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REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

historic name: Red Shirt Bridge

other name/site number: South Dakota Dept. of Trans. Br. No. 17-596-138

2. Location

street & number: South Dakota State Highway 40 over the Cheyenne River

not for publication:

city/town: Red Shirt

vicinity: X

state: SD county: Custer

code: 033 zip code:

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: public-local

Category of Property: structure

Number of Resources within Property:

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

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Bridges in South Dakota

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official

Date 10/12/97

State or Federal agency and bureau

S. M. O. M. SHPO

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this 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):

S. M. O. M. SHPO 12/9/93

Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

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6. Function or Use
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Historic: Transportation Sub: road-related (vehicular)

Current : Transportation Sub: road-related (vehicular)

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification:

Other

Other Description: Steel stringer

Materials: foundation concrete roof _____
walls _____ other metal: steel

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance
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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: _____.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : _____

Areas of Significance: Politics/Government

Period(s) of Significance: 1943 - 1943

Significant Dates : 1943 1944 _____

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: _____

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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X See continuation sheet.

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 -- Specify Repository: South Dakota Department of Transportation

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 10. Geographical Data
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Acreeage of Property: less than 1 acre

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>13</u>	<u>671700</u>	<u>4836930</u>	B	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
C	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	D	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

 See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: See continuation sheet.

The nominated property consists of a rectangle, 17 feet wide by 767 feet long, whose vertices coincide with the outside corners of the bridge abutments at each end of the bridge, and includes only the bridge superstructure and substructure.

Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.

Because the bridge is located on a public road, there are no legal boundary lines for the ends of the bridge. Therefore, these boundaries are drawn to encompass only the superstructure and substructure of the bridge itself.

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 11. Form Prepared By
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The Red Shirt Bridge is 1.5 miles north of Red Shirt and carries SD Highway 40 over the Cheyenne River. The steel stringer spans, eight main spans (76 feet each) and an approach span on the north and south ends, sit on nine solid concrete piers and two solid concrete abutments with straight wingwalls. The deck, which is concrete with asphalt surface, sits on top of four I-beam stringers which are bolted atop the piers. The stringers have concrete bridging in between. The deck is a single lane road which sits on the east half of each pier. The piers were built to accommodate a two lane road, but possibly because of the lack of funding during the war, only a single lane was built. The railing is concrete balustrade with nine panels per each of the main spans, with each span having four posts, dividing the span into three major divisions. Each division has three panels. The approach spans have six panels, two panels in each of three divisions. The bridge retains excellent integrity.

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8. Significance

The Red Shirt Bridge is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places as part of the "Historic Bridges in South Dakota" Multiple Property Nomination. It is related to the historic context of "Historic Bridges in South Dakota, 1893-1943" and is classified with the associated property type for steel stringer and steel girder bridges. This bridge is individually eligible for the National Register under Criterion A as the only bridge built during World War II under the supervision of the State Highway Commission and for its association with the Ellsworth Air Force Base near Rapid City. The bridge retains excellent integrity

With the onset of World War II, the State of South Dakota curtailed its bridge construction program which had been active during the New Deal era. The only bridge constructed during the war was the Red Shirt Bridge, leading to the bombing range at Red Shirt at Ellsworth Air Force Base near Rapid City. Originally known as the Rapid City Air Base, Ellsworth was established as a training facility for the war effort.

9. Bibliography

1943 imprinted on each pier, 1944 imprinted on railing of deck.

"Interview with Kenneth R. Scurr, former South Dakota Bridge Engineer" by Professor Emory Johnson, SD State University, Missouri River Bridges of SD, 1920 to 1980, Bridge File, Memorial Building, Pierre, page 7.

Herbert S. Schell, History of South Dakota, 3rd edition, (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1975) p. 299.

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: see below Date Listed: 12/09/93

Property Name: see below

County: see below State: South Dakota

Historic Bridges in South Dakota MPS

Multiple Name

The following properties are listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Ronda McClelland
Signature of the Keeper

December 9, 1993
Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

Section 3/8. State Certification/Statement of Significance. Certifying official has considered the significance of the following properties to be of state significance.

