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

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340
STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Cabin STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 28
LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek Canyon PARK LOCATION CODE PG
NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / 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:

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 _____

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: ca/ / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / none apparent
Architect/Designer: Kirk, Lee Historical Theme(s): Farming Early/Ranching Late
History of Structure: This cabin, built by a (VI F4) (VII A4)
homesteader, Lee Kirk during the late 19th century on his claim, was to have been
the center of his farming operation. He was unable to keep his farm going and he
abandoned the site after a few years. Since then it appears to have been used
periodically by cowboys tending herds grazing in the area. Since the land was taken
over by the NPS the cabin appears to have been used by hikers & backpackers as shelter.
Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing ☒ Non-Contributing _____
National Register Criteria: Ax B_ C_ D_ (Include integrity statement)
The cabin retains both locational and a high degree of physical integrity. In
association with it is a wagon frame Kirk reportedly hauled in to use to carry his
farm products to market.
Bibliography: C/S Mehls. Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource Study,
BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, Utah
Representation in Other Surveys: 1975 LCS (not visited)

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

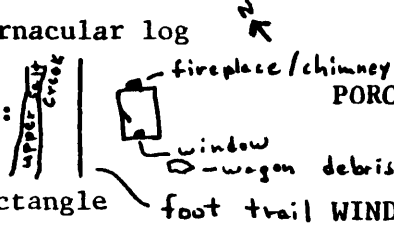
Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/28/86

Condition: G
Documentation: F
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: L/WEA/POP
External Impacts: L/WEA/POP

LOCATION: Section 20 State Utah USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00
Township 32S County San Juan Original Use Homestead/Residence
Range 20E Intermediate Uses _____
PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS DRAWING NO. _____
Original Owner: Lee Kirk NEGATIVE NO. CAB 8, # 8, 9, 10, 11
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

TYPE OF STRUCTURE (NPS 28 CODE): BU CHIMNEYS: fieldstone & fieldstone fireplace
ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER (STYLE): vernacular log 
SITE (INCLUDE ORIENTATION OF STRUCTURE): PORCHES: n/a
OVERALL BUILDING PLAN (FOOTPRINT): rectangle WINDOWS: 1 opening - square
OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 18'x22'4"
COMPOSITION (NPS 28 CODE): WD DOORS: 1 opening, metal hinges in door frame
STORIES: 1 ADDITIONS: None
FOUNDATION: random and rough cut fieldstone
WALLS: hewn log, false cornered notches, mud & pole daubing & chinking, partially held together with 1" diameter wood pegs INTERIOR PLAN: open
ROOF: low end gabled, 2 center ridge poles, pole & soil INTERIOR FINISHES: rough hewn log/dirt floor ceiling is inside of pole roof

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

Hikers & camper use of interior may potentially damage or destroy this resource.

NOTE: The structure may have been significantly rebuilt and altered by volunteer stabilization efforts in 1976. Also, post-survey NPS patrols indicate that two walls have been severely damaged by visitors during 1986.

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REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340

STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Corral STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 29

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek PARK LOCATION CODE PG

NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

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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 _____

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca/ / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / none apparent
Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming, Early/Ranching/Late
History of Structure: This corral was built by (VI E4) (VII A4)
Lee Kirk as an improvement to his homestead and probably was used to contain
his riding & draft horses. Later it may have been used by cowboys tending livestock
grazing in the area. It appears to have been abandoned before the NPS took control
of the area with the creation of Canyonlands National Park in 1964.

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

The site retains integrity of location, but is badly deteriorated. Its function
is only marginally apparent from the physical remains.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource
Study; BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, UT.
Representation in Other Surveys: NO

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

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4 / 28 / 86

Condition: P
Documentation: P
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: M/POP/WEA
External Impacts: M/POP/WEA

CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Corral

LOCATION: Section 20 State Utah USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/77
 Township 32S County San Juan Original Use Stock Tending
 Range 20E Intermediate Uses _____
 PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

