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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 ******
Coeur d'Alene Federal Building

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
4th and Lakeside

CITY, TOWN
Coeur d'Alene

STATE
Idaho

--- NOT FOR PUBLICATION First
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

--- VICINITY OF

CODE
16

COUNTY
Kootenai

CODE
055

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" 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
General Services Administration

STREET & NUMBER
GSA Center

CITY, TOWN
Auburn

STATE
Washington

--- VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Kootenai County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Coeur d'Alene

STATE
Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE
1972

--- FEDERAL STATE --- COUNTY --- LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN
610 North Julia Davis Drive

STATE
Boise, Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The three story cast stone and brick Federal building in Coeur d'Alene is in an Adamesque style. It is characterized by its first story round arched openings, cast stone quoins, and an ornate terra cotta portico.

Two engaged columns with alternating smooth and fluted segments flank a double doorway. These support an entablature with a denticulated cornice, above which is perched a sculpted eagle and flag staff. In the tympanum is a fine gilded wrought-iron grill.

Other decorative elements in terra cotta include a delicate frieze above the first story. Garlanded panels between the second and third stories, third story plaques and the cornice. A tiled hipped roof with rectangular dormers at either end caps the building.

The 93' x 114' structure is T shaped with a two story brick wing extending from the rear. Some landscaping separates the building from the sidewalk.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1927-1928

BUILDER/ARCHITECT L. L. Welch

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Coeur d'Alene Federal building is significant in being one of the finer federal buildings constructed in Idaho. The decorative motifs, the contrast of the red brick and cast stone, and the imposing stature of the edifice contribute to its being one of the landmarks of Coeur d'Alene.

The securing of a Federal building by an Idaho city was always heralded with pride. The structure served as a tangible indication of an area's rise in stature. The citizens of Coeur d'Alene patiently endured a 17 year wait prior to seeing their city's building hopes realized. A 1910 \$100,000.00 appropriation was delayed by attempts to secure more moneys. These were eventually granted, but World War I suspended all building appropriations. The program was not resumed until the mid-twenties and the Coeur d'Alene project was not started until 1927. The city's long wait was well rewarded by this fine structure, one of the most elegant in Idaho.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bibliography - Coeur d'Alene Journal, February 7, 1911, p. 8 c. 3;
 June 14, 1912, p. 1 c. 4;
Coeur d'Alene Evening Press, April 2, 1927, p.1 c. 1; October 13, 1927, p. 1 c. 3-4

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre.

UTM REFERENCES

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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

Don Hibbard, Architectural Historian

10 February 1977
 DATE

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

TELEPHONE

384-2120

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE X LOCAL

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.

~~FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE~~

Merle Wells

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 24 March 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

W. J. Murty

DATE 12/16/77

~~DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHITECTURE OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION~~

ATTEST: Charles A. ...

DATE 12-17-77

~~KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL RECORDS~~