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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in <u>Guidelines</u> for <u>Completing National Register Forms</u> (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries. Use letter quality printers in 12 pitch. Use only 25% or greater cotton content bond paper.

| 1. Name of Property   | ·····  | ····  |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| historic name Andy Chan                                     | nbers Ranch Historic Dis                                 | trict   |  |
| Other names/site number                                     | N/A  |   |  |
| 2. Location   |  | <u></u>   |  |
| street & number N/A   |  | N/A not for publication                                     |  |
| city, town Moose  |  | X vicinity  |  |
| state Wyoming   | code WY county Teton                                     | <u>code 039</u> zip code N/A                                |  |
| 3. Classification   |  |   |  |
| Ownership of Property                                       | Category of Property                                     | No. of Resources within Proper                              |  |
| private<br>public-local<br>public-State<br>X public-Federal | building(s)<br>X district<br>site<br>structure<br>object | contributingnoncontributing90000000000000000000000000000000 |  |
| Name of related multiple property listing:                  |  | No. of contributing resources                               |  |
| Grand Teton National Park Historic                          |  | previously listed in the<br>National Register 0             |  |

| 4. State/Federal Agency Certification   | ·····   |
|---|---|
| As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act<br>as amended, I hereby certify that this <u>nomination</u> request for deter<br>of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering prope<br>the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and<br>professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opin:<br>property <u>meets</u> does not meet the National Register criteria.<br>See continuation sheet. | rmination<br>erties in                        |
| Signature of certifying official<br>Natural Park Service<br>State or Federal agency or bureau<br>State or Federal agency or bureau  |   |
| In my opinion, the property $X$ meets does not meet the National Regist criteria See continuation sheet.  | ter   |
| RuriasMarcanDSHPO2/28/90Signature of commenting or other officialDate   | <u></u>                                       |
| State or Federal agency or bureau   |   |
| WYOMING STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  |   |
| 5. National Park Service Certification  |   |
| I, hereby, certify that this property is:<br><u>L'</u> entered in the National Register<br><u>See continuation sheet</u><br><u>Austhall</u>   | <u>4-23</u> -90                               |
| determined eligible for the National<br>RegisterSee continuation sheet  | weight for the statistical states             |
| determined not eligible for the   | Ruffing and Resolution and American           |
| removed from the National Register  |   |
| other, (explain:)   |   |
| Signature of the Keeper   | Date  |
| 6. Functions or Use   |   |
| Historic Functions Current Functions  |   |
| (enter categories from instructions) (enter categories from instructions)   |   |
| Agricultural/ agricultural buildings Agricultural/ agricultural buildings   | Ildings                                       |
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|             |                                    | 7. Description                       |  |
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|             | Materials                          | Architectural Classification         |  |
| structions) | (enter categories from instruction | (enter categories from instructions) |  |
| ade         | foundations stone, on grade        |                                      |  |
|             | walls log, wood                    | Other: vernacular                    |  |
|             | roof wood, asphalt roofing         |                                      |  |
| Ces         | other wood and wire fences         |                                      |  |
|             |                                    |                                      |  |

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Today the Andy Chambers Ranch is nearly as built except for deterioration and maintenance activities that have been undertaken to keep the property The mix of house and farm buildings still convey the sense of the useable. farm/ranch that once existed there. On the farmstead there is evidence of the growth and apparent permanence sought by its previous owner as frame house has replaced the original cabin as the primary residence, but log buildings from, or similar to those of the pioneer period make up the majority of the extant outbuildings. The frame buildings at the farmstead date to the 1920s as Chambers expanded the complex during those years. The buildings include the house, an outhouse, a garage, a barn, a chicken house, a machine shed, grain storage buildings, and an oil shed Architecturally, the house and farm buildings can only be described as vernacular. Evidences of the use of pre-manufactured doors and window panels in some of the buildings are present. As these buildings are now owned by the National Park Service under life estate the occupants and/or previous owners are expending very little effort to maintain them and as a result the possibly once brighter colors are fading so that a weathered wood tone is the predominate color.

The Chambers Ranch was part of a settlement known as Mormon Row. The road that runs north and south adjacent to the complex was the historic heart of Mormon Row and remains in place in front of the ranch. Mormon Row was a Mormon line village much like the one found at Grouse Creek, Utah. In both cases the settlers attempted to maintain an orderly village as dictated by the Church while making allowances for local topography and the needs of ranching such as large pasture areas. While the central feature of village life, the church building, has been removed, its place remains apparent in a tree lined parcel of land on the road. The row, due to its proximity to Kelly and Jackson, never developed a commercial center. Instead trading was done in Kelly or Jackson. Nonetheless, a discernable community was present there that had its own identity as witnessed by a sign still in place along Mormon Row Road that says "Mormon Row 1897." The Chambers place is located near the center of this settlement, about a quarter of a mile from the site of the former church.

