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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

DEPRESSION-ERA BUILDINGS

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NAME: Butte Falls Ranger Station

LOCATION: Rogue River National Forest, Butte Falls Ranger District;
Congressional District 2; Butte Falls, Oregon (41); Jackson County
(029)

ADDRESS: USDA Forest Service
Rogue River National Forest
333 West 8th Street, P.O. Box 520
Medford, OR 97501

CLASSIFICATION/CATEGORY: District

DESCRIPTION:

Condition

Good

Altered

Original Site

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Office #2002: 1938; L-shaped, 1 1/2 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed cobblestone veneer, wood shingled medium gable roof, projecting cross gable on south, three chamfered beams (ridge pole and plates) project slightly from gable ends, four gabled dormers on north slope of main gable. Portion of south slope of main gable extends, bellcast, to form porch above main entry, center, east facade, supported by four 10 x 10 squared-timber posts with heavy short curving brackets, affixed. Flagstone porch surface, four straight, plain stone steps access. A single coursed rubble chimney offset south slope of main gable, to rear of south projecting gable. Horizontal clapboard exterior to eave line, vertical boards, ends rounded, on all gable ends. Eight-over-eight double-hung sash windows. A single well-shaped pine tree symbol cut from two boards located immediately below apex of roof on east and south gable ends. Interior wall paneling of knotty pine. Addition to rear (west) elevation shows similar clapboard siding and window treatment, but has unfaced concrete foundation.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Ranger's Residence #1003: 1936; Irregular L-shape, 2 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, full basement, window wells, wood shingled medium gable roof with shallow inset intersecting gables offset on the west (main) facade, projecting offset gable on the east elevation forms a 1 story bay; a medium hip extending from the plane of the south gable end forms a covered porch supported by six 7" x 7" squared-timber posts with short curving flush brackets affixed; raised flagstone platform; single hipped dormers,

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offset, located on front and rear slope of main gable. A single coursed rubble interior chimney, offset on west slope of roof. Horizontal clapboard exterior, with vertical boards on all gable ends, plain ends on north, south, and east gables, corner notched on primary west gable, chamfered battens every other board on north and south gables, plain battens every board on east and west gables. Eight-over-eight double-hung sash windows, flanked by vertical board decorative shutters, each with an extremely naturalistic pine tree routed into wood. Bay window has six large vertical panes. Single pine tree cut out partially obscured on both north and south gable ends beneath apex of roof. Knotty pine interior wall paneling in entry hall, dining room and living room, open beam cellulose ceiling. Door lintels and bay window surround carved and scrolled; short curving flush brackets. Open hearth stone fireplace with hewn timber as mantel. Interior door panels of knotty pine, wood pegs. Bedrooms on main level and upstairs interior finished in plywood with molding trim, painted. Some exterior material replacement, aluminum awnings and some aluminum casements added.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Ranger's Residence Garage: Rectangular, wood frame, poured concrete foundation, wood shingled medium gable roof, two vehicle capacity. Horizontal clapboard exterior, vertical boards, plain ends, chamfered battens every other board on gable ends. Two vertical lift wood panel doors on west gable end, single leaf wood panel entry offset on north elevation. Six-light sash windows. Single well-defined pine tree cut out, centered beneath roof apex, on east and west gable ends.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Residence #1001: 1935; Rectangular, 1 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed cobblestone veneer, wood shingled medium gable roof, offset projecting porch gable on east (main) facade, supported by four 6 x 6 squared timber with short curving flush brackets. Projecting bay adjacent to porch. Coursed rubble interior chimney offset on west slope of roof. Horizontal clapboard, rusticated texture on porch gable pediment. Three chamfered beams (ridge pole and plates) project slightly from gable ends. Three-over-one double-hung sash windows, six horizontal lights in bay window. No decoration. Shed roofed lean-to, wood shingled, horizontal clapboards, abuts west elevation offset.

