

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Two Medicine Campground Campender's Cabin

other name/site number: Two Medicine Ranger Cabin

2. Location

street & number: N/A

not for publication: n/a

vicinity: Two Medicine Lake; Glacier National Park (GLAC)

city/town: East Glacier

state: Montana code: MT county: Glacier code: 35 zip code: 59434

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 X 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.)

[Signature] Date 12.5.95
Signature of certifying official/Title
National Park Service
State or Federal agency or bureau

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

[Signature] Date SEP 29 1995
Signature of commenting or other official
Montana State Historic Preservation Office
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> entered in the National Register see continuation sheet	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature of the Keeper	Entered in the National Register	Date of Action
<input type="checkbox"/> determined eligible for the National Register see continuation sheet			<u>1/19/96</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> determined not eligible for the National Register see continuation sheet			
<input type="checkbox"/> removed from the National Register see continuation sheet			
<input type="checkbox"/> other (explain)			

Name of Property

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal

Category of Property: Building

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

Name of related multiple property listing: Glacier National Park Multiple Property Listing

Number of Resources within Property		
Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	_____	building(s)
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
1	_____	Total

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions:
Government; Domestic/institutional housing

Current Function:
Same

7. Description

Architectural Classification:
Rustic

Materials:
foundation: stone pier
walls: log
roof: wood shingle
other: porch

Narrative Description

Building #145 is located at the north end of the wooded Two Medicine Campground, approximately 1/4 mile east of the Two Medicine General Store (formerly the Two Medicine Chalet dining room) and 200' north of Two Medicine Lake. This is a single-story log dwelling with a square footprint. The building is constructed on a stone-pier foundation and is topped with a front-gable log-frame roof. Roof features include a dimensional-lumber soffit, exposed rafters and purlins, and a wide eave overhang. The front gable extends approximately two feet beyond the side walls to protect the entry. Log columns and an exposed log-truss system support this extension. The logs are joined with saddle notches and are chinked with painted cement. Log ends are square cut and are protected by the eave overhang. This treatment (contrasting with the unprotected chopper-cut ends found on many park rustic log buildings) may represent a modification.

Front (south) elevation features are limited to a vertical-plank/four-light door, paired with a wood-frame screen door and flanked to the west by a six-light awning window. A six-light awning window is centered within the west elevation. The rear (north) elevation contains a paneled door. This door is set above the sill log, incorporates a four-light window, and appears to be a modification, possible installed to provide more direct access to the outhouse located immediately behind the building. There are no features on the east elevation. All window and door surrounds are four-inch painted milled lumber. The building is painted brown and is in generally good condition, with some deterioration of the log ends. Obvious modifications are limited to reconstruction of the rear-elevation window.

The one-room interior is finished with painted six-inch pine floors. The log walls are chinked with poles and the ceiling is open, exposing the log truss system. The four-inch milled-lumber door and window surrounds are painted white. Fixed furnishings include a modern sink/cupboard unit, an historic wall-mounted cupboard and a Schrader wood stove. Modern additions include an electric range, wire conduits, and bare-bulb light fixtures, all dating to the 1992 introduction of electricity. Structural modifications appear to be limited to the replacement of a log in the northwest corner and possible replacement of the north wall window with a door.

8. Statement of Significance

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

Applicable National Register Criteria: A; C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Areas of Significance: Government; Entertainment/Recreation; Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: ca. 1927-1945

Significant Dates: N/A

Architect/Builder: National Park Service

Narrative Statement of Significance

This small cabin is significant at the local level for its associated with a significant trend in park visitation patterns: the increase of middle-class automobile tourists and NPS development of infrastructure appropriate to this new clientele. The building is also associated with federal administration of the Two Medicine backcountry and with rustic architecture. It is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places with significance in history and architecture (criteria A and C; NR areas of significance: Government, Recreation, Architecture) and is a component of the Minor Developed Areas property type, as defined in the Glacier National Park Multiple Property Listing.

The Two Medicine "Ranger Cabin," located at the north end of the Two Medicine Campground, near the head of the Two Medicine trail network, was constructed ca. 1927 as accommodations for the seasonal ranger assigned patrol of the Two Medicine country and custodianship of the adjacent NPS campground. It continues to provide housing for the campground caretaker.

This building represented the limits to the NPS administrative presence in the area during the historic period. The park's 1933 *Master Plan* reported that "no warehouse or shops are necessary owing to the nearness to main source of supply at Glacier Park Station." Also in 1933, the NPS Branch of Plans and Design suggested construction of a large auto camp composed of tepee-shaped cabins identical to those proposed for Roes Creek (Rising Sun); ancillary buildings were to include a community building, a store/cafeteria, and a new and enlarged Ranger Cabin. The auto camp was never constructed. The campground was significantly enlarged and a "multiple ranger and caretaker cabin" constructed west of the historic ranger cabin in 1965.

