**DEPRESSION-ERA BUILDINGS**

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**NAME:** Lake of the Woods Ranger Station (Work Center)

**LOCATION:** Winema National Forest, Klamath Ranger District; Congressional District 2
Vicinity of Klamath Falls, OR (41); Klamath County (035)

**ADDRESS:** USDA Forest Service
Winema National Forest
7th and Walnut Street, PO Box 1390
Klamath Falls, OR 97601

**CLASSIFICATION/CATEGORY:** District

**DESCRIPTION:**

Condition

- Good
- Altered
- Original Site

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Office #2003: Cruciform, 1 1/2 story wood-frame, high poured concrete foundation (ea. 30''), coursing fieldstone veneer, high gable roof with center cross gable, main entry recessed under west center gable which forms porch, supported by four large squared timber posts with slender, curving brackets affixed, five straight squared rubble stone steps access open flagged surface platform. Rear entry, recessed, offset on east (rear) center gable, supported by one squared timber post, short curving bracket, accessed by five squared rubble straight steps. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched, on all gable ends. Eight-over-eight double-hung sash windows. Squared rubble chimney, straddles main ridgeline above juncture of cross gables. Three well-shaped pine trees in rectilinear arrangement, the center tree larger than the flanking trees, centered on east cross-gable pediment. Textured metal roof material. Fluted knotty-pine board paneling with plain pine baseboards interior. Stone fireplace with wood mantel. Ceiling recovered with acoustical tile but boxed beams are still evident. Wood floor.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Administrative Residence #1021: T-shaped, 1 1/2 story wood-frame, poured concrete foundation, coursing fieldstone veneer, wood-shingled high gable roof with cross gable on east end, projecting center porch gable on south (main facade), offset in cross gable end, supported by two heavy
squared timber posts with short, flush curved brackets affixed, two coursed stone steps access open flagged-surface platform, rear entrance recessed, offset in cross-gable end on north facade, porch supported by one heavy squared timber post with short, flush curved bracket, accessed by two straight coursed rubble stone steps. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched, on all gable ends. Single coursed rubble chimney offset on north slope of main gable. Eight-over-eight double-hung sash windows, boarded. No decoration. No obvious structural or material alterations to exterior. Fluted knotty-pine board paneling with plain pine baseboard, wood floors, interior. Central stone fireplace and chimney. Cellutex ceiling material interspaced by boxed exposed beams.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Residence #1016: L-shaped, 1½ story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed rubble stone veneer, high gable roof with projecting offset gable on north (main facade), main entry recessed, offset on projecting gable, porch roof supported by two squared timber posts with short flush curved brackets, open flagged-surface platform accessed by five coursed-stone straight side steps. Random rubble exterior end chimney offset on west gable end, large squared rubble extending to roof-line, ashlar-like masonry adjoining large squared rubble above roof-line, concrete interior chimney above offset gable on north slope of roof. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched on all gable ends. Six-over-six double-hung sash windows, singly and in combinations with Mullions. No decoration. Textured metal roof material.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Residence Garage: Rectangular, wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed rubble stone veneer, wood-shingled high gable roof. Horizontal clapboard exterior (1x12) to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched, on gable ends. Two leaf hinged doors on north gable end. Single large pine tree cutout centered, below apex of roof on north gable end. No obvious exterior alteration.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Crew House #2202: Rectangular, 1½ story wood frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed rubble stone veneer, high gable roof with center porch gable projecting on east (main) facade, supported by heavy squared timber posts intrary arrangement having short flush curved brackets, straight side concrete steps access open concrete platform. Rear entry offset on north gable end. Slide-opening vertical board door offset on east facade. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched, on gable ends and gable porch pediment, battens every other board on north and south gable ends. Six-over-six double-hung sash windows, single and
in combinations with mullions. Single large well-shaped pine tree centered below apex of roof, north and south gable ends, and below apex of porch gable. Textured metal roof material.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Gas and Lube Shed #2502: Rectangular, 1 story wood-frame, poured concrete foundation, coursed rubble-stone veneer, wood shingled high gable roof, center of north slope extends to form shed-roofed porch, supported by two pairs of heavy squared timber posts with short curving brackets, center and side, stone veneered open loading dock extends from west gable end. Main entry recessed, center, under porch roof, slide-opeing door accesses anterior from loading dock. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eave line, vertical boards, corner notched on gable ends with mullions. No decoration. No obvious structural alteration to exterior.