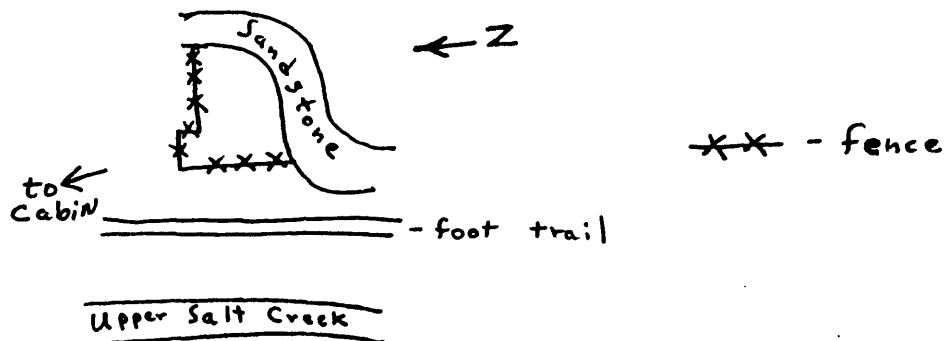
OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS DRAWING NO. _____
 Original Owner: Lee Kirk NEGATIVE NO. CAB 8, # 12, 13
 Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: FE
 Materials: WD
 Dimensions: 120'x150' approx.

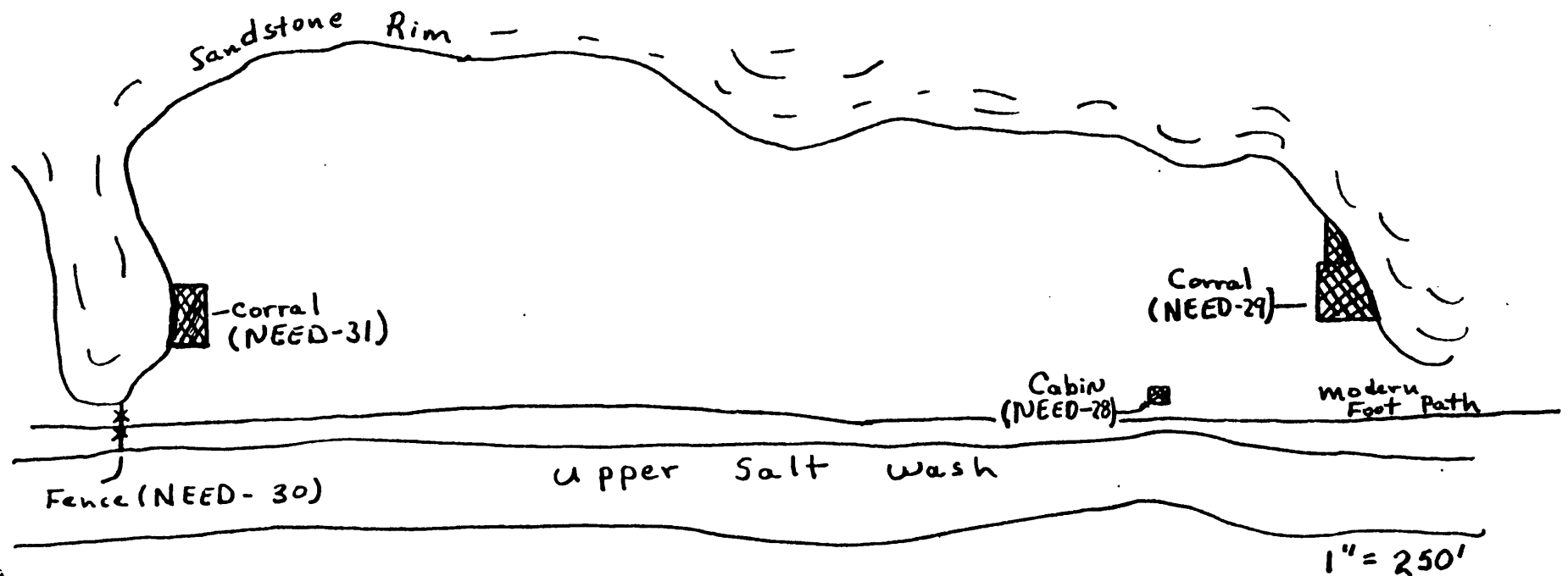
The site is a corral built by constructing two post and pole fences and using natural sandstone walls for the other two sides. The posts are made of 2 poles pegged together and the fence was of horizontally laid poles.



