park. The building originally served as a U.S. Forest Service ranger station. Although it has been altered by the construction of a front, frame addition, the building still represents the type of functional log building constructed by early settlers of the North Fork. The building contributes to the architectural significance of the site.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1907 (remodeled 1930s)
The history of the Logging Creek ranger station pre-dates the establishment of Glacier National Park. It is significant as the oldest, continually operating administrative site within the Park. The creation of the "Flathead River Road" in 1901 to access potential mineral deposits and the opening of the North Fork Valley to legal homesteading in 1906 necessitated an administrative/management site to protect the surrounding national forest lands.³ This building represents the continued safeguarding of the wildlands and animals in Glacier's North Fork area prior to and after the passage of legislation establishing Glacier National Park.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:
The Logging Creek ranger station is both architecturally and historically significant, and therefore is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under criteria a and c. Logging Creek is the oldest ranger station still functioning in the Park. The site's many buildings are outwardly representative of early park ranger life and duties. The main structure, built in 1907, predates the formation of Glacier National Park. Thus, the building is one of the few structures remaining in the park that illustrates the adaptive reuse of structures that was requisite after the formation of Glacier National Park in 1910. The building is historically significant and is a contributing element in the proposed Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCE:
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:

This structure is a single-room, single floor cabin, measuring 20x22', with a large extending front roof forming the front porch. The cabin has longitudinal purlins, 1" decking, cedar shingles, and log-on-log reverse saddle-notched walls. There is a stone fireplace at the rear. This fireguard cabin was built according to cabin specifications provided by the Park Service's Division of Landscape Architecture. The only apparent dissimilarity is the center-wall placement of the entry. Other facsimiles of the plan are located within Glacier in back-country locations and at other ranger stations. The scale, materials, and design of this cabin are compatible with the other ranger station buildings. It is a contributing element of the site.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1935

The Logging Creek fireguard cabin was constructed with Public Works Project funds by local contractor Harry E. Doverspike in 1935. According to the final construction report, Plan NP/G3074 was used for this cabin as well as for fireguard cabins at Polebridge, Lake McDonald, Many Glacier, and Sun Camp, also constructed in 1935. The Logging Creek building was begun in November 1934 and completed in February 1935.1

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The building is architecturally significant and is a contributing component of the proposed Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCE:

1"Final Construction Report, Fireguard Cabins," File D-34, Buildings, GNPLA.
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:

This structure is a log-on-log, square, lap-notched barn, measuring approximately 30x10', with a full loft and steep. The barn has longitudinal log purlins, lateral rafters, 1" decking, cedar shakes, and a steep gable, and is used for horse storage. The structure is in good condition, with deterioration of exterior sill logs and rafter ends. The Logging Creek Ranger Station barn is a handsome example of log craftsmanship. The barn, although smaller, reflects the same architectural style used in the Polebridge Ranger Station barn, displaying clean, rustic lines, steep gable roof, through-wall loft joists, and double stock doors. The building is a significant feature of this historic ranger station complex.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1930

Research has not yielded any significant historical information concerning persons or events associated with this building.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The barn is an architecturally significant component of the Logging Creek ranger station and is a contributing element of the proposed Historic District.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCE:

FORM PREPARED BY:
NAME/TITLE:
ORGANIZATION: Historical Research Associates, P.O. Box 7086, Missoula, MT 59807-7086

DATE: June 1984
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:

This woodshed is a timber frame structure with vertical board walls, a gable roof with log purlins and rafters, wood shingles, and a solid entry. The condition of the structure is fair. No ranger station complex in Glacier is without a shed for dry, closed storage of wood. Some stations use wood as a back-up heat source, relying primarily upon electricity or gas, but back-country stations still depend upon wood for their only fuel. The scale, materials, and design of this woodshed are compatible with the more significant buildings of the ranger station. It contributes to the overall architectural significance of the site.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1935

The woodshed was constructed with CCC labor in the fall of 1935. The cost totalled approximately $725. Identical woodsheds at Polebridge and Kishenehn ranger stations were built at the same time.¹

