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DATA SHEET

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC ~~SOKEHS~~ JAPANESE ARTILLERY ROAD AND POHNDOLAP AREA

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

SOKEHS MUNICIPALITY
STREET & NUMBER PONAPE, EASTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS
TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS 96941

CITY, TOWN

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

VICINITY OF
CODE

COUNTY

CODE

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME GOVERNMENT OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC
ISLANDS/AND PRIVATE OWNERS

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, OFFICE OF LANDS AND SURVEYS
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET & NUMBER PONAPE, EASTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE The Japanese Artillery road is located on private land/the
Pohndolap area however, is clear titled publicly owned land.

DATE

OFFICE OF LANDS AND SURVEYS FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS PONAPE, EASTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The present physical condition and appearance of the Sokehs Japanese Artillery Road and Pohndolap area, is overgrown and covered with grasses and in some areas, thick bush. The Artillery Road itself is in better repair the Pohndolap area due to a recent clearing project. The Road is accessible via trail motor bike or on foot, however the Pohndolap or top area can only be penetrated on foot. At best, the entire area can only be rated "Fair", condition-wise.

Also the condition of the ruins and objects within the Pohndolap area can be deemed deteriorated and in some cases unexposed.

It should be noted that though the Japanese Artillery Road is located and running through private land/negotiations are being conducted to free the road for public use.

There are no problems with the Pohndolap area or top region however, because the Government is the sole owner.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1905; 1924

BUILDER/ARCHITECT PONAPEANS AND JAPANESE GOV'T.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Japanese Artillery Road going from base to top of Sokehs, is of value and significance as it was built by the Japanese before World War II for Artillery/Access. To the Pohndolap area or gun implacements, bunker and searchlight. (all of which are still in place).

The Pohndolap region at the top of Sokehs was the ^{scene} seen of Ponape's major stand against American fighter planes toward the end of World War II. A Japanese Command Post was located in this area.

Further, the area was the site of a massive Ponape German confrontation in 1911. Remains of Ponapean fort constructed in 1910 for the confrontation still exist under thick foliage.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

The major references used in compiling the information for this nomination were Ponapeans who were alive through all of the Japanese occupation of this area and the recognized Ponapean cultural and heritage expert in this district, Mr. Pensile Lawrence. Also the Micronesian area research center (MARC) on Guam was used for reference.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

see map

UTM REFERENCES

A 158° 11' (E) 6° 58' 03" (N)
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING
 C

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING
 D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Dan McAllister, Technical Advisor

ORGANIZATION Ponape District Historic Preservation Committee DATE April 16, 1976
 STREET & NUMBER c/o Community Development Office TELEPHONE
 CITY OR TOWN Ponape, Eastern Caroline Islands 96941 STATE

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ___ STATE ___ LOCAL Ponape

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE Neil K. Chase

Neil K. Chase 5/20/76

TITLE Chief, Branch of Resources & Land Use, Div. Lands/Surveys, DTPI DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY	
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER	
DATE <i>9/30/76</i>	
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION	DATE <i>9/30/76</i>
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	

Sokels Japanese Artillery Road and Pohndollap Area

UTM References:

A-57/411320/771400

B-57/411440/771320

C-57/411500/771200

D-57/411480/770680

E-57/411340/770600

F-57/411440/770260

G-57/411500/769800

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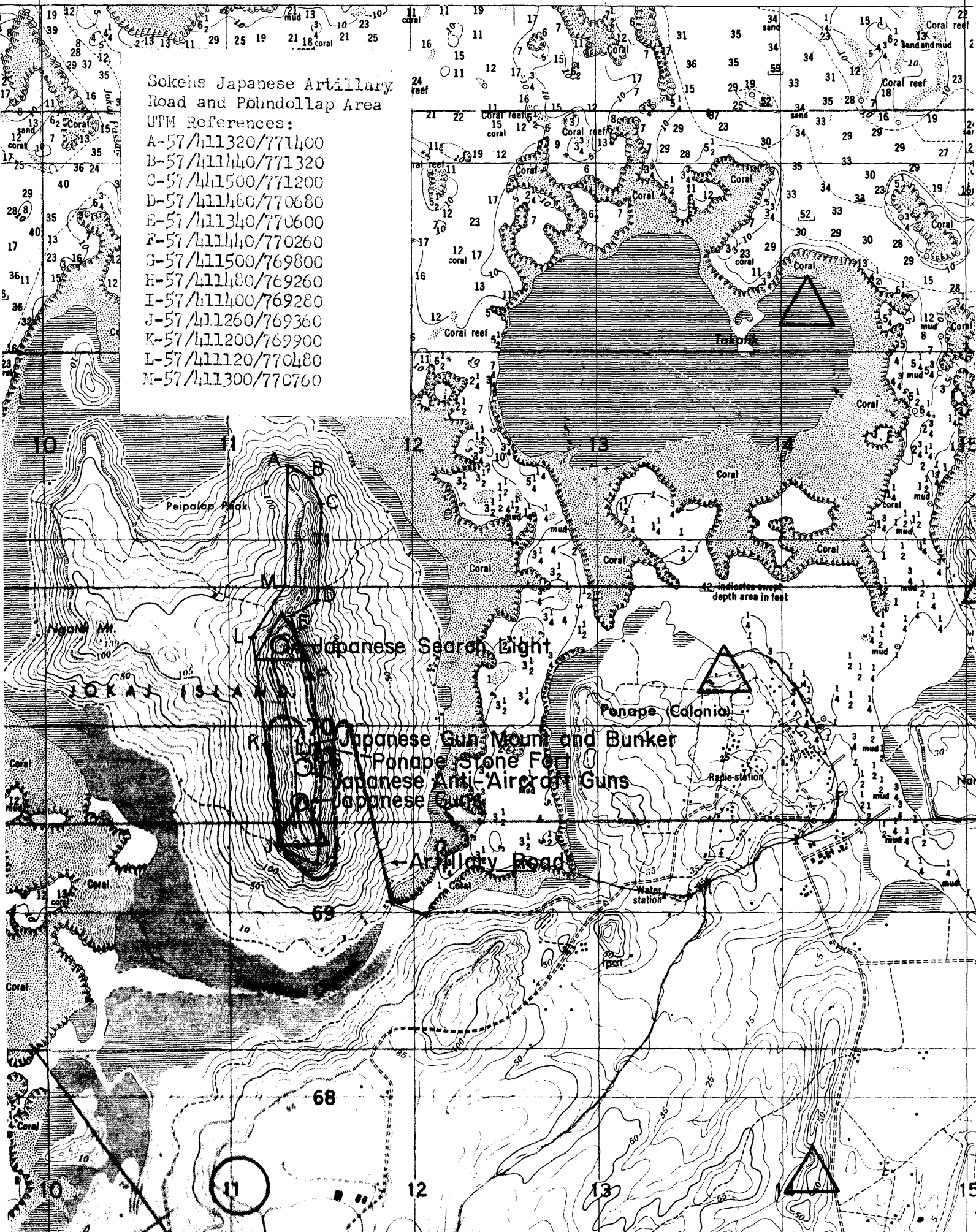
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J-57/411260/769360

K-57/411200/769900

L-57/411120/770480

M-57/411300/770760



Peipalap Peak

Japanese Search Light

Japanese Gun Mount and Bunker

Ponape Stone Fort

Japanese Anti-Aircraft Guns

Japanese Guns

Artillery Road

Penape (Colonial)

Radio station

Water station

42 indicates swept depth area in feet

