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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Nature Cabin

other name/site number: HS0058

2. Location

street & number: Lake Catherine State Park Camping Area Access Road

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Shorewood Hills

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Hot Spring code: AR 059 zip code: 72105

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-state

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	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

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

N/A

Other Description: Rustic Resort

Materials: foundation Concrete roof Asphalt
walls Wood logs other Stone chimney

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
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.

This boundary includes both the historic structure and a representative amount of the surrounding property historically-associated therewith.

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1. Form Prepared By

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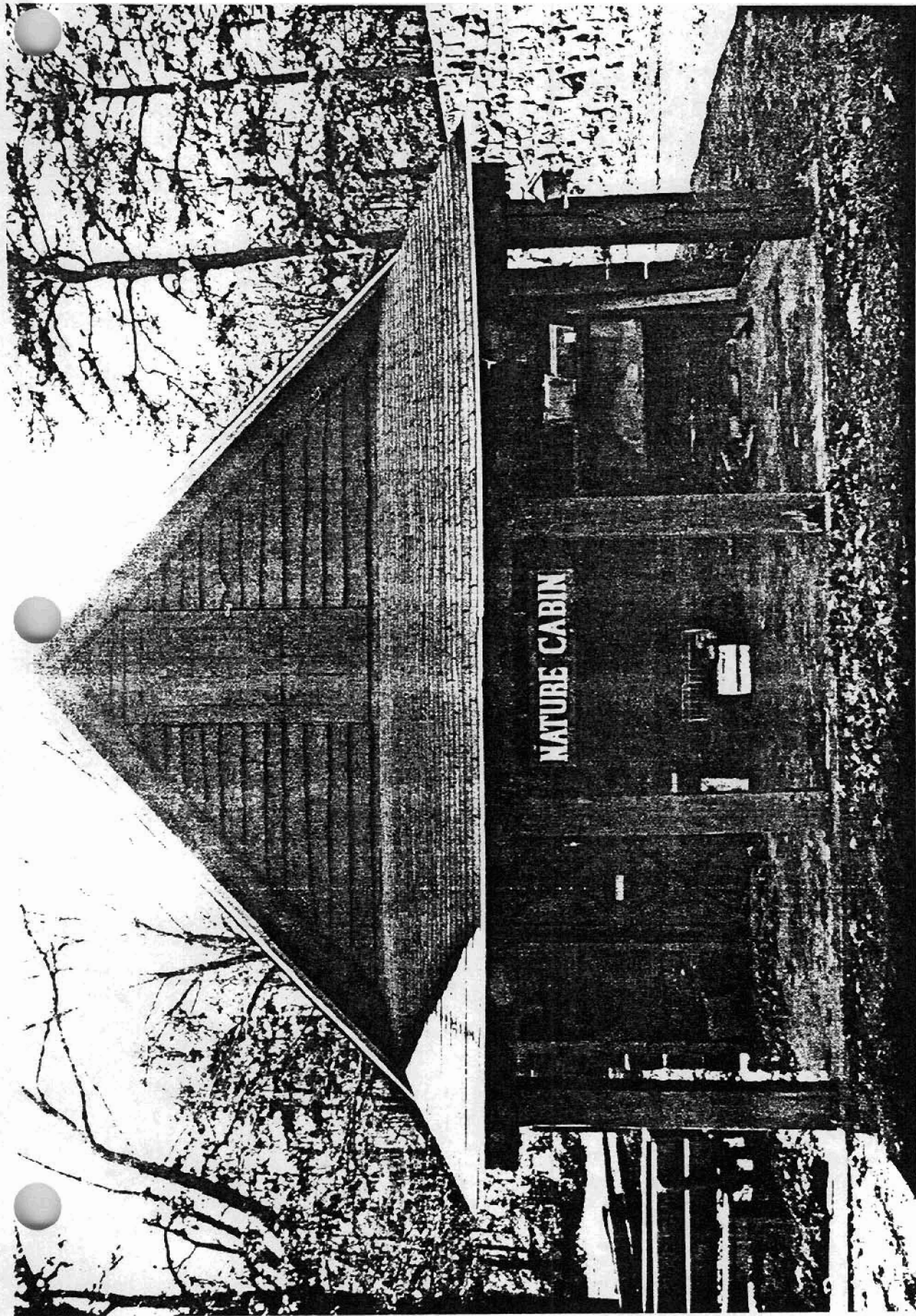
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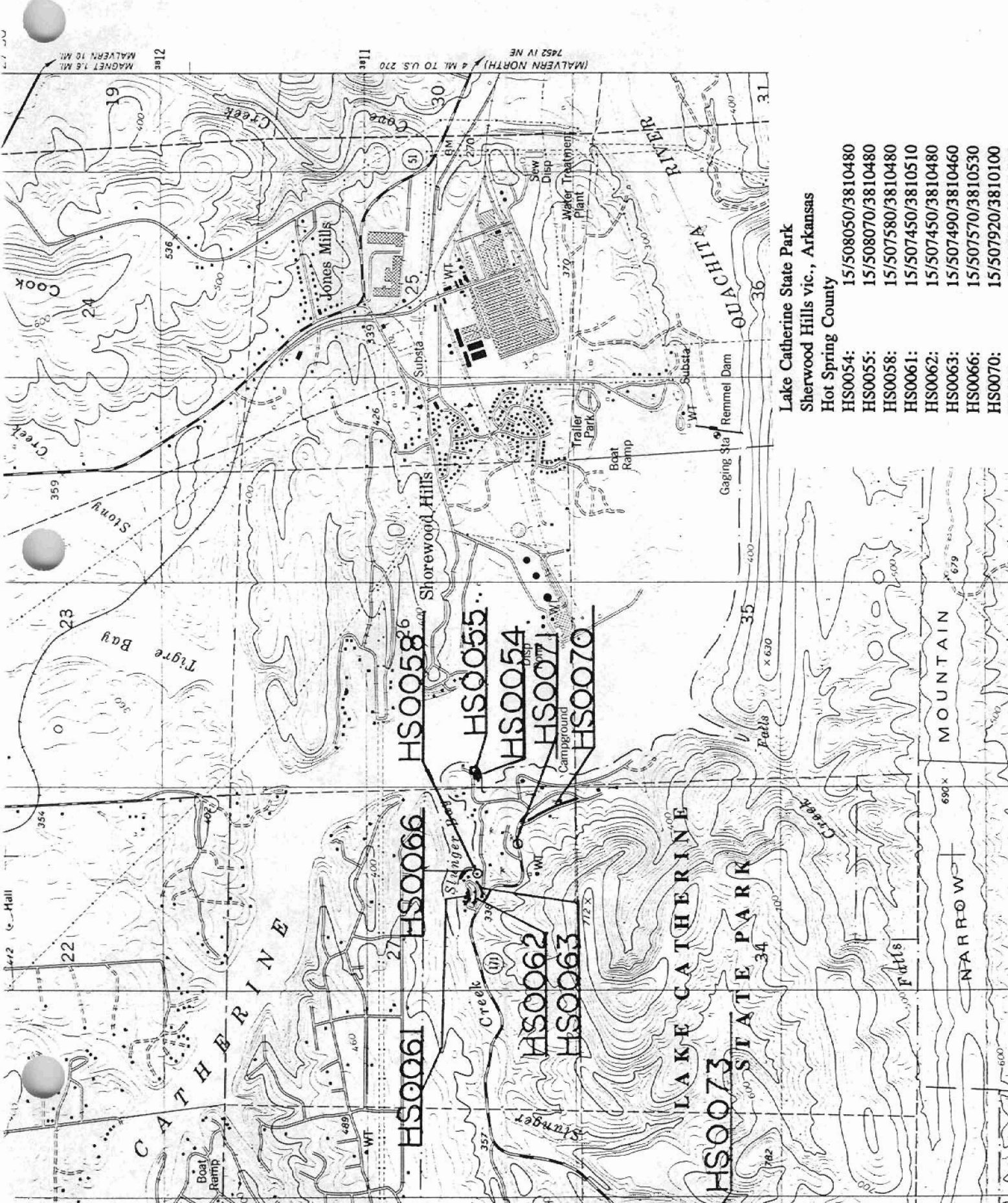
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The land that would comprise Lake Catherine State Park was acquired by the Arkansas State Parks Commission c. 1935 as part of its on-going efforts to add new recreational areas to the Arkansas State Parks system that had began in 1923 with the acquisition of the land that would form Petit Jean State Park. This property on Lake Catherine was acquired for development as a state park due to the formation of the lake by the damming of the Ouachita River by Remmel Dam in 1923-24 that single-handedly created the property's recreation and leisure potential.

The Nature Cabin was constructed c. 1935 at Lake Catherine State Park by the men of the 3777th Company of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Arkansas District, stationed at Friendship, Arkansas, and was probably used as an administrative building within the park, though its actual original use is unknown. However, it is certain that this facility was constructed by the CCC as part of the overall plan to develop this site as a public park to be administered by the state of Arkansas.

This building was erected at Lake Catherine State Park by the men of the Civilian Conservation Corps as part of their overall development of this lakefront site as a state park. Thus the Nature Cabin 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.





- Lake Catherine State Park**
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Hot Spring County
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 - HS0055: 15/508070/3810480
 - HS0058: 15/507580/3810480
 - HS0061: 15/507450/3810510
 - HS0062: 15/507450/3810480
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