Lake of the Woods Work Center, Storage Shed #1600: Rectangular, poured concrete foundation, wood shingled high gable roof. Horizontal clapboard (1x12) exterior to eaveline, vertical boards, corner notched on gable ends. Single vertical board door, louvered ventilator lower panel, center, north gable end. Six horizontal light single-sash windows. No decoration. No obvious alteration.

Lake of the Woods Ranger Station, Barn #2404: Rectangular; 1 1/2 story; stone/concrete pier foundation, peeled log construction; corners round-notched, ends straight-sawn; wood-shingled high bell-cast gambrel roof, eaves project, rafters exposed, verges project, fascia alone; fenestration regular, windows on ground floor are single sash of four and six lights; single-leaf four panel door with six-light window panel offset to right on west gable and single leaf vertical board horizontal-slide opening stock door, east gable end, two-leaf vertical board hay door, center, loft level, west gable end. No apparent structural additions or alterations or obvious material changes. No decoration.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Lake of the Woods Ranger Station (now Work Center) typifies the construction projects undertaken by the Civilian Conservation Corps and signifies the aid to the local community provided by the emergency work-relief program through employment of youth and experienced craftsmen, purchase of building materials and camp supplies, and personal expenditures of enrollees. The property represents the Forest Service's presence in the locality, as the headquarters for field operation, and denotes, via the physical facilities required to carry out the agency's expanding responsibilities, the critical transition in the Service's development from custodial superintendence to extensive resource
management. The Lake of the Woods Ranger Station exemplifies the rustic architectural idiom developed by the Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region, to impart Forest Service identity and to represent its purposes and ideals; and signifies the agency's particular interpretation of a singular expression of early twentieth century American architectural thought. Possessing very high qualities of design and execution, the Work Center is an excellent example of an architectural locution invested with special aesthetic and associative values by the agency that created it.

The Lake of the Woods Ranger Station manifests the principles of comprehensive site planning initiated by the Forest Service during the Depression, through spatial arrangement, functional organization, architectural unity from complimentary building materials and forms, and landscaping to integrate the building site and complex; and signifies an important advance in administrative site development.

GEOGRAPHIC DATA:

Acreage: Approximately 9½ acres

UTM Reference:

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Verbal Boundary Description:

Lake of the Wood Ranger Station (Work Center)

A tract of land within the Winema National Forest, Klamath County, State of Oregon, lying on the south side of Lake of the Woods and east of U.S. Highway 140, in a portion of the SW¼ SW¼ of Section 34, Township 36 South, Range 5 East; a portion of the NW¼ NW¼ of Section 3, Township 37 South, Range 5 East; and a portion of the NE¼ NE¼ of Section 4, Township 37 South, Range 5 East, Willameet Meridian; and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point which is the section corner of Sections 33 and 34, T. 36 S., R. 5 E., and Sections 3 and 4, T. 37 S., R. 5 E., said point falls in the paved portion of the Lake of the Wood Highway (U.S. Highway #140) and is referenced by two concrete monuments set flush in the ground at 45.50 feet and at 50.42 feet in a northwest direction, set by the Bureau of Public Roads on November 3, 1964; thence north 76°12' east a distance
of 187.5 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence south 81°42' east a distance of 103.2 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence south 77°32' east a distance of 375.4 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence south 54°03' east a distance of 254.6 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence south 35°36' west a distance of 425.4 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence south 65°04' west a distance of 270.0 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence north 88°30' west a distance of 277.2 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence north 37°12' west a distance of 221.4 feet to an iron pin 5/8 inches in diameter; thence north 4°44' east a distance of 486.3 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described land contains 9.64 acres more or less.