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Butte Falls Ranger Station, Residence #1002: 1936; T-shaped, 1 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed cobblestone veneer, wood-shingled medium gable roof, intersecting gable on north, portion of east slope of north gable extends, bellcast, to cover center porch and main entry, supported by two 6 x 6 squared-timber posts having short, curving flush brackets, flagstone platform, four straight plain stone steps. Coursed rubble interior chimney slightly offset on east-facing roof slope. Horizontal clapboard exterior to eave line, vertical boards, rounded ends, on gable ends, three chamfered beams project (ridgepole and plates). Six-over-six double-hung sash windows, singly and in combinations with mullions. Mullion window centered in north gable end has two divisions of twelve lights each surmounted by two divisions of six lights each. Knotty pine interior wall paneling in living room, dining room, and interior bedroom, with patterned cellux ceilings; kitchen and second bedroom finished with plywood and painted. Open hearth fireplace, with floor to ceiling masonry wall. Single well defined pine tree cut out beneath apex of roof on north gable end. Addition to west elevation compatible, with similar exterior wall materials, windows and gable end treatment.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Equipment Warehouse #2200: 1936; Rectangular, 1 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, narrow cobblestone veneer (15"), wood shingled medium gable roof. Horizontal clapboard exterior, vertical boards, rounded ends, on gable ends. Three chamfered beams (ridge pole and plates) project slightly beyond plane of building. Six-light hinged wooden casement windows. Concrete loading dock, side stairs, offset on west (main) elevation access single large slide opening door. Horizontal slide opening door offset on north gable end.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Vehicle Storage, #1503: 1938; Rectangular, 1 story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, cobblestone veneer visible on three sides, wood shingled medium gable roof. Horizontal clapboard exterior, vertical boards, rounded ends, on gable ends, three chamfered beams project slightly from each gable (ridge pole and plates). Six-light sash windows. Four bays open on north elevation, fifth bay enclosed, with single leaf vertical board door centered. Single well-defined pine tree cutout on each gable end, centered beneath peak of gable.

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Butte Falls Ranger Station, Gas and Oil House: Rectangular, wood frame, concrete foundation and slab, wood-shingled medium gable roof extending beyond anterior wall to form pump shelter, supported by two 4x4 posts. Horizontal clapboard exterior, including gable ends. Single horizontal slide opening door centered in anterior wall on west gable end. No decoration.

Butte Falls Ranger Station, Storage Shed: Rectangular, wood frame, poured concrete foundation, wood-shingled medium gable roof. Horizontal clapboard exterior. Two-leaf hinged doors, west gable end. No decoration. Structure is detached, located at right angle to gas house.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Butte Falls Ranger Station typifies the construction projects undertaken by the Civilian Conservation Corps and signifies the aid to the local community provided by the emergency work-relief program through employment of youth and experienced craftsmen, purchase of building materials and camp supplies, and personal expenditures of enrollees. The property represents the Forest Service's presence in the locality, as the headquarters for field operation, and denotes, via the physical facilities required to carry out the agency's expanding responsibilities, the critical transition in the Service's development from custodial superintendence to extensive resource management. The Butte Falls Ranger Station exemplifies the rustic architectural idiom developed by the Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region, to impart Forest Service identity and to represent its purposes and ideals, and signifies the agency's particular interpretation of a singular expression of early twentieth century American architectural thought. Possessing very high qualities of design and execution, the Ranger Station is an excellent example of an architectural location invested with special aesthetic and associative values by the agency that created it.

The Butte Falls Ranger Station manifests the principles of comprehensive site planning initiated by the Forest Service during the Depression, through spatial arrangement, functional organization, architectural unity from complimentary building materials and forms and landscaping to integrate the building site and complex, and signifies an important advance in administrative site development.

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: 6.105

UTM Reference:

