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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Culvert #1

other name/site number: CN0075

2. Location

street & number: State Highway 154

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Winrock

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Conway code: AR 029 zip code: 72025

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-state

Category of Property: Structure

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
_____	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
<u>1</u>	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Facilities Constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in Arkansas, 1933-1942

4. 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 X meets , does not meet the National Register Criteria. See continuation sheet.

Cathryn H. Byrd
Signature of certifying official

4.6.92
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

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5. National Park Service Certification

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I, hereby certify that this property is:

 entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

 determined eligible for the
National Register

 See continuation sheet.

 determined not eligible for the
National Register

 removed from the National Register

 other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper

Date
of Action

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6. Function or Use

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Historic: TRANSPORTATION

Sub: Road-related

Current : TRANSPORTATION

Sub: Road-related

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

N/A

Other Description: Rustic

Materials: foundation Stone roof N/A
walls Stone other Stone stairs

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance

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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Locally.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A, C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Areas of Significance: SOCIAL HISTORY
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
ENTERTAINMENT/RECREATION

Period(s) of Significance: 1935-1942

Significant Dates: N/A

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Civilian Conservation Corps

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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X See continuation sheet.

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: _____

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

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 ___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: ___ See continuation sheet.

Beginning at a point on the northern edge of the State Highway 154 formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the western end of the culvert, proceed northerly along said line for a distance of 50 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel with the northern face of the culvert; thence proceed easterly along said line for a distance of 200 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the eastern end of the culvert; thence proceed southerly along said line for a distance of 150 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel with the southern face of the culvert; thence proceed westerly along said line for a distance of 200 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the western edge of the culvert; thence proceed northerly for a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification: ___ See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes both the historic structure and a representative amount of the surrounding terrain that includes the natural declivities and drainage channels that this culvert was designed to bridge.

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11. Form Prepared By

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Culvert #1 c. 1935

Culvert #1 is a box culvert that is small, but is surrounded by an abundance of stone work. Stone stairs lead down to the culvert at the eastern edge of the culvert's south elevation. The northern elevation is constructed of cast concrete and might be a later alteration.

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The land that would comprise Petit Jean State Park was donated to the State of Arkansas in the mid-1920's by individual landowners and sympathetic lumbering concerns as the first step in the formation of a state parks system. The top of Petit Jean Mountain had already been recognized for its scenic splendor, and for its geological wealth and diversity, and so seemed a particularly worthy site. The initial plan of these citizens was to turn the entire site over to the federal government for the establishment of a national park; however, after considerable study, National Park Service officials determined that Petit Jean Mountain was not a unique natural resource when evaluated on a national basis, and thus declined to assume ownership. Yet these same officials strongly encouraged the state to preserve and maintain the site as an important representation of Arkansas's natural heritage, and in 1923, the Arkansas Legislature passed Act 276 authorizing the Commissioner of State Lands to accept land donations for state parks and reservations. Thus began the Arkansas State Parks system, with Petit Jean State Park as its flagship.

Culvert #1 was constructed c. 1935 at Petit Jean State Park by the men of the 1781st Company of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Arkansas District, stationed at Morrilton, Arkansas as a transportation-related structure to span natural drainage channels, thus allowing the construction of the present-day State Highway 154 into the park. This structure was constructed by the CCC as part of the overall plan to develop this part of the mountain as a public park to be administered by the state of Arkansas.

This road and drainage structure was erected at Petit Jean State Park by the men of the Civilian Conservation Corps for the purpose of providing a passable roadbed for the construction of the main vehicular access road into the park. Thus Culvert #1 is eligible under Criterion A for its associations with both the Civilian Conservation Corps' importance within Arkansas social history and its role in the development of outdoor parks dedicated to public leisure and recreational activities. It is also eligible under Criterion C due to its status as a representative and intact example of the Rustic style of architecture that was made popular nationwide by the CCC, and which has since become virtually identified with it.

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