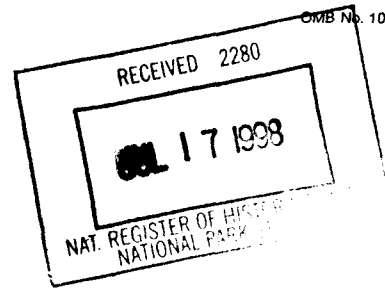


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM



1. Name of Property

historic name: Triangle X Barn

other name/site number: Lee Cabin/Smithsonian Number 48TE0967

2. Location

street & number: East side of Grand Teton National Park, north of Shadow Mountain

not for publication: N/A

viciuity: X

city/town: Moose

state: Wyoming code: WY

county: code: 039

zip code: 83012

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Ronald M. Greenberg
Signature of certifying official/Title

7-9-98
Date

Department of Interior, National Park Service
State or Federal agency or bureau

In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Maile Buckle-wade
Signature of commenting or other official

5-15-98
Date

Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

✓ entered in the National Register
 see continuation sheet

 determined eligible for the National Register
 see continuation sheet

 determined not eligible for the National Register
 see continuation sheet

 removed from the National Register
 see continuation sheet

Jenna McClelland 8/19/98

5. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal	Number of Resources within Property	
Category of Property: Building	Contributing	Noncontributing
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A	<u>1</u>	<u> </u>
Name of related multiple property listing: Grand Teton National Park Multiple Property Listing	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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building(s)

sites

structures

objects

Total

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions:

Agriculture/agricultural outbuilding; Recreation and Culture/outdoor recreation

Current Function:

Agriculture/agricultural outbuilding; Recreation and Culture/outdoor recreation

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Other: vernacular

Materials:

foundation: stone

walls: log

roof: wood

other: metal

Narrative Description

The Triangle X barn (#707) is part of the outbuilding complex of the only dude ranch still in operation within Grand Teton National Park -- the NPS-licensed Triangle X. The ranch sits on the top of a colluvial fan immediately north of Shadow Mountain. The vegetation surrounding the site consists of mixed grasses and forbes as well as irrigated hay fields. These treeless meadows offer unobstructed views in all directions, including a panorama of the entire Teton Range and the Snake River. An unimproved dirt road provides access from Highway 89.

The Triangle X barn is a one-and-one-half story log building with a rectangular footprint constructed on a stone-pier and log foundation. The first ten log courses, taken from neighbor John Fee's partially-completed homestead cabin, are dovetailed. The six courses composing the half-story are square notched, daubed with cobble-and-cement daubing secured with lath stops. Random-width (6"-12") vertical planks, painted red, clad the gable ends. Unpainted vertical planks also cover the steep gable roof, which features a large hay hood extending beyond the south gable peak. All doors described below are constructed of vertical-planks/interior braces, are trimmed with milled-lumber, and are secured with the original iron hardware. Lath and poles trim the two windows.

The front (south) elevation contains a vertical-plank door, centered in the ground story and flanked to either side by a window opening. The east window is six-light fixed-sash. All glazing has been removed from the west window. A substantial bottom-hinged hay door is centered in the half-story, beneath the hay hood.

See continuation page.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria: C**Criteria Considerations (Exceptions):** N/A**Significant Person(s):** N/A**Cultural Affiliation:** N/A**Areas of Significance:** Architecture**Period(s) of Significance:** 1928**Significant Dates:** N/A**Architect/Builder:** John Fee

Narrative Statement of Significance¹

Ca. 1928, J.C. Turner of the Triangle X dude ranch moved dovetailed logs from neighbor John Fee's partially-completed homestead cabin to the Triangle X ranch where the logs were used to form the first ten courses of Turner's new barn. The barn is a graphic visual representation of divergent notching types; a reminder of the extent to which resources are reused in a frontier economy; and an example of the close connection between vernacular, "pioneer," architecture and its dude-ranch successor. The barn meets the registration requirements for the vernacular architecture property type as defined in the Grand Teton National Park Multiple Property Submission. Because of modifications to the dude-ranch site with which the barn was historically associated, the building is not eligible for listing in the NRHP under criterion A. The barn's period of significance is limited to the year of construction, 1928.