| significance of this property in<br>onally  |
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| $ \underline{X} A \underline{B} \underline{C} \underline{D} \underline{E} \underline{F} \underline{G} $ |
| Period of Significance Significant Dates<br>1917-1925   |
| Cultural Affiliation<br>N/A   |
| Architect/Builder<br>N/A  |
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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Andy Chambers Ranch Historic District is significant under Criteria A in that it remains as the only nearly complete farmstead/ranch of the once densely settled Mormon Row. Its association as representative of Mormon Row is its central significance. Mormons made up the bulk of settlers that entered Jackson Hole from 1900 to 1920, making a significant contribution to the development of local agriculture and the ranch is the only one left in Grand Teton National Park that retains any of its integrity as a homesteading district property type.

The first Mormons moved to Jackson Hole during the late nineteenth century and the in-migration of members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints(LDS) to Jackson Hole continued into the early twentieth century. In 1908, as some lands north of the Gros Ventre River were returned to the public domain from Teton National Forest, Mormons, led by T.A. and John Moulton claimed the lands east of Blacktail Butte and soon others of their faith followed to the locale. Within a few years a discernable community had developed and even though it was not a town it was dubbed Mormon Row because of the religious preference of many of the settlers and the fact that they took up lands on either side of a road that ran north from the Gros Ventre River. Eventually a \_DS church was built on the Row and the settlers started the process of turning pioneer farms into permanent ones. By the 1920s the frontier had passed and Mormon Row became more and more the typical rural western farm and ranching area of the 1920s.

The Chambers ranch meets the registration requirements as a homestead district property type. It retains enough of its outbuildings and as well as the main house to make its function and association with the context readily apparent. There are no inappropriate buildings or structures within the district that detract from the setting, feeling, or association of the district.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References Daugherty, John. "Grand Teton National Park Historic Resource Study." ms. on file, Rocky Mountain Regional Office, National Park Service, 1986. Previous documentations on file (NPS): See continuation sheet preliminary determination of individual listing ( 36 CFR 67) has been requested previously listed in the National Primary location of additional data: State Historic Preservation Office Register previously determined eligible by Other State agency X Federal agency the National Register Local government designated a National Historic Landmark University recorded by Historic American Other Specify Repository: Buildings Survey # recorded by Historic American Grand Teton National Park, NPS Engineering Record # 10. Geographical Data Acreage of property 10 UTM References A 1/2 5/2/7/2/0/0 4/8/3/3/7/0/0 B 1/2 5/2/7/4/0/0 4/8/3/3/7/0/0 Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing C 1/2 5/2/7/4/0/0 4/8/3/3/8/0/0 4/8/3/3/8/0/0 D 1/2 5/2/7/2/0/0 Zone Easting Zone Easting Northing Northing See continuation sheet Verbal Boundary Description The boundaries of the district are defined as a polygon with verticies at the following UTM coordinates: A 12 527200 4833700; B 12 527400 4833700; C 12 527400 4833800; D 12 527200 4833800. The lines are all straight lines. The district is on the Moose, Wyo., U.S.G.S. 7.5' map. See continuation sheet Boundary Justification The boundaries as described include the entire historic district and the farm lots that were part of the "headquarters" area of the ranch during its most active period/period of significance. See continuation sheet 11. Form Prepared By Carol Drake Mehls, President name/title organization Western Historical Studies, Inc. 03/20/88 date street & number 1225 Atlantis Ave. telephone (303)-666-6208

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List of Contributing Resources Andy Chambers Ranch Historic District.

The following properties are considered contributing resources to the Historic District(NPS number): 1312, 1313, 1314, 1315, 1316, 1317, 1318, 1319, 1320

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| Photograph List Mormon Row Historic District                                 |                                      |               |                 |  |  |  |
| Photo Number V   | iew                                  | Direction(to) | Photographer    |  |  |  |
| MR-1 A   | . Chambers House Front 3/4<br>(1312) | Southeast     | Steven Mehls    |  |  |  |
| MR-2 A   | . Chambers Barn Front 3/4<br>(1313)  | Northwest     | Stephen Pettit  |  |  |  |

Negatives on file at Grand Teton National Park

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## **National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet**

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NRIS Reference Number: 90000623

Andy Chambers Ranch Historic District Teton Property Name

County

Date Listed:

WΥ State

Grand Teton National Park MPS 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.

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Signature of the Keeper

Date of Acti

Amended Items in Nomination:

Statement of Significance: The statement of significance includes the contention that the Andy Chambers Ranch Historic District is the "only one left in Grand Teton National Park that retains any of its integrity as a homesteading district property type." Until questions about the homesteading historic context in the Grand Teton National Park are resolved, this statement is removed.

This information was confirmed with Mike Schene, Regional Historian, Rocky Mountain Regional Office, NPS.