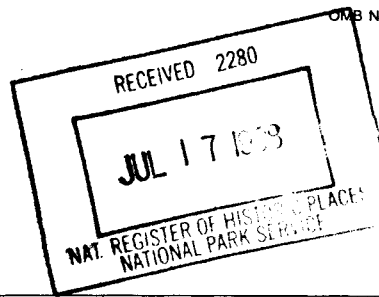


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Moran Bay Patrol Cabin

other name/site number: Smithsonian #48TE1154

2. Location

street & number: North bank of Moran Bay, on Jackson Lake

not for publication: n/a  
vicinity: X

city/town: Moose

state: Wyoming code: WY

county: code: 039

zip code: 83012

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    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.)

Ronald M. Shenberg \_\_\_\_\_ Date 7-9-98  
Signature of certifying official/Title

Department of Interior, National Park Service  
State or Federal agency or bureau

In my opinion, the property X meets    does not meet the National Register criteria.

Shirley Bricker-wood \_\_\_\_\_ Date 5-15-98  
Signature of commenting or other official

Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> entered in the National Register <u>  </u> see continuation sheet	Signature of the Keeper <u>Linda McElbert</u> Date of Action <u>5/25/98</u>
<u>  </u> determined eligible for the National Register <u>  </u> see continuation sheet	
<u>  </u> determined not eligible for the National Register <u>  </u> see continuation sheet	
<u>  </u> removed from the National Register <u>  </u> see continuation sheet	
<u>  </u> other (explain)	

Name of Property

County and State

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal

Category of Property: Building

Number of contributing resources previously  
listed in the National Register: N/AName of related multiple property listing: Grand Teton National Park Multiple  
Property Listing

## Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		building(s)
		sites
		structures
		objects
1		Total

## 6. Function or Use

## Historic Functions:

Transportation/pedestrian related

## Current Function:

Transportation/pedestrian related

## 7. Description

## Architectural Classification:

Other

## Materials:

foundation: stone

walls: log

roof: wood

other:

## Narrative Description

The Moran Bay patrol cabin is located near the base of a steep hillslope near the mouth of North Moran Creek, on the north bank of Jackson Lake's Moran Bay. Used as one in a series of cabins to serve USFS (and, later, NPS) rangers on the winter patrol loop around the north end of the park, the site was a one-day hike from patrol cabins at both Leigh Lake to the south and Colter Canyon to the north. A dense pine and fir forest surrounds the building on three sides, leaving only the impressive view of Moran Bay to the south. Historically, rangers approached the cabin by trail from Leigh Lake. It is now also accessed by boat.

## Statement of Integrity

Modifications to the cabin appear to be limited to the 1995 reconstruction of the front porch and the addition of a log staircase at the front of the building. These alterations are minor and do not disguise the building's association with federal Rustic architecture, as developed by the National Park Service and the United States Forest Service during the 1920s and 1930s.

## Moran Bay Patrol Cabin (#46), constructed ca. 1932

The Moran Bay cabin is a rectangular, one-story, log building, constructed on a stone-pier foundation, overlooking Moran Bay on Jackson Lake. The corners of the building are joined with ventral saddle-notches. Log ends at the corners are cut to flare outward slightly at the bottom, and the exterior walls are daubed with cement mortar held in place with wood stops. The gable roof is covered with wood shingles, and features exposed log purlins and a metal stove pipe in the east slope.

See continuation page.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

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**Applicable National Register Criteria:** A, C**Criteria Considerations (Exceptions):** N/A**Significant Person(s):** N/A**Cultural Affiliation:** N/A**Areas of Significance:** Conservation; Architecture**Period(s) of Significance:** ca. 1932-1948**Significant Dates:****Architect/Builder:** United States Forest Service

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**Narrative Statement of Significance****Summary**

Like the cabins at Upper Granite Canyon, Cascade Canyon, and Death Canyon, the Moran Bay Patrol Cabin is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under criteria A and C, for its association with Grand Teton National Park Administration and Development and its association with federal Rustic architecture. (Please see the Park Administration and Development Context, GRTE MPS, for a more complete discussion of the need for and characteristics of back country infrastructure.) The cabin's period of significance extends from construction ca. 1932 until the end of the historical period as defined by the National Register (1948), or until the cabin is no longer an important component of the park's backcountry administrative system. The interior contributes to the building's significance.