¹ In 1989, the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office determined that the dude ranch complex retained insufficient physical integrity for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Concurrently, SHPO requested that the barn be reevaluated under a revised vernacular-architecture context.

Name of Property

County and State

9. Major Bibliographic References

Bertschy, Louise Turner. Telephone interview with Ann Hubber, Historical Research Associates, December, 1995.

NPS, *Fixed Property Records*, Property Office, GRTE Headquarters, Moose Wyoming.

Union Pacific Railroad, *Dude Ranches Out West*, n.d. (ca. 1940), Subject File: Dude Ranching, TCHC.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.

☐ previously listed in the National Register

☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register

☐ designated a National Historic Landmark

☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey _____

☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

☒ State Historic Preservation Office

☐ Other State agency

☐ Federal agency

☐ Local government

☐ University

☐ Other -- Specify Repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: less than one acre

UTM References:

Zone
A 12

Easting
534860

Northing
4845628

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries parallel the foundation of the barn, 10' beyond the eaveline.

Boundary Justification

These boundaries conform to National Register guidelines for architecturally significant properties where integrity of the adjacent (and historically associated) land base has been compromised.

11. Form Prepared By

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Property Owner

name/title: National Park Service

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city or town: Moose state: WY zip code: 83012

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7. Narrative Description, continued

North elevation features are limited to a double-leaf door centered in the ground story and a half-height side-hinged door centered in the half-story. The upper door is accessed by a milled-lumber ladder nailed to the exterior wall.

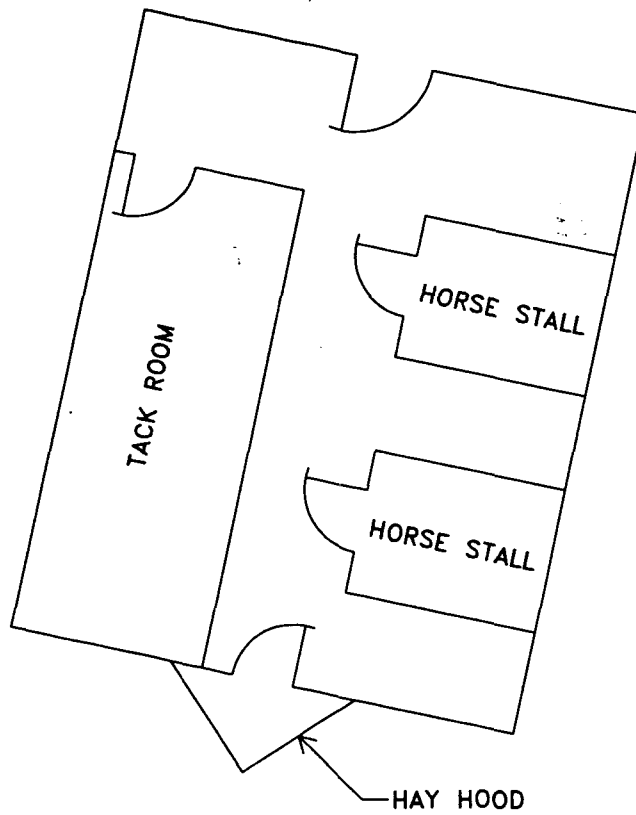
There are no features in the east or west elevations. A substantial corral system extends from the south and east elevations of the barn.