Reference No.	Property	County
93001295	Capa Bridge	Jones County
93001287	Chilson Bridge	Fall River County
93001308	Eighth Street Bridge	Minnehaha County
93001298	Esmond Bridge	Kingsbury County
93001317	Hall Bridge	Spink County
93001274	Hay Creek Bridge	Butte County
93001264	Kemp Avenue Bridge	Codington County
93001266	Larson Bridge	Codington County
93001277	Minnesela Bridge	Butte County
93001268	Old Cochrane Bridge	Deuel County
93001281	Red Shirt Bridge	Custer County
93001300	Redwater Bridge, Old	Lawrence County

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93001269	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 03-338-100	Beadle County
93001260	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 03-020-008	Beadle County
93001261	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 03-327-230	Beadle County
93001270	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 05-028-200	Bon Homme county
93001271	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 05-032-170	Bon Homme County
93001272	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 05-138-080	Bon Homme County
93001273	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 05-255-130	Bon Homme County
93001276	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 10-112-355	Butte County
93001275	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 10-109-360	Butte County
93001278	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 12-503-230	Charles Mix County
93001265	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 15-210-136	Codington County
93001279	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 16-570-054	Carson County
93001280	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 17-289-107	Custer County
93001282	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 18-040-137	Davison County
93001283	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 18-060-202	Davison County
93001284	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 18-100-052	Davison County
93001285	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 18-142-150	Davison County
93001286	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 20-153-210	Deuel County
93001288	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 25-218-141	Faulk County
93001262	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 25-380-142	Faulk County
93001289	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 27-000-201	Gregory County
93001290	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 27-060-298	Gregory County

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93001291	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 29-221-060	Hamlin County
93001292	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 29-279-010	Hamlin County
93001293	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 30-257-400	Hand County
93001294	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 31-115-110	Hanson County
93001297	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 39-006-070	Kingsbury County
93001299	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 39-176-100	Kingsbury County
93001301	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 44-028-220	McCook County
93001302	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 44-212-090	McCook County
93001303	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 47-215-363	Meade County
93001263	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 47-151-389	Meade County
93001305	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 48-244-204	Melette County
93001306	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 49-095-190	Miner County
93001267	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 50-200-035	Minnehaha County
93001310	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 56-090-096	Sanborn County
93001312	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 56-174-090	Sanborn County
93001311	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 56-117-123	Sanborn County
93001313	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-010-376	Spink County
93001314	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-021-400	Spink County
93001315	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-025-370	Spink County
93001316	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-062-270	Spink County
93001318	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-120-231	Spink County
63001319	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-140-224	Spink County

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63001320	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 58-218-360	Spink County
63001321	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 62-220-512	Tripp County
63001322	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 64-061-199	Union County
93001309	Split Rock Park Bridge	Minnehaha County
93001304	Stamford Bridge	Miner County
93001307	Summit Avenue Viaduct	Minnehaha County
93001296	Van Metre Bridge	Jones County

Section 8: Applicable Criteria

93001266 Larson Bridge Codington County

Criterion C should be checked and not A to be consistent with bridge's significance in engineering for its method of construction.

Section 8: Period of Significance

93001266 Larson Bridge Codington County

Period of significance is amended to read "1917" to indicate date of construction and to be consistent with significance in engineering.

93001281 Red Shirt Bridge Custer County

Period of significance is amended to read "1943-1944" to cover the period of construction.

93001278 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 12-503-230
Faulk County

Due to typographical error, period of significance is corrected to read " 1920-1943."

93001265 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 15-210-136
Codington County

Period of significance is amended to read "1917" since significance is under criterion C in engineering and the date of construction should be entered.

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93001262 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 25-380-
142 Faulk County

Period of significance is amended to read "1902" because the area of significance is engineering and the period of significance should be based on the date of construction. The bridge was moved from its original site in 1955.

Section 8: Date of Significance

93001308 Eighth Street Bridge Minnehaha County

"1977" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance.

93001317 Hall Bridge Spink County

"1904" is deleted because bridge is significant under criterion C for engineering and the move in 1904 falls outside the period of significance which is based on the date of construction and does not appear to have particular importance.

93001286 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 20-153-
210 Deuel County

"1960" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance.

93001262 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 25-380-
142 Faulk County

"1955" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance.

93001302 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 44-212-
090 McCook County

"1960" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance.

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93001267 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 50-200-
035 Minnehaha County

"1935" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance which is based on the date of construction.

93001311 South Dakota Dept. of Transportation Bridge No. 56-117-
123 Sanborn County

"1905" is deleted because the date lies outside the period of significance and does not appear to have particular importance.

Melissa Dirr, architectural historian, of the South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office was notified of the above-mentioned amendments by telephone on December 09, 1993.

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