

CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

JUL - 8 1988

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Arches Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1348

STRUCTURE NAME Old Spanish Trail STRUCTURE NUMBER ARCH - 23

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Vicinity of Visitor Center PARK LOCATION CODE HQ

NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:

Stabilization () Cyclic Maintenance () Routine Maintenance () Approved Ultimate Treatment ()

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:

Preservation	(PP)	Restoration	(RR)	Reconstruction	(CC)
Adaptive Preservation	(AP)	Adaptive Restoration	(AR)	Adaptive Reconstruction	(AC)
Neglect	(NG)	Remove	(RM)	No Approved Treatment	(NO)

Approval Document _____ () Document Date: / /

Estimated Treatment Costs _____

Stabilization:	\$ _____	Date: <u> / /</u>	Level of Estimate:	(A) (B) (C)
Approved Treatment:	\$ _____	Date: <u> / /</u>	Estimator:	(Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: / / ca 1780 Date of Alterations: / / unknown
 Architect/Designer: Unknown Historical Theme(s): Exploration (XI D6)
 History of Structure: Fur Trade (VI B4)

This portion of the Old Spanish Trail was opened during the late 18th century as a way from the nearby Colorado River crossing to the Green River desert and a crossing of the Green River. At this point the trail climbed out from a wash off the river to the valey parallel to Arches NP that leads to the Green River desert. The trail was used intermittently until the 1840s & and by pioneers in the 1850s.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing XX Non-Contributing _____
 National Register Criteria: A X B C D (Include integrity statement)

The site has only marginal physical integrity and no obvious signs of the work of man.

Bibliography: LeRoy and Ann Hafen, The Old Spanish Trail, Glendale: The Arthur H. Clark Co., 1954.

Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? NP (Partial) Date: / / unknown

Report prepared by: S. F. Mehls Date: 9 /12/ 86

Condition: P
 Documentation: G
 Significance: L
 Internal Impacts: M to S/ERO/POP
 External Impacts: M to S/ERO/POP

CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME Old Spanish Trail

LOCATION: Section 20 State Utah USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) ZZ
Township 25S County Grand Original Use Transportation
Range 21E Intermediate Uses Transportation
PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS DRAWING NO. _____
Original Owner: Mexico NEGATIVE NO. CAB 11, # 3,4
Intermediate Owner(s): GLO

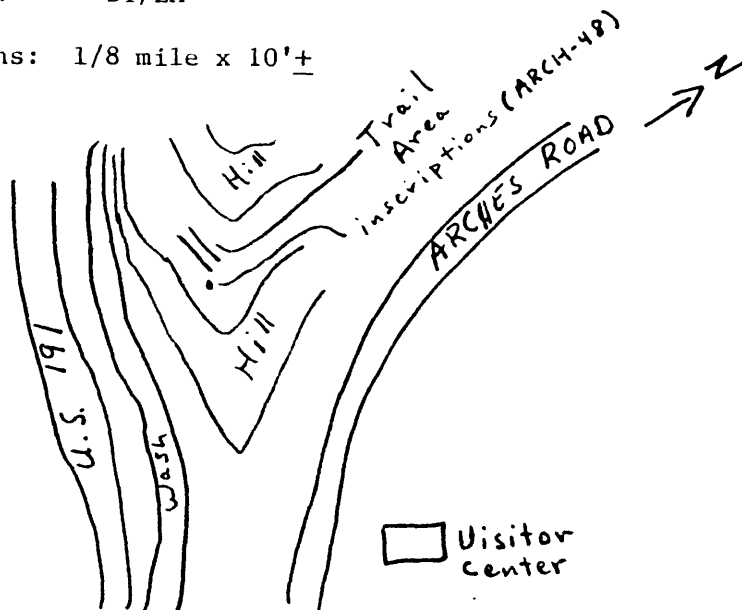
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: RD

Material: ST/EA

Dimensions: 1/8 mile x 10'+



SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:

10/18/87

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Old Spanish Trail (Exploration and Fur Trade Theme)

This site is one that shows no visible work of man that can be ~~totally~~ attributed to the Old Spanish Trail era (1780-1840). However, the site is on the historic natural access route to the crossing of the Colorado River that was used by the trail. Some earthwork and removal of stone has taken place at the site that would fit with the minimal types of improvements that would have been made to allow carts to pass over the trail. Later users obliterated all but a very short section of the route (estimated 1/8-mile).

See attached LCS form.

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Old Spanish Trail

Function or Use:

Historic: transportation/pedestrian-related/trail
Present: vacant/not in use

Geographic Data:

Acreage: less than one acre

UTM References:	A:	12	6	20	200	42	74	500
	B:	12	6	20	200	42	74	400
	C:	12	6	20	000	42	74	400
	D:	12	6	20	000	42	74	500

Verbal Boundary Description:

The site of the Old Spanish Trail is bordered on the northeast by the edge of hill that rises out of the wash west of the main park road near the Visitor Center. The border on the southern edge is made up of the grade of the Old Moab Road and the west by a line running east-southeast to west-northwest from ten feet west of the edge of the hill that is the eastern boundary. The northern border is a line running generally east-west at the crest of the hill the Trail is on.

Boundary Justification:

The boundaries, as established above, encompass all the area that is discernable as part of the trail without including any areas of later use that destroyed the integrity of the Trail, such as the segment of heavily graded road that makes up the southern border of the Trail site. The site was not increased because Park development and U.S. Highway 191 have already destroyed the historic scene.