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Notice to file:

This property has been automatically listed in the National Register of Historic Places. This is due to the fact that the publication of our Federal Register Notice: "National Register of Historic Places: Pending Nominations and Other Actions" was delayed beyond our control to the point where the mandated 15 day public comment period ended after our required 45 day time frame to act on the nomination. If the 45th day falls on a weekend or Federal holiday, the property will be automatically listed the next business day. The nomination is technically adequate and meets the National Register criteria for evaluation, and thus, automatically listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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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 Prope	rty ======					====		
historic name	BAZA	OUTDOOR OVEN						_
other names/site	number	BAZA HOTNO	66-09-227	1				
2. Location								
street & number city or town	YONA	ce Baza Road	county _	not	for vici	publ:	icati YON	on
zip code 96915		code	_ county _					code
3. State/Federal	Agency	========= Certification	========					
As the designate amended, I hereby determination of properties in the and professional property _X_ mee recommend that the statewide	y certif eligibi e Nation require ts his prop	y that this X lity meets the al Register of ments set forth does not meet t erty be conside	_ nomination documentation Historic Plant in 36 CFR In the National red signification in the National control signification in the National contro	n on st aces Part Regi cant	anda and 60.	eques ards a meets In r	t for r for r the my op teria	egistering procedura inion, the
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State or Federal Agency or Tribal government

In my opinion, the property X meets criteria. (See continuation sheet for ad	ditional comments.)	
Signature of commenting official/Title	Jell 9-30.10 Date)
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Department of Parks, Recreation and Hist Resources Division, State Historic Prese		m Historic
State or Federal agency and bureau		
4. 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):		
	Signature of Keeper	Date of Action
5. Classification		
Ownership of Property (Check as many box	es as apply)	
Category of Property (Check only one box building(s) district site structure object		
Number of Resources within Property		
Contributing Noncontributing buildings sites		

_	objects Total	
Number of o	contributing resources previously 0	listed in the National
	Lated multiple property listing (E	Enter "N/A" if property is not part
GUAM' S	HOTNO	
6. Function	n or Use	
Historic Fu	nctions (Enter categories from in DOMESTIC Sub:	secondary structure for roasting and baking
=	AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE	processing in oven
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7. Descript	ion	
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Narrative D	Description (Describe the historic	and current condition of the

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property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. State	ment o	of Significance
Applicab	le Nat	tional Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the ifying 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.
<u>xx</u>	_ 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.
<u>xx</u>	_ D	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.
Criteria	Cons	iderations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)
_	_ A	owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
	_ в	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	Sign	ificance (Enter categories from instructions)
		ETHNIC HERITAGE
		HISTORIC TECHNOLOGY
Period o	f Sign	nificance SPANISH COLONIAL PERIOD FIRST AMERICAN PERIOD POST WWII PERIOD

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the continuation sheet.)	boundaries of the property	
Boundary Justification (Explain why the bocontinuation sheet.)	oundaries were selected on a	a
11. Form Prepared By		
name/title_Darlene Moore, archaeologist		
organization Micronesian Archaeological Re	es. Srvcs. date 8/30/08	
street & number_P.O. Box 22303	telephone (671)	734-1129
city or town_Barrigada s	tate GU zip code 96921	
Additional Documentation		
Submit the following items with the comple	eted form:	
Continuation Sheets		
Maps A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) A sketch map for historic districts or numerous resources.		
Photographs Representative black and white photographs	graphs of the property.	
Additional items (Check with the SHPO or	FPO for any additional items	5)
Property Owner		
(Complete this item at the request of the name Vincent and Teresita Baza Rosario		
street & number_Beatrice Baza Road	telephone 789-169	94
city or town Yona	state <u>GU</u> zip code <u>90</u>	6915
7. Narrative Description (historic and co	urrent condition of the prop	perty).

The Baza hotno is located on the north side of the concrete house north of Teresita's house which is located at the end of Beatrice Baza Road, a dirt track west of As Baza Road on the south side of Balajadia St. in Yona. The oven sits on a large concrete slab that once was roofed as part of an outdoor kitchen. The oven is part of a structural complex that includes the concrete

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7. Narrative Description (Continued)

bodega (basement or first level of a house structure) of Teresita's parents' house and a concrete water catchment, both built prior to WWII and located just east of the oven. The upper portion of the house is gone, and both the bodega and catchment currently are unused. The oven was built in 1951-52 to replace an earlier oven that was destroyed during WWII. Teresita's grandmother, Teresa Cepeda Baza, had it built by Tun Vicente Flores, a Yona carpenter who was well known at the time for his superior construction skills.