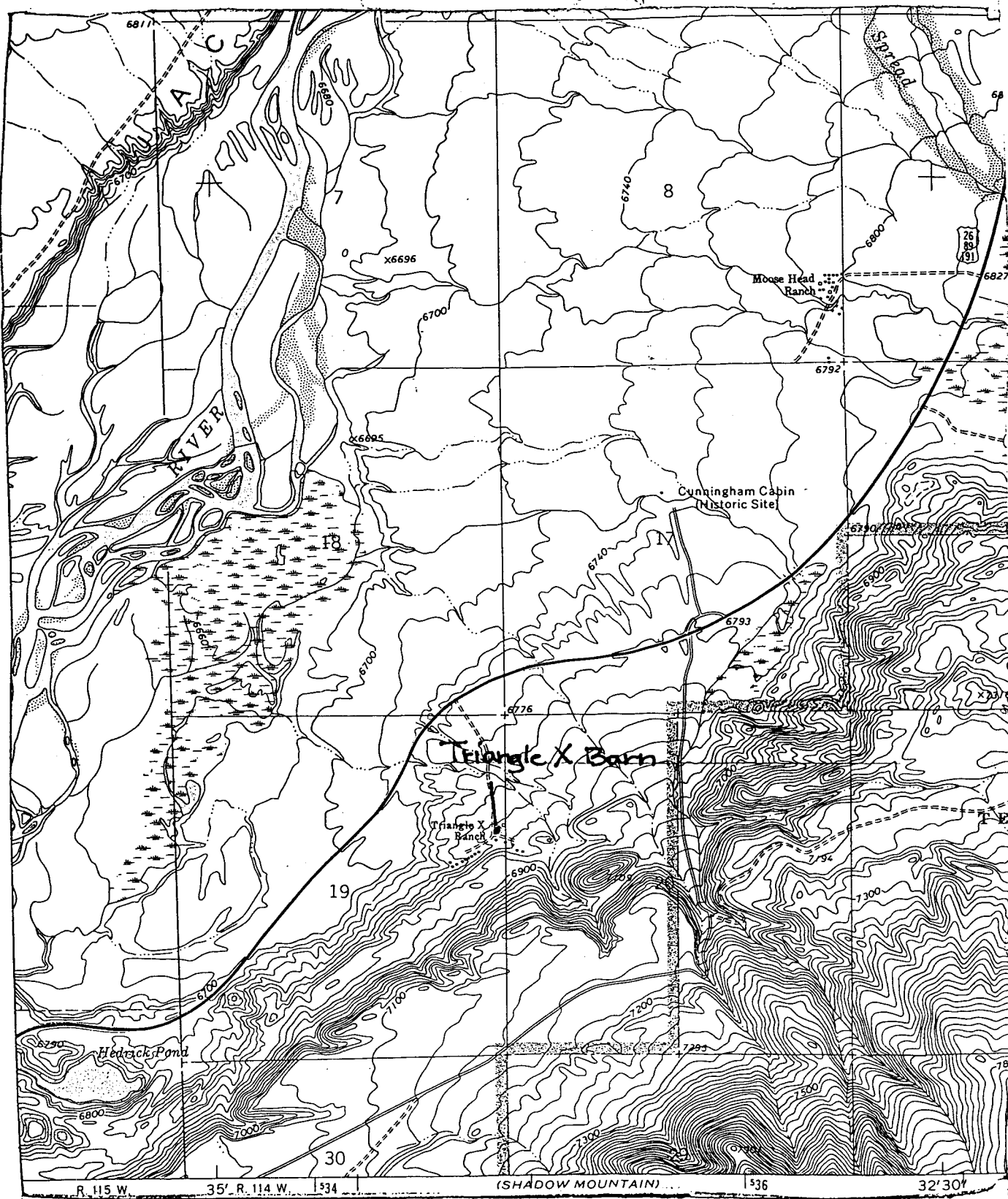
Interior

A central aisle, running between the north and south elevation entries, divides the interior of the Triangle X barn. The aisle is flanked to the west by two horse stalls and to the east by a substantial tack room. Exterior walls are log, chinked with split poles. The ceiling is dropped, exposing the log joist and floor planks of the hay-loft floor. Horizontal poles, secured to vertical-pole framing systems, cover the stall and tack room partition walls; the horizontal poles are widely spaced in the stall walls.

There is no interior access to the hay loft. Hay is dropped through a hole in the loft floor to the stalls below.

GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK
TRIANGLE X BARN #707





U.S.G.S. 7 1/2' Topo Quad Moran, WY
 Sec. 19 Twp. 44N Rng 114W
 County Teton County, WY

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Triangle X Barn
GRTE/707

GRTE, Teton Co., WY
Photographer: HRA, 1995
View to NE

Location of neg: NPS, Denver, CO
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Triangle X Barn
GRTE/707

GRTE, Teton Co., WY
Photographer: HRA 1995
View to SW

Location of negs: NPS, Denver, CO
JCB W 10 #10



Triangle X Barn
GRTE/707

GRTE, Teton Co., WY
Photographer: HRA, 1995
View To (detail)

Location of negs: NPS, Denver, CO
JCB W 10 #11