

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

REGION RMR PARK/AREA NAME ROMO PARK NUMBER 1520

STRUCTURE NAME Comfort Station STRUCTURE NUMBER HS-157

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Bear Lake PARK LOCATION CODE BL

NATIONAL REGISTER 5 DATE: 11 / 17 / 81 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:

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|-----------------------|------|----------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| 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 _____

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|---------------------|----------|-------|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Stabilization: | \$ _____ | Date: | <u> / /</u> | Level of Estimate: | (A) (B) (C) |
| Approved Treatment: | \$ _____ | Date: | <u> / /</u> | Estimator: | (Region) (DSC) (A&E) |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: / / 1940 Date of Alterations: / /
Architect/Designer: W. C. Hill Historical Theme(s): NPS Rustic Architecture
History of Structure: Built at an estimated cost of \$6,000, plans for Building #157 were designed by W. C. Hill, working under Howard W. Baker, Regional Landscape Architect, Branch of Plans and Design, Second Regional Office. The structure demonstrates excellent use of native materials to blend in with the natural surroundings.

THE STRUCTURE WAS DETERMINED ELIGIBLE ON NOVEMBER 11, 1981

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

This wood frame structure's use of native materials and its construction techniques demonstrate a continuum of the "NPS Rustic" architectural style into the 1940's. There are no records of any alterations.

Bibliography: ROMO Building Maintenance Files; "Supt. Annual Reports, 1931-1953," ROMO.

Representation in Other Surveys: LCS David Adams 1/14/82

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

Report prepared by: Carl and Karen McWilliams Date: 8/1 1985

JUN 5 1987

CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME HS-157 Comfort Station

LOCATION: Section _____ State CO USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) QT-Comfort Stati
Township 4N County _____ Original Use Same
Range 74W Intermediate Uses Same
PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) _____

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: U.S. Govt. DRAWING NO. RMNP 2023 B
Original Owner: U.S. Govt. NEGATIVE NO. _____
Intermediate Owner(s): None
Roll 10 Negative 16

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

TYPE OF STRUCTURE (NPS 28 CODE): BU CHIMNEYS: One - of uncoursed fieldstone, located centrally on ridge. Three - Metal vent pipes.
ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER (STYLE): NPS Rustic Architecture PORCHES: None
SITE (INCLUDE ORIENTATION OF STRUCTURE): Pine and fir forest. Large boulders. Slope N. to S. Asphalt path to W. and S. Facade to S. WINDOWS: Eight - 2-ganged, 6-light, hoppers. Rectangular, gold wood frames, flat arches.
OVERALL BUILDING PLAN (FOOTPRINT): Rectangular
Bays: 2 by 1; Pile: 1
OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 31'5" by 13'3" DOORS: Three - Single, gold, vertical wood boards, on E., W., and S. elevations.
COMPOSITION (NPS 28 CODE): WD ADDITIONS: None
STORIES: One INTERIOR PLAN: Three rooms used as men's and women's lavatory and utility.
FOUNDATION: Low to high, 0'4" to 5'2", of buttressed, uncoursed fieldstone forming a plain watertable. INTERIOR FINISHES: Walls: Plaster.
Ceiling: Exposed log framing.
Floors: Poured concrete.
WALLS: Brown. Wood frame with lapped siding.
ROOF: Gable. Green wood shingles doubled every fifth course. Exposed half log rafter ends.

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

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

11/17/81

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Bear Lake Comfort Station

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Bear Lake Rocky Mountain National Park

-- NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Estes Park

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

STATE

Colorado

VICINITY OF

CODE

08

COUNTY

Larimer

CODE

069

2 CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | PRESENT USE |
|---|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC | <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S) | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> BOTH | <input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SITE | <input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION | <input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT | <input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED | <input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS (If applicable)

National Park Service

STREET & NUMBER

655 Parfet Street

CITY, TOWN

Denver

STATE

Colorado

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Subject site within the boundaries of Rocky Mountain

STREET & NUMBER

National Park, created from the public lands by Act of

CITY, TOWN

Congress of January 26, 1915.

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

List of Classified Structures Inventory

DATE

1976

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

National Park Service, Rocky Mountain Regional Office

CITY, TOWN

Denver

STATE

Colorado

JUN 5 1987

7 DESCRIPTION

| CONDITION | | CHECK ONE | CHECK ONE |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bear Lake Comfort Station is sited at the west end of the Bear Lake Parking Area in a mixed forest of spruce, fir and lodgepole pine.

The frame structure, 13'4" x 29', sits on a concrete foundation on the sloping terrain. The exterior is faced with a masonry wall of uncoursed rubblestone to a height of 5' and the upper portion of the exterior wall is of horizontal lapped siding.

The roof is supported by a log ridgepole and log plates. Wood shingles lie on a decking which is in turn supported by a continuous course of pole rafters, each sawed in half lengthwise so as to provide a smooth surface to support the decking.

The interior walls are of plaster and lath construction. The concrete foundation forms the floor of the structure, and the pole rafters form the interior finish of the ceiling.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

| PERIOD | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900. | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES Built 1940-41 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Bear Lake Comfort Station is significant for its architectural responsiveness and compatibility with its site. This structure typifies the demise of the rustic architecture of the CCC era.