The Moran Bay Patrol Cabin appears to have been shared by various federal agencies. The cabin is located in an area that was administered by the US Forest Service from ca. 1905 until 1943. (Some park records indicate that CCC crews built the Moran Bay cabin however they also list the date of construction as 1932 - a year before the establishment of the CCC.) The building conforms to a standard design used widely by the Forest Service for backcountry cabins. In 1943, with the establishment of Grand Teton National Monument the NPS assumed administrative control for monument lands and the improvements located within them.

Although the NPS did not administer the area until 1943, the Moran Bay cabin is mentioned in GRTE management plans as early as 1938 (in which it is identified as a "snowshoe" cabin). Administrative trails linked Moran Bay cabin with other NPS and USFS backcountry infrastructure.

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**9. Major Bibliographic References**


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Doug McClaren, telephone interview with Ann Hubber, Historical Research Associates, December 1995.

Rick Watson, GRTE trail supervisor, telephone interview with Ann Hubber, Historical Research Associates, December 1995.

NPS, *Fixed Property Records*, Moran Bay Patrol Cabin.

NPS, Monthly and Yearly reports of the Resident Landscape Architect and his assistants, 1934-1937, Box D37, Yellowstone National Park Archives, Mammoth Hot Springs, Wy.

**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:

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**10. Geographical Data**


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**Acreage of Property:** less than one acre

UTM References:	Zone	Easting	Northing
	A 12	513780	4834422

**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundaries parallel the foundation line, 10' beyond the eave overhang. See attached site map.

**Boundary Justification**

These boundaries encompass only the cabin. The historic GRTE trail system, connecting front-country administrative facilities with the patrol-cabin loop, may be added to the site boundaries at a later date, creating a backcountry administration/tourist trail historic district.

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**11. Form Prepared By**


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**name/title:** Janene Caywood, Ann Hubber, Kathryn Schneid  
**organization:** Historical Research Associates, Inc.      **date:** 1997  
**street & number:** P.O. Box 7086      **telephone:** 406 721-1958  
**city or town:** Missoula      **state:** MT      **zip code:** 59807-7086

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**Property Owner**


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**name/title:** National Park Service  
**street & number:** Grand Teton National Park Headquarters      **telephone:** 307 739-3300  
**city or town:** Moose      **state:** WY      **zip code:** 83012

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### 7. Narrative Description, continued

On the south elevation, the roof extends past the front wall of the building to shelter a partially enclosed porch. A simple log truss (supported by three log columns) is exposed in the porch gable. The lower half of the east and west sides of the porch are enclosed with logs that tie into the vertical log columns; the porch has a split log floor. The porch is accessed via a newly constructed (1995) stairway with log railings and half-log stair treads. The entry to the building is offset west of center in the south wall sheltered by the porch, and contains a vertical-board door paired with a wood-frame screen door. A six-light fixed-sash window with plain board trim is located east of the entry.

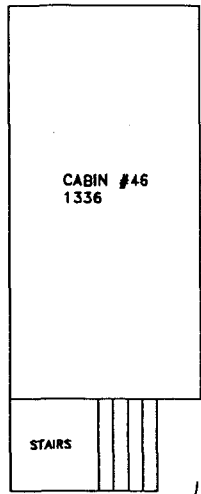
The east elevation contains a six-light fixed-sash window, and the west elevation contains a six-light by six-light sliding-sash window. The north elevation contains no features. All of the windows in the building are fitted with bear barriers that consist of vertical metal bars interwoven with barbed wire.

### Interior

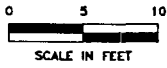
This building has only one room. The log walls are chinked with split poles, and the log purlins and board sheathing of the roof are exposed. The cabin contains a newly varnished board floor. The window frames are painted white.

GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK  
MORAN BAY PATROL CABIN




NR STATUS: ELIGIBLE



SITE BOUNDARY



LEGEND

-  TREELINE
-  STEEP PATH TO LAKESIDE
-  SITE BOUNDARY

JACKSON LAKE



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**SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD**

NRIS Reference Number: 98001037

Property Name: Moran Bay Patrol Cabin

County: Teton State: Wyoming

Grand Teton MPS  
Multiple Name

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This property is 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.

*Sandra McClellan*      August 25, 1998  
Signature of the Keeper      Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Section 7 Description: "Federal Rustic" is, hereby, entered with "other" under Architectural Style.

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Chris Whitaker of the Intermountain Regional Office was notified of this amendment.

**DISTRIBUTION:**  
National Register property file  
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)