The Baza hotno is a modern interpretation of an oven form that was introduced to Guam during the Spanish Colonial Period (A.D. 1668-1898). Although the construction materials used to build the ovens changed over time, the oven style retained the same basic shape.

The barrel-shaped oven measures about 2.08 m long, 1.46 m wide, and 1.67 m tall. The base is about .60 m high and the top of the elongated vault is about 1.07 m above the vault floor. It appears that the oven base was formed by pouring concrete into a form made from sheets of corrugated tin. Horizontal impressions are visible on the surfaces of all four walls of the base. At the front of the oven there is a .80 m high extension that extends .52 m out from the base, and it is .16 m wider than the left side of the base. In front of the opening there is a .23 m wide gap that continues to the concrete slab.

The walls and roof of the vault are about .25 m thick and finished on the exterior with a cement or lime-based plaster. The vault walls are built of heat resistant bricks and mortar; 12 courses of bricks can be seen on the vault interior, extending from the vault floor to the underside of the flat roof where a metal framework, consisting of two long pieces and two cross pieces, is visible. This framework lends support to the roof. Some letters can be seen on the surface of some of the exposed bricks, but no words were recognized. The main opening is .72 m tall by .49 m wide, and three of its outside edges are reinforced with sturdy pieces of angle iron that measure about .10 m on a side. The circular vent in the back wall has a diameter of .10 m. The flat top of the vault measures 2.05 m long by .91 m wide.

Teresita said that if the oven was going to be used for light baking, such as bread or cookies, dried coconut leaves were used as fuel to heat it. When pigs were to be roasted, heavier wood was burned. Different food types were cooked

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7. Narrative Description (Continued).

separately. In other words, breads or pastries would not be baked along with meats, but different kinds of meats could be roasted at the same time. To heat the oven, the fire burned inside the chamber until the inside bricks turned white. Then the chamber was cleaned out and whatever was going to be baked or roasted was placed inside. The main door was closed and the back vent was stopped. Sometimes the trunk of the banana plant was trimmed to use as a "cork" to stop the back vent.

One of the foods that the family prepared in the oven was breadfruit. After baking the slices were placed in biscuit tins where they could be stored for a time. Hard bread (pan tosta in Chamorro) was also baked in the oven. Sometimes the family took orders from other families for roasting or baking; there was a charge for this service. The oven could hold four pigs at once.

This oven is in good condition, it retains its sense of place and character.

8. Statement of Significance

The Baza hotno is significant under National Register Criteria C and D. Criterion C states that properties may be eligible for the National Register if they embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction. This oven exhibits traits of design and methods of construction that are similar to other ovens of this type.

Criterion D states that a property must have yielded or must have the potential to yield important information about some aspect of history. It is likely that if the oven were studied in more detail, additional information would be gained about specific techniques employed in its construction and use.

9. Major Bibliographical references

Barratt, Glynn (Translator and Editor). 2003. An Account of the Corvette L'Uranie's Sojourn at the Mariana Islands, 1819 by Louis Claude de Freycinet. Occasional Historical Papers No. 13, CNMI Division of Historic Preservation.

Driver, M.G. 2005. The Spanish Governors of the Mariana Islands. Micronesian Area Research Center, University of Guam.

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Safford, W.E. 1910. A Year on the Island of Guam. Library of Congress, Washington D.C.

Safford, W.E. 1905. Useful Plants of Guam. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.

Topping, D.M., P.M. Ogo, and B.C. Dungca. 1975. Chamorro-English Dictionary. University of Hawaii Press, Honolulu.

Thompson, L. 1947. Guam and Its People. Greenwood Press, New York.

10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description: The boundary for the oven is the structure and its immediate surroundings which includes an area that measures about 5 m square.

Boundary Justification: The boundary includes just the area that supports the oven structure.