The drawings for the Bear Lake Comfort Station are on file at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office of the National Park Service in Denver, Colorado.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Building Folder, Rocky Mountain National Park
Superintendent's Monthly Reports, Rocky Mountain National Park.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

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|---|------|---------|----------|-----|-----|-------|---|------|---------|----------|
| A | 1,3 | 4,4,5 | 1,8,5 | 4,4 | 6,2 | 4,1,5 | B | | | |
| | ZONE | EASTING | NORTHING | | | | | ZONE | EASTING | NORTHING |
| C | | | | | | | D | | | |

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

A square, approximately 208.5 feet on a side, with the Bear Lake Comfort Station at its center.

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

| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |
|-------|------|--------|------|
| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

D. Ferrel Atkins, Ranger-Technician

ORGANIZATION

National Park Service

DATE

July 28, 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Rocky Mountain National Park

TELEPHONE

(303) 586-2371

CITY OR TOWN

Estes Park

STATE

Colorado

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES___ NO___ NONE___

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is ___ National ___ State ___ Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

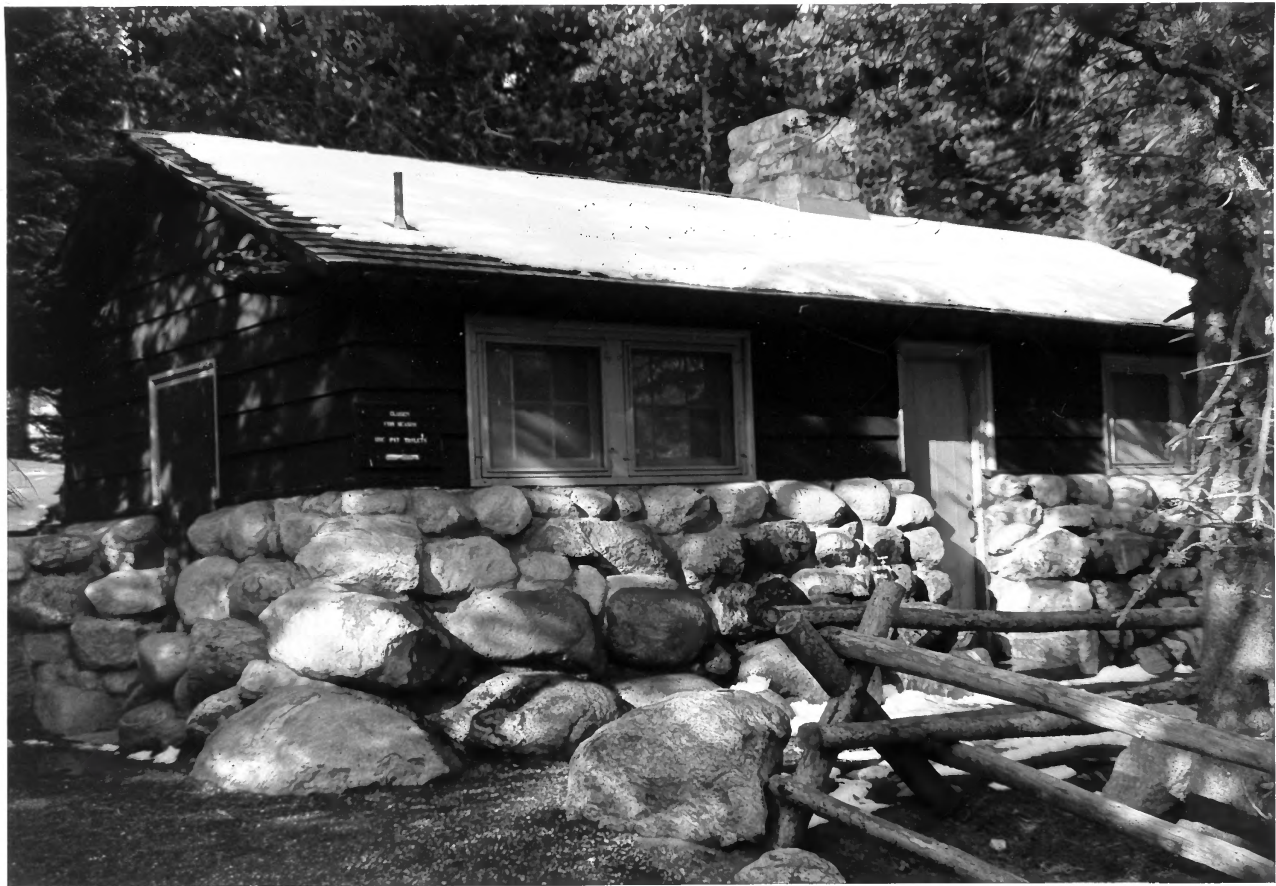
DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



NAME: Bear Lake Comfort Station (HS-157)
LOCATION: Rocky mountain National Park, Colorado
VIEW: Southwest
LOCATION OF NEGATIVE: National Park Service,
Rocky Mountain Regional Office, Denver, CO
DATE: Summer 1985
PHOTOGRAPHER: McWilliams