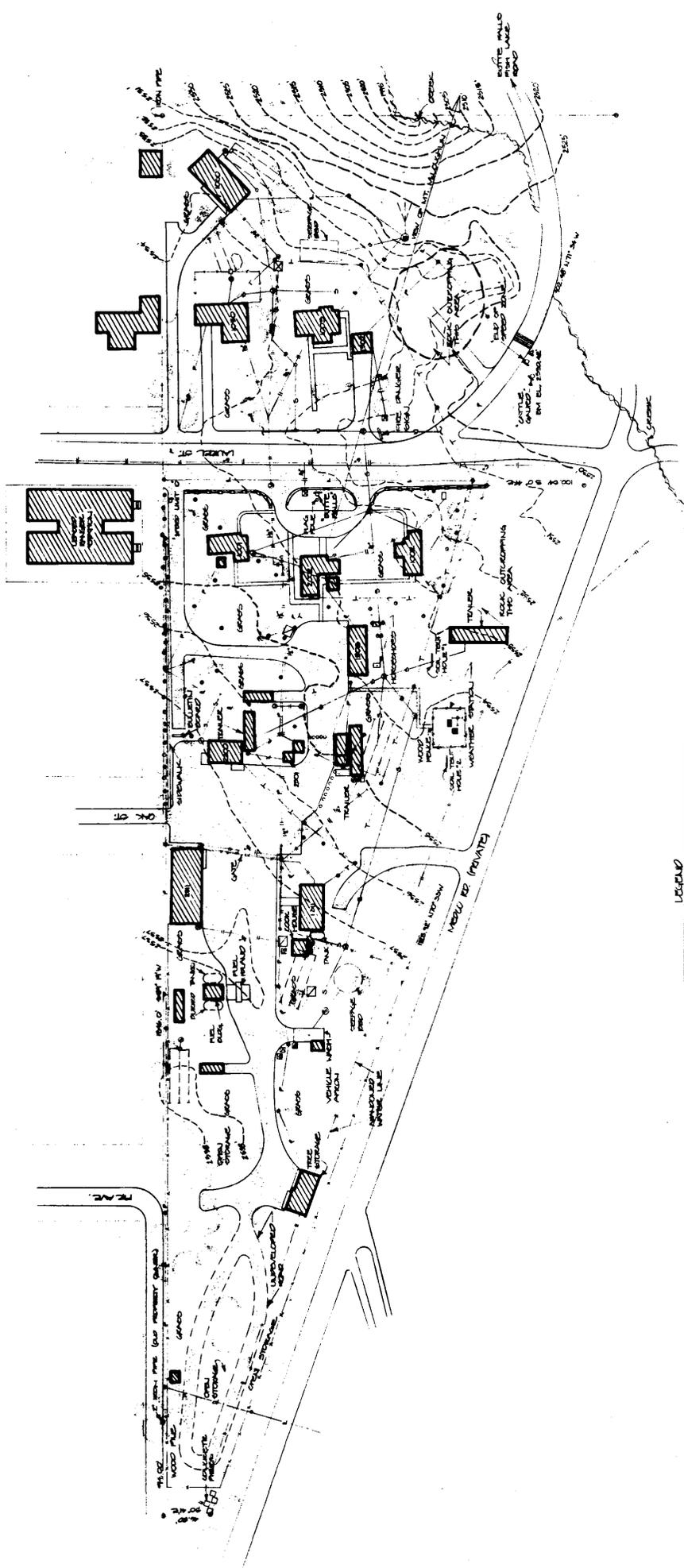
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Butte Falls Ranger Station

The complex is located in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 10, Township 35 South, Range 2 East, Willamette Meridian, within the city limits of Butte Falls, The boundaries are delineated as follows:

Beginning at a point on south line of alley south of Block 3, being a 5/8" x 30" rebar 0.4 feet north of west U.S. Forest Service boundary, iron stake as recorded in Jackson County Deeds, Vol. 197, p. 470, which is 580 feet south and 714 feet east of center of Section 10, T. 35 S., R. 2 E., W.M.; and on south alley line south of Block 3, Town of Butte Falls, Oregon; and 206 feet west and 20 feet south of southeast corner of Block 3 and 100 feet from centerline of old Owen-Oregon R.R. (Medco haul road); thence South 71° 34' East 1,826.55 feet; thence North 0°41' West 466.49 feet; thence South 89° 19' West 1,346.00 feet to the point of beginning, said parcel of land (excluding area dedicated to public roads) comprising 6.105 acres.



SCALE: 1" = 50'-0"
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 ROGUE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST
 THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION
 BUTTE MILLS RANGER STATION
 AS-BUILT SITE PLAN

APPROVED: _____ TITLE: _____
 FOREST SUPERVISOR
 R.O. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

DATE: _____
 OF: _____

- LEGEND**
- 1. CLEARCUT
 - 2. MANAGED
 - 3. UNMANAGED
 - 4. OPEN AND WOOD
 - 5. PROPERTY LINE
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