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

Kirk's Cabin Complex

Canyonlands National Park



LOCATION:

QUARTY

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CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
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REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340
STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Fence STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 30
LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Creek Canyon PARK LOCATION CODE PG
NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)
NPS LEGAL INTEREST Fee MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

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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 _____

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca/ / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / unknown
Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming/Early/Ranching/Late
History of Structure: This fence was built (VI E4) (VII A4)
soon after Kirk settled his claim & it denotes a boundary for his attempted
farm. After Kirk abandoned his claim it was used by ranchers grazing in
the area. Grazing ceased after it became part of Canyonlands National Park
in 1964.

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

The fence, due to erosion, which has removed a portion of it, and later
modifications by grazers, no longer has more than marginal physical
integrity other than its location.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource
Study; BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, UT.
Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? NP (partially) Date: / / unknown

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4 /28/ 86

Condition: F
Documentation: P
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: M/ERO/POP
External Impacts: M/ERO/POP

CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Fence

LOCATION: Section 20 State Utah
Township 32S County San Juan
Range 20E

USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/ZZOriginal Use FarmingIntermediate Uses Stock TendingPERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HIOWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPSOriginal Owner: Lee KirkIntermediate Owner(s): BLM

DRAWING NO. _____

NEGATIVE NO. CAB 8, # 14, 15

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

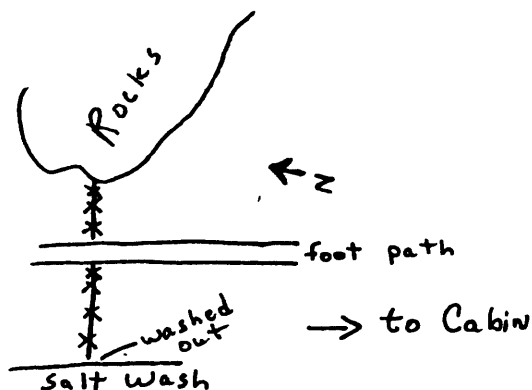
(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: FE

Materials: WD/MT

Dimensions: 1'x185' approximate

This is a fence built to denote the edge of Kirk's pasture in the same twin post and pole manner he built his corral (NEED - 29). It was later partially remade into a standard single post barbed wire fence.



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

CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
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REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Canyonlands Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1340
STRUCTURE NAME Kirk's Second Corral STRUCTURE NUMBER NEED - 31
LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Upper Salt Wash PARK LOCATION CODE PG
NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)
NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

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 _____

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: ca / / 1890 Date of Alterations: / / unknown
Architect/Designer: Lee Kirk Historical Theme(s): Farming, Early/Ranching, Late
History of Structure: This corral, while similar (VI E4) (VII A4)
to the fences and other corral built by Kirk, may date to a later period.
It was probably used by cowboys tending herds grazing in the area. Grazing
was halted in the area after the creation of Canyonlands National Park
in 1964.

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

The structure retains locational integrity and enough physical integrity to
make its function apparent. However, it appears to have been modified
and expanded at various times.

Bibliography: C/S Mehls, Canyonlands, Arches & Natural Bridges Historic Resource
Study; BLM Land Records, BLM, Utah State Office, Salt Lake City, Utah
Representation in Other Surveys: NO

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

Report prepared by: S. Mehls Date: 4/28/86

Condition: F
Documentation: P
Significance: L
Internal Impacts: M/VEG
External Impacts: M/VEG/POP

LOCATION: Section 20 State Utah
Township 32S County San Juan
Range 20E

USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) 00/ZZ
Original Use Stock Tending
Intermediate Uses _____
PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS
Original Owner: Lee Kirk
Intermediate Owner(s): BLM

