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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 **Bowling Green OMS #10**_____ other names/site number **Wa-B-510**___

2. Location

 street & number _____719 Old Morgantown Rd._____ not for publication N/A____

 city or town _Bowling Green _____ vicinity _N/A

 state __Kentucky ____ code _KY __ county _Warren ___ code _227 zip code _42102_____

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this \underline{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 \underline{x} meets ______ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ______ nationally ______ statewide \underline{x} locally. (______ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan, SHPO / Excutive Director 6-18 02 Signature of certifying official

State Historic Peservation Office/ Kentucky Heritage Council_____

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification I, hereby certify that this property is: V entered in the National Register 7 ____ 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 f of Action

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INAT REGISTER OF NATIONAL P 5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

____ private

____ public-local

- _x__ public-State
- ____ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

__x_building(s)

- district
- ____ site
- ____ structure
- ____ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
1	buildings
	sites
	structures
	objects
1	0 Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing Kentucky's National Guard Facilities: 1931-1951_

6. Function or Use Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) Cat: _______ Sub: ______ Sub: _______

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: ____DEFENSE ______ Sub: _____Iitary facility ______

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

____Modern Movement_____

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation __Concrete slab_____

roof _____

walls Concrete : block_____

other Metal

Narrrative Description (begins p. 7-1)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

___x_ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

 \underline{x} C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

____ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- _____B removed from its original location.
- ____C a birthplace or a grave.
- ____ D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- _____F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

 Areas of Significance
 MILITARY_____

 Period of Significance
 1947-1949_____

 Significant Dates
 1947_____

 Significant Person
 N/A

 Cultural Affiliation
 N/A

 Architect/Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (begins p. 8-1)

9. Major Bibliographical References

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

x State Historic Preservation Office

_x__ Other State agency

____ Federal agency

Local government

____ University

____ Other

Name of repository:

10. Geographical Data
Acreage of Property __1 acre_____

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UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet) Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing 1 16 547 260 4093 790 Bowling Gree

Bowling Green South Quad

Verbal Boundary Description and Boundary Justification (see p. 10-2)

11. Form Prepared By name/title____Kate Carothers_____

 street & number__1020A Export St._____
 telephone_(606) 257-1944

 city or town__Lexington______
 state_KY____ zip code __40502____

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.) name **____Commonwealth of Kentucky**

city or town_Frankfort______state_KY__ zip code __40601_____

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Narrative Description

The Bowling Green Organizational Maintenance Shop (OMS) #10 (WA-B-510) is situated on approximately one acre at 719 Old Morgantown Rd., in a residential area. The OMS shop, built in 1947, is approximately one-and-a-half stories tall and is constructed of concrete blocks painted white. The architect and builder of the OMS are unknown. The rectangular building is topped by a flat metal roof supported underneath by metal trussing. A large metal garage door is on the front facade (west elevation). A metal door and metal light casement windows flank the garage door. Metal multi-light casement windows are evenly spaced on both the north and south elevations, with two garage bays located at the rear of the north elevation - these were added circa 1970. Interior offices, also composed of concrete block, were added in the mid-1980s. The interior of the building is largely open, allowing for the storage and maintenance of the National Guard's vehicles.

Narrative Statement of Significance

The Bowling Green OMS #10 (WA-B-510) is a good example of a post-World War II maintenance and storage facility for the National Guard because it is indicative of the larger, more expensive vehicles and equipment the Guard received after World War II. The OMS meets criterion A of the National Register for its historic association with the National Guard of Kentucky, and criterion C, because it is a significant military type of construction. This building meets registration requirements established in the multiple property documentation. It retains integrity of location and setting, as it has not moved from its original site, and integrity of association, as it is still owned by the National Guard. The OMS #10 has the same design: a large open area for the maintenance and storage of vehicles, and it maintains original materials: concrete, metal-light windows, concrete block.

Several of these structures were built in the years after World War II, as the Guard began to receive more regular Army equipment and needed more space to repair and store equipment and vehicles. Many of the early OMS shops were built in areas where there was already an armory, but not enough room to store vehicles around them. The Bowling Green Armory was located downtown, so there was no room to store vehicles around it. The armory did not have a large indoor area in which to work on vehicles, either. Hence, the OMS #10 was built to allow for storage and maintenance of the vehicles. The OMS shops are important to the National Guard operation because they are where vehicles are repaired if they break down, and they allow the Guard to keep some of their more expensive equipment, such as tanks, inside. The early OMS shops were large buildings, as were early armories. Today, most OMS shops are small, two-bay metal buildings. The early OMS shops are a physical reminder of what the National Guard maintenance buildings were like in the Cold War years following World War II.

Today the Bowling Green OMS #10 functions as the main vehicle repair shop for National Guard companies in Bowling Green, Hopkinsville, and Russellville, which do not have their own shops.

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The Bowling Green OMS #10 has been used exclusively as a place to repair and store National Guard vehicles since its construction. The OMS #10 has retained the majority of its original materials and form, and is recognizable as a maintenance shop. The OMS #10 is still in its original location and setting and has remained an integral part of the National Guard operation since its erection.

Verbal Boundary Description - The parcel designated by the Warren County PVA as tax map/parcel #040A06009.

Verbal Boundary Justification - The chosen boundary encompasses the building and its related motor pool and parking area, for a total of one acre, the lot historically associated with the Bowling Green OMS #10.

Bibliography

Baird, Nancy Disher, Carole Crowe-Carraco, and Michale L. Morse. <u>Bowling Green: A Pictorial</u> <u>History</u>. Virginia Beach: Donning Company and Publishers, 1983.

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Lineage and Honors of 123rd Armor.

Interview with Armory Manager Major James Southern, June 4, 1998.

Phone interview with Retired Sergeant Romer Holland, June 4, 1998.

Interview with WO1 Kenny Graves, OMS Manager, June 4, 1998.