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The woodshed is a prominent feature of the Logging Creek ranger station, with good integrity. It is a contributing element of the proposed Historic District.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCE:

¹"Buildings Built by the CCC Since 1935 to December 1937," File 620, GNPLA.
REGION: Rocky Mountain    PARK/AREA NAME: Glacier National Park    PARK NUMBER: 1430

STRUCTURE NAME: Woodshed    STRUCTURE NUMBER: 342

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE: Logging Creek Ranger Station

QUADRANGLE NAME: Demers Ridge, MT

Historic District

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:

This shed is a one-story structure with log frame, vertical board walls, board-and-batten gable ends, a gable roof with wood shingles, and rests on a concrete pad and timber frame raised foundation. The structure is in fair condition. The scale, materials, and design of this oil shed are compatible with the more significant buildings of the ranger station. Although it is less than 50 years old, it should be considered as a contributing structure in the Historic District.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1937

Research has not yielded any significant historical information concerning persons or events associated with this building.

OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is compatible with the architecturally significant structures in the area. Although the structure is less than 50 years old, it should be considered a contributing element in the Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District. The woodshed served an essential function in ranger station complexes prior to the use of modern heating sources. The woodshed and most other pre-1940 structures illustrate the cohesive quality of the complex, and to disregard the contributing status of the structure would seriously limit the ranger station complex's eligibility.

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DATE: June 1984
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION:

This shed is a one-story, frame structure with a gable roof, weatherboard walls, and a solid door. It is adjacent to the fireguard cabin (LCS #348) and is in fair condition. The scale, materials, and design of this oil shed are compatible with the more significant buildings of the ranger station. Although it is less than 50 years old, it should be considered to be a contributing structure in the Historic District.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION:

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DATE: June 1984
The fire cache is used to store fire-fighting equipment and other maintenance tools. The building is a pivotal element of most ranger stations in Glacier. This fire cache is similar in scale and design to those located at the Upper Lake McDonald, Belly River, and Kintla Lake ranger stations. It is a contributing element of the Logging Creek ranger station.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION: DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1930

Research has not yielded any significant historical information concerning persons or events associated with this building.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The fire cache is a prominent feature of the Logging Creek ranger station, with good integrity. It is a contributing element of the proposed Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District.

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NRIS Reference Number: 86003697  Date Listed: 12/16/1986

Logging Creek Ranger Station
Historic District
Flathead  MT
Property Name  County  State

Glacier 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.

Signature of the Keeper  12/4/02
Date of Action
Amended Items in Nomination:

Resource Classification:
The Resource Classification for the nominated property is: district

These revisions were confirmed with the NPS staff.

DISTRIBUTION:
National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)
United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District (addendum), Flathead County, MT

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination _ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _ nationally _ statewide _X locally. ( _ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

___ entered in the National Register

___ determined eligible for the National Register

___ determined not eligible for the National Register

___ removed from the National Register

___ other (explain)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Additional Documentation Accepted
Building Interiors

The following buildings are listed in the National Register of Historic Places as contributors to the Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District. Additional documentation is provided below for the purpose of describing and evaluating building interiors for integrity and significance.

7. Narrative Description

Ranger Station (#88), 1907

This residential unit was not accessible at the time of survey and the interior has not been evaluated.

Fireguard Cabin (#89), 1935

This simple one-room seasonal housing unit appears to be unmodified. The original 3" fir floor, painted grey, remains exposed. Walls are peeled log and the ceiling is open to the roof, exposing the log rafters and the central ridge pole. Windows and doors are set within the log walls; the narrow rough-cut lumber casings are exposed but there are no window surrounds. The building is not equipped with plumbing or with electricity: the refrigerator is propane powered, the sink supplied either by bucket or by a pumped spring system. The fixed furnishings in the cabin generally conform to those on standard cabin blueprints and to those found in backcountry cabins throughout the park. The cupboard mounted on the rear (west) wall is open (in contrast to those with bottom hinged doors that fold down to form a table top. However, the general design has been appropriated in a side-hinged table top located in the northwest corner. Built-in cupboard units along the south wall are constructed of vertical rough-cut 3" tongue and groove, varnished, and appear to be historic. An enameled sink is set within the lower cabinet unit and currently drains to a plastic jug. A pump line extends to the exterior but is not currently in use. Spike antler pulls alternate with the historic forged hardware. The vertical tongue-and-groove entry door also retains the original latch pull.