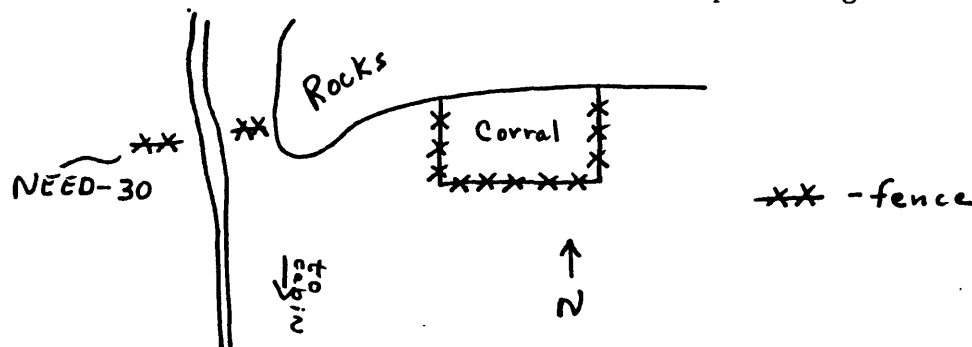
DRAWING NO. _____
NEGATIVE NO. CAB 8, # 16, 17

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: FE
Materials: WD/MT
Dimensions: 45' x 110' (approx.)

This is a twin post and pole corral with fences on three sides and a rock wall for the fourth. Its construction is similar to the other Kirk's corral and Kirk's fence, except that no pegs were used. Instead, wire held the posts together.



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

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National Park Service

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Kirk's Cabin Complex(ranching theme):

Kirk's Cabin
Kirk's Corral
Kirk's Fence
Kirk's Second Corral

The buildings presently located at the Kirk's Cabin Complex are of a vernacular log ranch style, based on log building materials that were secured from locally available sources. All the resources exhibit a craftsmanship slightly higher than that typically associated with pioneer log building, particularly the use of drilled holes and wooden pegs in the their construction. All are in their original locations and have a high degree of physical integrity. Near the cabin are the remains of a wagon and other machinery dating to the late nineteenth century. The cabin has been maintained by the National Park Service, through volunteer help. However, the work was done using the same types of materials and the same techniques used historically. The building lines have not been changed. Only the fence has lost some of its physical integrity due to erosion of the creek bank at one end. The interior of the cabin is not considered significant because of recent graffiti put on the walls by visitors.

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88001252 Date Listed: 10/7/88

Kirk's Cabin Complex	San Juan	UT
Property Name	County	State

Canyonlands National Park MRA
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.

Patrick Andrus
Signature of the Keeper10/7/88
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Resource count should be one building and 3 structures. This issue has been discussed with Mary Shivers Culpin of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

DISTRIBUTION:

National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)



HS-NEED-28

KIRK'S CABIN REAR

REAR N side

CANYONLANDS, NP

Location of

Photos: KIRK

S. MENZ

Date 9/81

Roll 8, #8



LOG No HS-NEED-28
Photo No _____
Subject KIRK'S CABIN/FRONT
Description of View FRONT / S. S. side
SW to NE
Location of Subject CANTONLANDS
Location of Negative RMRO.
By S. Melis Date 9/86

Roll 8, #9



LOG No HS-NEED-29
Photo No _____
Subject CORRAL
GENERAL
Description of View _____
Location of Subject CANYONLANDS
Location of Negative RMPD
By S. MEHLIS Date 9/46

Roll 8, #12



LCS No. NEED-30

Photo No. CARE # 14

Subject Kirk's Fence

Descrip. of View SAC General, WDS

Location of Subject Camp 2005 HP

Location of Negative RYND-115

By S. F. Webb Date 4/28/83



LOG No 15-NEED-30

Photo No ~~15-NEED-30~~

Subject FENCE

Description of View GENERAL
NE to SW

Location of Subject CANYONLANDS

Location of Negative RMPD

By S. MEHL Date 9/86

Roll 8, #15



LOG No HS-NEED-31

Photo No

Subject SECOND CORRAL

Description of View DETAIL OF FENCE
W to E

Location of Subject CANYONLANDS

Location of Negative RMRO

By S. MEHLIS Date 9/86

Roll 8, #16



LCS No. NEER-31
Photo No. CN-24-17
Subject Site Second Corral

Descrip. of View Site General W.D.S.E
Location of Subject Campground NE

Location of Negative NE-20-11F-2

By W.D.S.E Date 9/22/66