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CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

JUL - 8 1986

REGION RMRO PARK/AREA NAME Arches Natl. Park PARK NUMBER 1348

STRUCTURE NAME Ringhoffer Inscription STRUCTURE NUMBER ARCH - 12

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE Tower Arch PARK LOCATION CODE PG

NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)

NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT NO

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:

Stabilization Cyclic Maintenance Routine Maintenance Approved Ultimate Treatment

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:

- Preservation (PP) Restoration (RR) Reconstruction (CC)
- Adaptive Preservation (AP) Adaptive Restoration (AR) Adaptive Reconstruction (AC)
- Neglect (NG) Remove (RM) No Approved Treatment (NO)

Approval Document _____ () Document Date: / /

Estimated Treatment Costs _____

Stabilization: \$ _____ Date: / / Level of Estimate: (A) (B) (C)

Approved Treatment: \$ _____ Date: / / Estimator: (Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: / / 1923 Date of Alterations: / / None apparent

Architect/Designer: A. Ringhoffer Historical Theme(s): Park Development (IX D)

History of Structure: This inscription, left to claim discovery of the Tower Arch by Mr. Alex Ringhoffer, is one that dates to the era of/ and is associated with one of the early popularizers of the idea of the area being set aside as a national monument. The Ringhoffer family, among others, claim credit for that idea.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing Non-Contributing _____

National Register Criteria: A B C D (Include integrity statement)

The site, an inscription, retains its physical integrity and is highly legible. It is fifty years old.

Bibliography: Ringhoffer Information, Historic Files, Arches National Park.

Representation in Other Surveys: NO

If structure has been removed, how? N/A Date: / /

Report prepared by: S. F. Mehls Date: 9/9/86

Condition: G

Documentation: G

Significance: L

Internal Impacts: N/A

External Impacts: L/ERO/WEA

CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME Ringhoffer Inscription

LOCATION: Section 22 State Utah USE: CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) ZZ
Township 23S County Grand Original Use Commemoration
Range 20E Intermediate Uses N/A
PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

OWNERSHIP: Present Owner: NPS DRAWING NO. _____
Original Owner: GLO NEGATIVE NO. CAB 10, # 16, 17
Intermediate Owner(s): _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

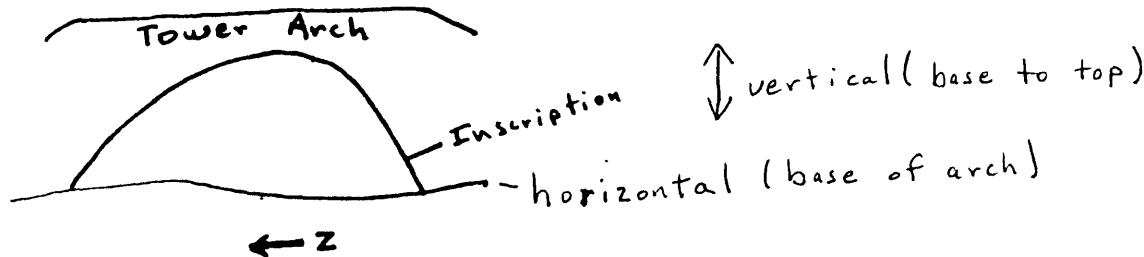
(DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

Type: OT (inscription)
Material: ST The inscription is heavily incised into the stone.
Dimensions: 4'9" w c 3'6" h
Inscription says: Discovered
BY MR AND
MRS ALEX RINGHOFFER
AND SONS
1922-3



(non-associated inscription)

Vertical View:



SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:

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Ringhoffer Inscription (Park Development Theme)

This inscription is incised into the buttress of Tower Arch, one of the arches that gave the Park its name. The inscription is heavily incised into the stone. The panel measures 4'9" by 3'6". There is another inscription on the buttress, but it is removed from the Ringhoffer Inscription and not considered as an intrusion or as marring the integrity of the Ringhoffer Inscription.

See attached LCS form.

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Ringhoffer Inscription

Function or Use:

Historic: natural feature/commemorative marker
Present: outdoor recreation/hiking trail

Geographic Data:

Acreage: one

UTM Reference: 12 6 13 950 42 94 100

Verbal Boundary Description:

The Ringhoffer Inscription is on the southern buttress of Tower Arch and is bounded by a circle seven feet in diameter centered on the center of the inscription. Because of its association with the significance of the resource all of Tower Arch is also included in this nomination.

Boundary Justification:

The boundary was selected as stated above to include the inscription(resource) and the arch it is on because the arch, while a natural feature, contributes both to the significance and meaning of the inscription and to the historic setting.

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88001185 Date Listed: 10/6/88

<u>Ringhoffer Inscription</u>	<u>Grand</u>	<u>Utah</u>
Property Name	County	State

Arched National Park MRA
Multiple Name

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.

C. D. Shull

Signature of the Keeper

10-6-88

Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Because an acceptable case was made for the historical significance of Alex Ringhoffer, this resource should be considered significant under criterion B as well as criterion A. The addition of this criterion was confirmed by Mary Shivers Culpin of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)