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9. Major Bibliographic References

U.S. Department of the Interior, Branch of Plans and Designs. *Master Plan for Glacier National Park*. Washington, D.C: U.S. Department of the Interior, Branch of Plans and Designs, 1933. Available at the Technical Information Center (TIC), NPS, Denver, CO.

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	Easting	Northing
	A 12	325250	5373070

Verbal Boundary Description

Boundaries encompass only the building and its immediate, wooded surroundings, comprising an area approximately 40' x 40' centered on the building.

Boundary Justification

These arbitrary boundaries do not encompass the area of historic association -- the Two Medicine Campground -- and may be expanded once an historic context for campgrounds has been developed and the campground has been evaluated.

11. Form Prepared By

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Property Owner

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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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County, MT.

Photographs.

The following information applies to all photographs listed below:

- 1) Photographer: Nancy Niedernhofer
- 2) Date of
 Photographs: September 1993
- 3) Location of
 Negatives: National Park Service, RMR-RC, Denver, CO

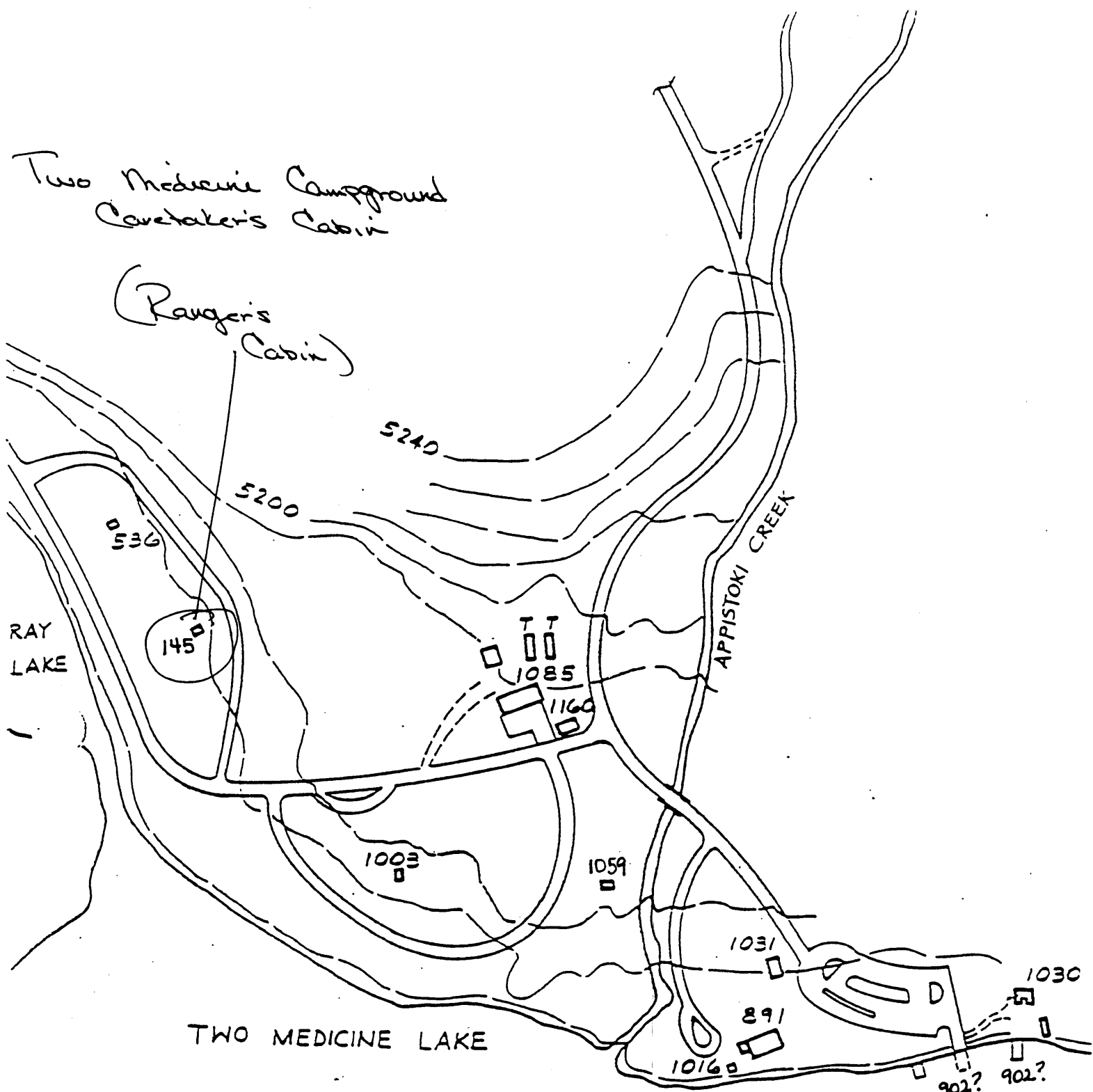
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1	View to Northeast
2	Southwest
3	Interior
4	Interior

Additional Documentation

The following site plans can be found at the Denver Service Center's Technical Information Center, Denver, Colorado.

