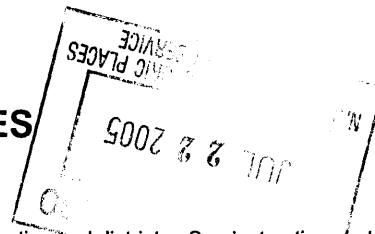


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Johnson Barn
other names/site number n/a

2. Location

street & number PO Box 371 not for publication
city or town Mobridge vicinity x
state South Dakota code SD county Walworth code 129 zip code 57601

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.)

Jay D. Vogt 07-19-2005
Signature of certifying official Date

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

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that the property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 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 the Keeper: Edson H. Beall
Date of Action: 8.30.05

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Agricultural/Sub Sub: Animal facility
sistence

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Agricultural/Sub Sub: Animal facility
sistence

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Wisconsin Dairy Barn

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Cement _____
roof Wood _____
walls Wood _____

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- 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.
- 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 (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture _____

Period of Significance

1918 _____

Johnson Barn
Name of Property

Walworth County, South Dakota
County and State

Significant Dates 1918

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation n/a

Architect/Builder n/a

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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

Name of repository: n/a

Johnson Barn
Name of Property

Walworth County, South Dakota
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Johnson Barn
Name of Property

Walworth County, South Dakota
County and State

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Gladys Johnson
street & number PO Box 371 telephone 605-845-3176
city or town Mobridge state SD zip code 57601

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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The Johnson Barn is located in Walworth County, South Dakota. The barn has a concrete foundation, wood clapboard siding, and wood shake shingles. There is an attached lean on the east elevation; the lean-to has a corrugated tin roof. There is also a wood post and plank corral attached to the lean-to.

The façade (south elevation) has a large central sliding door. In the gable is a large haydoor flanked by window openings. A hayhood extends out over the haydoor. There is a fixed two-pane window on the lean-to section.

The west elevation has five fixed four-pane windows.

The north elevation has a large central sliding door. Above the sliding door is a haydoor. The lean-to section has a door near the corner of the elevation and a fixed four-pane window.

The east elevation has no openings. There is a corral attached at the corners.

The interior of the barn has a large central aisle; there are pens and stanchions on either side of the aisle. The hayloft on the second floor is open; it is wing joist frame with has a braced-rafter self-supporting roof. The diagonal bracing ties have been framed over in the loft.

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The Johnson Barn is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C as an example of the Wisconsin Dairy Barn in South Dakota. The Johnson barn exhibits many characteristics of this style.

Walworth County, South Dakota, was organized in 1884. The settlement of Walworth County occurred at the end of what was known as the Great Dakota Boom of 1877-1885, a period in which the population of the state increased five-fold. The majority of the early settlers used the Homestead Act of 1862 to claim a quarter section of land to farm. Farming and livestock production continue to be the main economic activities in the area.

The Johnson Barn was built in 1918. The Johnson Family farmed the land the barn is on beginning in 1923 and purchased the farm from the government in 1942. The land was owned in 1935-1942 by the Horseshoe Land and Cattle Company, which was also know by the name of one of the proprietors as the Frank Goodman Land. The government assumed ownership in 1942 at which time the long time tenants purchased the land and buildings from the South Dakota Rural Credit Board. The original builder of the barn is unknown. It is known as the Johnson Barn because the Johnson family has been farming the land and using the barn since 1923.

The Wisconsin Dairy Barn was a popular form from the turn of the century until the late 1930s. It featured a long rectangular plan, gambrel roof, stanchions on either side of a large central aisle, and rows of windows on the long side; often there is a large haydoor and hayhood in the gable end.¹ This popular early 20th century barn has a light lumber truss frame and a wide central service alley extending from one gable to the other.²

The Johnson Barn is a light truss barn with a gambrel roof. Two specific types of gambrel roof barns appear in literature, the Erie Shore and the Wisconsin Dairy Barn.³ Of these two types, the Johnson Barn more closely resembles the Wisconsin Dairy barn in architecture and purpose. The Johnson

¹ Allen Noble and Richard K. Cleek. *The Old Barn Book: A Field Guide to North American Barns and Other Farm Structures*. (New Brunswick: NJ, Rutgers University Press, 1996), 122.

² South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office. *Architectural History in South Dakota*. (Pierre: SD, State Historic Preservation Office, 2000), 14.

³ Brooks, Allyson and Steph Jacon. *Homesteading and Agricultural Development Context*. (Pierre: SD, South Dakota State Historical Society Press, 1994), 51.

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Barn has several elements common to Wisconsin Dairy Barns including: a gambrel roof, rectangular plan, rows of windows on the long side, stanchions, and a large open hayloft that was used to store hay and grain.

The railroad brought not only settlers to South Dakota, but also the materials that would aid them as they homesteaded the vast treeless prairie. The availability of dimensional lumber, machined nails, and other materials is reflected in the type of structures the settlers built. The abundance of materials available to settlers and the development of new light-framing techniques greatly influenced the types of barns built after the late 19th century. The Johnson Barn is comparable in size and function to the popular general purpose barn that the United States Department of Agriculture designed for widespread use throughout the Midwest.

The Johnson Barn is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C as an example of a Wisconsin Dairy Barn in South Dakota.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary is an imaginary line that begins three feet northwest of the northwest corner and runs east to a point three feet northeast of the northeast corner and then runs south to a point three feet southeast of the southeast corner and then runs west to a point three feet to the southwest of the southwest corner and then runs north to the original starting point.

Boundary Justification

The boundary encompasses the area associated with the Johnson Barn.