1. Name of Property

historic name String Lake Comfort Station

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number N/A

city, town Moose

state Wyoming code WY county Teton code 039 zip code

3. Classification

Ownership of Property Category of Property No. of Resources within Property

-- private X building(s) contributing 1 noncontributing 0

-- public-local --- district 0

--- site 0

--- structure 0

--- object 0

X public-Federal --- Total 1

Name of related multiple property listing: Grand Teton National Park Historic

No. of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0
4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

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5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
  - See continuation sheet

- determined eligible for the National Register
  - See continuation sheet

- determined not eligible for the National Register

- removed from the National Register

- other, (explain:)

   Signature of the Keeper

6. Functions or Use

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### Description

**Architectural Classification**
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**Materials**
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Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The String Lake Comfort Station is a small building with a gabled roof and a very high window placement for interior lighting and privacy. The building is set near the eastern edge of String Lake in a picnic ground. The comfort station and picnic grounds are set at the base of the Teton Range. The building was at one time farther south, and was moved to its present location during the early 1960s. It was built in the Rustic style. The comfort station and the other National Park Service Rustic buildings at Grand Teton are characterized by log construction with some other wood products, such as board and batten type materials for doors. Trim is of rough cut "millwaste" type lumber and decoration is minimal. The building is one story. The design appears to be from a standard set of plans used by the National Park Service during the 1930s. It is almost identical to two other comfort stations at the Jenny Lake Ranger Station Historic District. Clearly evident is the attempt by the National Park Service to achieve the feeling of primitive log structures built with a high degree of craftsmanship. Earthtones are the predominate colors with brown stained walls and green wood shingles. Even though the building has been moved the exterior feeling, design, and character have not been lost. It still serves the same function that it did historically. The quality that sets the building apart from its surroundings is its Rustic architecture. There are no associated contributing outbuildings or structures for the comfort station.

__ See continuation sheet
8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: _____ nationally _____ statewide X locally

Applicable National Register Criteria  __A__  __B__  X  __C__  __D__  
Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)  __A__  __B__  __C__  __D__  __E__  __F__  __G__

Areas of Significance
(enter categories from instructions)  
architecture  

Period of Significance  1934-1939 
Significant Dates  

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Significant Person
N/A

Architect/Builder
Branch of Plans and Design, Western Division, NPS

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The String Lake Comfort Station is significant under Criteria C because it remains as a clear statement of the NPS Rustic style of the 1930s at Grand Teton National Park. Further, this comfort station is one of three examples of that particular building type in the Park. The comfort station is associated with the Rustic Architecture context of the Grand Teton National Park Multiple Property form.

The comfort station was built during the period 1934-1939 by either the Public Works Administration or the Civilian Conservation Corps for the National Park Service using Service developed plans for natural parks. Before its move to its present location the comfort station was located closer to the Jenny Lake Ranger Station, the main point of visitor contact at Grand Teton National Park until completion of the newer headquarters complex at Moose, Wyoming. The comfort station follows the practices typical of depression era Rustic architecture as expressed in Grand Teton and other western parks. The log building with its emphasis on hand craftsmanship and harmony with its surroundings makes it an excellent example of the style as outlined by National Park Service director Stephen Mather in 1918. The comfort station fulfills the registration requirements set forth in the multiple property documentation in that, despite its relocation, it is still used for visitor contact in a recreation area and still serves the same function it did historically and therefore still conveys its feeling and character and it is not in an inappropriate setting. It is fifty years old and is primarily constructed of logs. It is clearly Rustic in style and conveys its design, materials, workmanship, and function/character. The relocation did not lead to modification of the actual building and it retains its historic fabric.

See continuation sheet
9. Major Bibliographical References

Mehls, Steven F. and Drake, Carol J. "The Mirror of History: The Architecture of Grand Teton National Park Through Time." ms. prepared as part of National Park Service Contract CX-1200-7-B065, on file at Rocky Mountain Regional Office, Division of Cultural Resources, National Park Service.

Previous documentations on file (NPS): __ See continuation sheet
  __ preliminary determination of
  _ individual listing (36 CFR 67)
  _ has been requested
  _ previously listed in the National
  _ Register
  _ previously determined eligible by
  _ the National Register
  _ designated a National Historic
  _ Landmark
  _ recorded by Historic American
  _ Buildings Survey #
  _ recorded by Historic American
  _ Engineering Record #

Primary location of additional data: __ See continuation sheet
  __ State Historic Preservation Office
  _ Other State agency
  _ Federal agency
  _ Local government
  _ University
  _ Other
  _ Specify Repository:
  _ Grand Teton National Park, NPS

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property: less than 1 __ See continuation sheet

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nominated property is delineated by walls of the property itself and does not include any surrounding area or features because of the relocation.

The resource can be found on the Jenny Lake, Wyo., U.S.G.S. 7.5' quadrangle map. __ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary as described includes the building but no other features because the building has been relocated and thusly already lost its historic setting and is significant as an example of a rustic toilet. __ See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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Negative on file at Headquarters, Grand Teton National Park
The contributing resource for the String Lake Comfort Station is the comfort station, NPS building number 43.
SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 90000617 Date Listed:

String Lake Comfort Station Teton WY
Property Name County State

Grand Teton National Park MPS
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 4-23-90
Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

Statement of significance: Because the property is a moved building, criteria consideration b should be checked.

This information was confirmed with Mike Schene, Regional Historian, Rocky Mountain Regional Office, NPS.

DISTRIBUTION:
National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)