**NAME**

Quinn Ranger Station

**LOCATION**

Quinn's Horse Camp

**CLASSIFICATION**

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**AGENCY**

National Park Service, Western Regional Office

**LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Mineral King & Monkey Blvd., Mineral King, California

**REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

None
The Quin Hors Camp Ranger Station is thirteen feet by nineteen feet, a one-room cabin standing in a dense pine and fir forest on the southeast corner of the Quin Hors Camp Meadow near the southern boundary of Sequoia National Park. The walls of the cabin are split log placed vertically with the rounded portions to the outside. The two nine-feet-long walls both have a central door and two windows. The shorter ends are without openings. The cabin has a wooden floor. The gable roof is made of shakes attached to a wooden frame. The vertical split logs which form the walls rest on a horizontal log serving as a sill. This sill rests on a foundation of granite and wooden blocks. The doors are presently made of plywood and the four glass windows are also covered with plywood shutters. The interior of the cabin includes a wood burning cook stove with a metal stove pipe which passes through the cabin roof, and a sink. The interior is panelled with a type of fiberboard and the interior ceiling of the structure is made of the same substance. No other buildings of significance stand in the vicinity.

As originally built in 1907 the cabin had a floor of split logs and was without any interior paneling or ceiling. A renovation apparently was made during the 1950's or the 1960's that placed new floors under the walls, improved the foundation, added interior paneling, and attached wood doors and shutters to the cabin. The building is otherwise unaltered.

Two old metal trail signs made of green and white porcelain on stake stands a tree near the northeast door of the cabin.

Old photographs show a barn standing to the north of the cabin approximately seventy-five feet. This structure is gone although traces remain in the form of rotted timbers are still on the site. A rail fence which once stood to the northeast of the cabin is also gone.
### SIGNIFICANCE

**PERIOD**

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**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:** CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

- **RAMPARCHITECTURE**
- **SOCIAL/HISTORICAL**
- **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**
- **ARTS**
- **HNTRARTS**
- **SCULPTURE**
- **SOCIETY**
- **THEATER**
- **HISTORICAL**
- **TRANSPORTATION**
- **OTHER**

**SPECIFIC DATES**

- **Built 1907**
- **Builder: Harry Britton (Bund)**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

As the only remaining ranger station dating from the period when the United States Army administered Sequoia National Park, the august structure is of local significance in the history of military and conservation history.

Soon after the creation of Sequoia National Park by Congress in 1899, the United States Army was designated to administer and protect the new park. The first troops assigned to this duty arrived in the early spring of 1901, and from 1902 to 1930, various improvements were made to the camp which served as a center for protection and research. The camp was established as the first military force and was used by the Civilian Park Rangers who had been hired by the Department of the Interior in 1900 to work under the direction of the Army.

In his annual report for 1909, Superintendent E. L. Young recommended the erection of a special cabin in the extreme southern portion of the park as a location known as Grant's Camp.

Before 1909, Grant's Camp was the approximate site of a guard station operated by an early civilization. In 1917, the area was named Sequoia Rangers, which was under the direction of the Southern California Rangers.

In 1930, Captain Walker returned to Sequoia as Assistant Superintendent during the period of 1935 and 1937 and during this time he coordinated the activities of the Grant Station. The immediate responsibilities for building the cabin fell to the three park rangers then employed at Grant's Camp, and many of the tasks required to build the cabin were carried out by these men.

Captain Britton continued to use the cabin for the next few years as a base for patrolling the southern portion of the park. In 1917, when the National Park Service took over the existing Grant Station, it was left at Grant's Camp. The cabin was used as a ranger station for the years 1917 to 1930. In 1930, Captain Britton was recommended to use as a ranger station for the years 1937 to 1940. It remains in that use today.
MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES


GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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GRID REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Commencing at a point forty (40) feet north of the north corner of the Quinnc Ranger Station, proceed east eighty (80) feet; thence south one hundred (100) feet; thence west one hundred (100) feet; thence north one hundred (100) feet; thence east forty (40) feet to point of beginning.

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CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

1-6-74

IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER 11563 "HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT" STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER HAS BEEN THE STATE'S OFFICIAL APPROVAL TO THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE STATE HERITAGE BOARD FOR THE REASONS STATED ABOVE.

STATE HERITAGE BOARD RECOMMENDATION

DATE: JLY 11 1978

NATIONAL NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE RECOGNITION

DATE: 1-17-77

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE RECOGNITION

DATE: 1-17-77
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AND/OR COMMON Quinn Patrol Cabin, Quinn's Horse Camp

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IDENTIFICATION
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Northeast side of station

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