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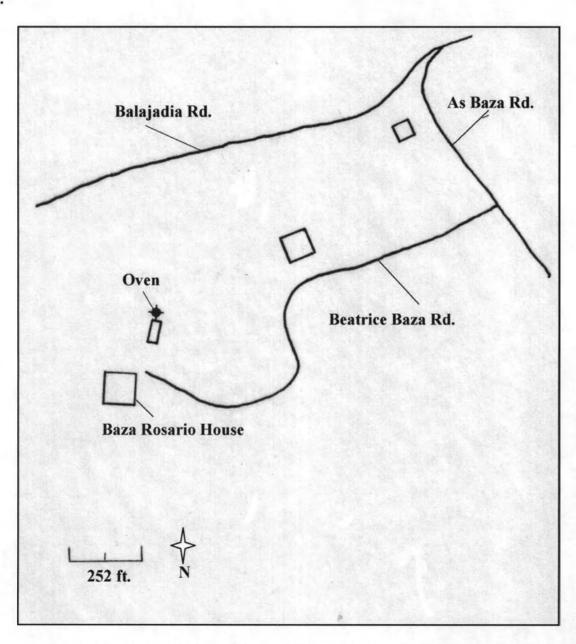
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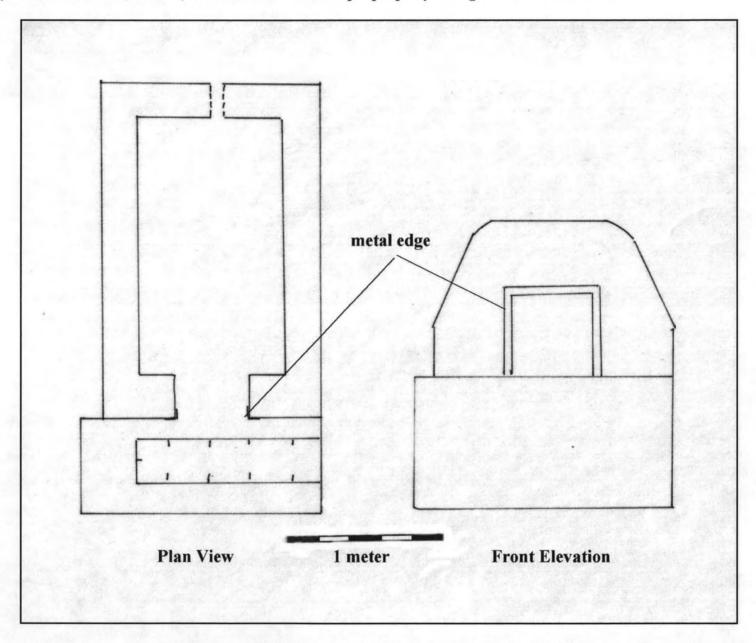
Sketch map:



Sketch map showing the location of the Baza Oven in Yona, Guam.

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Drawings of the Baza Hotnu showing the plan and front elevation.

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Photos:

Photo 1

1. Name of Property: Baza Hotnu

2. Yona, Guam

3. Name of Photographer: Darlene Moore

4. Date of Photograph: March 2, 2008

5. Location of original negative: Micronesian Archaeological Research Services

6. Description of view: Camera facing east, showing the front of the oven and the metal trim around the opening.

Photo 2

1. Name of Property: Baza Hotnu

2. Yona, Guam

3. Name of Photographer: Darlene Moore

4. Date of Photograph: March 2, 2008

5. Location of original negative: Micronesian Archaeological Research Services

6. Description of view: Camera facing west, showing the rear and side of the oven. Note the back vent, the horizontal impressions made by pouring concrete for the base into a frame made from corrugated tin, and the four pieces of angle iron used to help support the vault roof.

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Significance:

The appropriate level of significance is: state.

[The current documentation does not support a national level of significance for the ovens. There is insufficient context related to the broader national themes of U.S ethnic history or technology.]

The appropriate areas of significance should read: Ethnic Heritage-Pacific Islander, Archeology/Historic-Non-aboriginal, Architecture and Social History.

The Period of Significance and Significance Dates should read: 1951-52. [The Period of Significance must relate directly to the resource being nominated and cannot predate the construction of the resource. While information obtained from the site might add to the understanding of a broader period, the period of significance selected must reflect the point at which the resource actually attained the characteristics which qualify it for listing in the NR.]

These clarifications were confirmed with the GUAM SHPO office.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

RECOM. / CRITERIA Accept (2+D)

TELEPHONE

PROPERTY Baza Outdoor Oven NAME:
MULTIPLE Guam's Outdoor Ovens MPS NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: GUAM, Guam
DATE RECEIVED: 10/18/10 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/22/10 DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/07/10 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/03/10 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
REFERENCE NUMBER: 10000972
REASONS FOR REVIEW:
APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N REQUEST: Y SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: Y
COMMENT WAIVER: N
ACCEPTRETURNREJECTDATE
ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:
The Baza Outdoor Oven is significant under National Register Criterion C and D in the areas of Ethnic Heritage – Pacific Islander, Archeology/Historic-Non-aboriginal, Architecture, and Social History. The c. 1951 oven is representative of the vernacular outdoor baking structures built in Guam during the early twentieth century, carrying on a cultural tradition that originated with the Spanish Colonial settlement period (1668-1898). The oven's basic form and construction materials reflect both historic precedents and evolving patterns of local development. Further research into the property and its immediate "workplace" setting may yield important information regarding vernacular construction technologies and local social/cultural traditions, particularly those associated with food preparation and consumption.
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DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

DISCIPLINE

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



Baza Hotnu Photo No. 1



Baza Hotnu Photo No. 2