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

REGION RMR PARK/AREA NAME Zion National Park PARK NUMBER 1590
STRUCTURE NAME Comfort Station STRUCTURE NUMBER 129
LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Grotto Picnic Area PARK LOCATION CODE LG
NATIONAL REGISTER DATE: MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)
NPS LEGAL INTEREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT:

Check all of the following categories for which NFS 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 (PF) Restoration (RR) Reconstruction (CC)
Adaptive Preservation (AP) Adaptive Restoration (AR) Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)
Neglect (NG) Remove (RM) No Approved Treatment (NO)

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: 12/1925 Date of Alterations: 12/1959
Historical Theme(s): Preservation
Architect/Designer: Historical Theme Contributing X Non-Contribution
History of Structure: This comfort station, the more southern of the two in the
Grotto Picnic Area, is the oldest extant comfort station in the Park. Built at
an original cost of $1,500 one year after the Grotto Residence was built, it was
remodelled in 1959 by Park maintenance crews. Like the nearby residence, it is an
excellent example of the massive, heavily rusticated style found in structures built
in Zion in the 1920s.
Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contribution
National Register Criteria: A B C X D (Include integrity statement)
Built of massive and minimally-dressed sandstone ashlars blocks, the comfort station
retains its original character and fabric typical of the NFS-Rustic style.

Bibliography: Form 10-768 (Maintenance files); Oliver-1. Lase. LCS inventory, 1976;
Representation in Other Surveys: LCS inventory, 1976;

If structure has been removed, how? Date: / /
Report prepared by: Nancy Witherell Date: 10/10/84
Continuation from Front Sheet - Structure Name: Grotto Picnic Area Comfort Station (No. 129)

Location: Section Utah
Township Washington
Range

Ownership: Present Owner: NPS
Original Owner: NPS
Intermediate Owner(s): NPS

Use: Current Interior Use (NPS 28 Code): VC
Original Use: comfort station
Intermediate Uses: comfort station

Period of Construction (NPS 28 Code): H 1

Negative No. Roll #15, View 10

***Physical Description***

Type of Structure (NPS 28 Code): BU

Architectural Character (Style): NPS-Rustic

Site (Include Orientation of Structure):
Located at Grotto Picnic area, E of Scenic Drive

Overall Building Plan (Footprint): Rectangle

Overall Dimensions: 16'6" x 25' 6"

Composition (NPS 28 Code): ST

Stories: one

Foundation: Stone, low foundation with buttressed foundation

Walls: Massive quarried red sandstone blocks with courses of 15-18 inches in height at ground level,

Roof: board and batten wood cladding in gable faces,
asphalt roof; 6" x 8" beams, 4"x6" rafters; 2' overhang
on roof sides with 3' projection of gable on front gable elevation.

Chimneys: none

Porches: none

Windows: 5 wood casement windows in row on each long facade

Doors: wood doors on 3 sides (to each restroom, n and s) and on west elevation

Additions: none

Interior Plan: 2 rooms (men's and women's restrooms)

Interior Finishes: modernized - drywall plus tile in 1959

Significant Architectural Features (Including Interior and Setting) for Park Planning Purposes:

Structure retains original wall fabric and fenestration