REGION: RMR
PARK/AREA NAME: Zion National Park
PARK NUMBER: 1590

STRUCTURE NAME: Pine Creek Irrigation Canal
STRUCTURE NUMBER: IR 15

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE: Pine Creek Canal
PARK LOCATION CODE: PG

NATIONAL REGISTER: [DATE]
MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST: FEE
MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: [No Mgmt. Agreement]

CHECK ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES FOR WHICH NPS HAS TREATMENT RESPONSIBILITY:

- Stabilization
- Cyclic Maintenance
- Routine Maintenance
- Approved Ultimate Treatment

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APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:

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: [Level of Approval Document Date: / /]

Stabilization: $ [Date: / /]
Approved Treatment: $ [Date: / /]

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:
Inoperable Park owned irrigation canal of historical and architectural significance.

Date of Construction: approx. 1890s
Date of Alterations: 1934

Architect/Designer: Pioneer/H. Langley
Historical Theme(s): Pioneer Settlement-Irrig.

History of Structure: Developed by Zion Canyon agriculturalists in 1890s. the canal drew water off Pine Creek, ran approx. 2 miles to the S and irrigated the "island" of cultivated land between the Virgin R. and Bridge Mt. Delivery system became Park property in 1931 with S boundary expansion. Canal headworks extended 1/4 mile N by CCC forces of Camp NP 2 in 1934. Point of diversion was the E bank of the N Fork Virgin R. and water so diverted was flumed over Pine Creek by Public Works built system, built 1934

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contributing __
National Register Criteria: A_ B_ C_ D_ (Include integrity statement)

Although inoperable, the canal retains much of its structural integrity. It has representative examples of pioneer rockwork, water delivery system artifacts and remnants of CCC engineering involvement along its 2.4 (approx.) mile course.


Representation in Other Surveys: No.

If structure has been removed, how? __________________ Date: / /

Report prepared by: James Jurale Date: 1905 / 1984
The Pine Creek Canal, which originally drew water off Pine Creek immediately to the northeast of its confluence with the Virgin River, ran to the south at the foot of a talus slope and sent laterals to the west to irrigate the 2½ mile by ½ mile "island" of farm land located between the east bank of the Virgin River and Bridge Mountain. In 1934, the canal's headworks were extended approx. ¼ mile to the north to augment Pine Creek's sometimes inadequate water supply with water diverted from the Virgin River. Located on the E bank of the Virgin River approx. ⅔ mile to the N of the Virgin River Bridge, the extant remains of the headworks which were completed by CCC enrollees in 1934 consist of a 15' diameter red sandstone boulder with steel rods and 2" steel beams that have been drilled and grouted into the rock. This Public Works Project also refurbished the canal's delivery system and was completed by the "juniors" of Camp NP 2. The extant remains of the extension flume over Pine Creek include: sections of steel cable and steel pipe supports, and an approx. 2 ton sandstone boulder with 2 concrete patties on its surface—one inscribed, 1934, the other with, N. F.

Sections of "dry" random rubble, pioneer-built, rock retaining walls which supported the canal bed are apparent, as well as water delivery system artifacts, such as the well preserved remains of a 15'-long stave pipe flume constructed of oak slats, and wire rings with a 18" diameter, which conveyed water over a gulch located approx. ⅜ mile to the south of Pine Creek. The sketchy remains of an associated irrigation system, the Flanigan Ditch, which reportedly took off from a boulder dam on the west side of the Virgin River opposite the Supt's House and was flumed to the east bank, are also found in the area.

The work conducted in 1934 was under the supervision of Zion National Park Resident Landscape Architect, Harry Langley and directed on-site by Landscape Architect, A.M. Doerner, and Civil Works Project Landscape Architect, George W. Norgard. In September 1934, Harlan B. Stephensen, Landscape Architect on leave from Bryce National Park, was in charge of removing the dead cottonwoods from the banks of the canal between the mouth of Pine Creek and the South...
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Subject Pine Creek Irrigation Canal
      Pine Creek (canal)
Descrip. of View South
Location of Subject Zion N.P.
Location of Negative RMRE
By Clay Frasier Date 8/784