Two Medicine Campground
Caretaker's Cabin

(Ranger's Cabin)



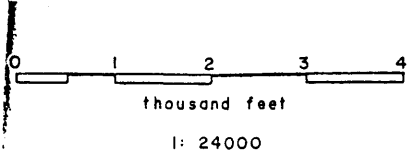
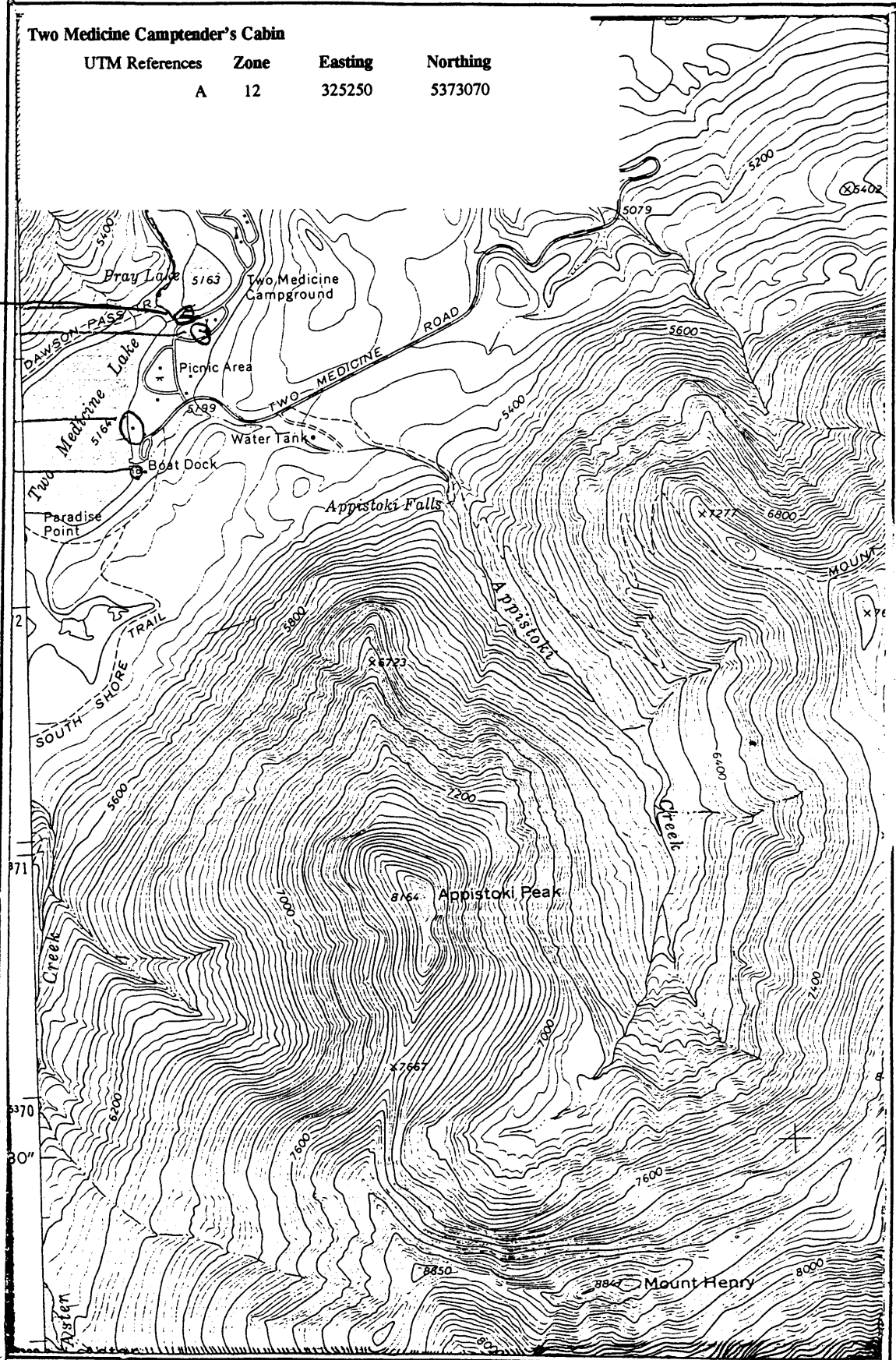
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HRA map 1994 based on
Cultural Resources Management Plan
Two Medicine
1984
Glacier National Park
National Park Service-U.S. Dept. Interior

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