Barn (#339), 1930

The interior of this small log barn, containing a central room with stalls, a tack/feed room, and a hay loft, appears to be unmodified. In the central room 8" pine planks cover the ground floor and the interior walls are log. (A 1954 maintenance report describes the floors as 6" larch; the current floorboards, however, do not appear to be replacements.) The drop ceiling (the floor of the hayloft) is composed of log purlins topped with new 8" tongue-and-groove floorboards and new dimensional-lumber rafters. Pole frames, infilled with horizontal planks, form the stall walls and the feed troughs. A non-bearing frame wall, sided with horizontal shiplap, divides the tack room from the central space. The associated door is constructed of rough-cut vertical 4" tongue and groove, sandwiched over a central frame. The tack room floor is finished with 4" fir, painted, and all walls and the ceiling are finished with shiplap, painted white.
Logging Creek Ranger Station Historic District (addendum), Flathead County, MT.

A newly constructed dimensional lumber ladder provides interior access to the hayloft. Frame rafters/floor joist are set below the initiation of the gable slopes of the roof line, creating short interior log walls. New 8" flooring covers these joist. The ceiling is open to the roof, exposing the log truss system and roof boards. Loft features are limited to hay doors centered within each gable end. These doors are constructed of vertical boards secured with interior cross bracing.

Woodshed (#340), 1935

This woodshed is constructed of an exposed pole framing system, infilled with rough-cut 10" vertical siding. This siding, further supported with interior milled-lumber braces, also forms the interior walls. Substantial 10" x 1½" pine planks cover the floor. Surprisingly, these represent a modification: the 1954 maintenance report describes the floor as dirt. The ceiling is open to the roof, exposing the pole and milled-lumber truss system.

Toolhouse (#342), 1937

This building is constructed of an exposed pole framing system, infilled with 6" and 4" horizontal shiplap siding. This siding also forms the interior walls. As during the historic period, 4" fir covers the floors. The ceiling is open to the roof, exposing the wood-frame truss system. A large work bench/tool cupboard runs the length of the west wall. Substantial 12" by 2" planks form the countertop. The numerous drawers and the single cupboard door (paneled) appear to be constructed of pine, now well aged and honestly "distressed." Slightly tapered wood legs, approximately 8" long, support the structure. The simple drawer pulls, wide hinges, and latch appear to be original.

Oil Shed (#343), 1939

This small building is unique among park oil and gas houses in that it is sided in wood, rather than corrugated iron. Its utilitarian function is more evident on the interior, however, where worn concrete forms the floor and narrow rib corrugated iron covers the walls. The ceiling is open to the roof, exposing a new wood-frame truss system.

Fire Cache (#348), 1930

This small one-room log building provides seasonal employee housing. Four-inch fir planks, painted grey, cover the floor. Peeled logs, chinked with saplings, form the interior walls. The ceiling is open to the roof, exposing the simple wood-frame truss system. Multi-light windows, located near the eave line due to the low ceiling, form a dominant design element in the small space. Fixed furnishings include an enamel sink set in a simple plywood cupboard unit, and a wood stove paired with a sheet-metal surround and hearth. A small bed is secured to the northeast interior corner, high on the wall. The door is constructed of tongue-and-groove, secured with cross braces.
8. Statement of Significance

Without exception, the interiors of those buildings surveyed retain physical integrity and contribute to the buildings’ significance.

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Interior

Facing NE

Logging Creek #3 HD

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