

IDITAROD TRAIL INVENTORY

SITE Ruby Creek Rc ouse #2 AHRS NO: IDT-022 NHT NO: 260I-2

OTHER SITE NAMES: _____ TRAIL SECTION:
Seward-Rainy Pass
Rainy Pass-Kaltag X
Kaltag-Nome

LAND STATUS: 2/13/81 pm ADP 3/19/81
PL0-5173, 5301 D2

(MTP 9-8-76)
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Approximate	Actual	X
Quad.	<u>Iditarod B4</u>	
Township	<u>27 N.</u>	
Range	<u>45 W.</u>	
Section	<u>16</u>	
Subsection	<u>SW 1/4, SW 3/4, NW 1/4</u>	
Latitude:	<u>62 25' 40" 43</u>	
Longitude:	<u>157 38' 00" 48</u>	

OK SMP 1981

UTM REFERENCE:
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Zone	Easting	Northing
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LOCATION AND USE:
Eroding into river. Below mouth of Ruby Creek on Bonanza Creek.

INSPECTED BY: Lynch **DATE:** 1978 Aerial X Onsite
Peterson 1980

STRUCTURAL TYPE: Shelter Structure X River Community
Native Settlement Mining Community Other

WALLS:	IN	OUT	FLOOR	ROOF	CORNER NOTCH
Log-Rough		<u>X</u>	Dirt	Sod	Unknown <u>X</u>
Log-Hewn			Wood	Metal	
Frame			Other	Wd. Plank	
Drop Siding			Unknown <u>X</u>	Wd. Shingle	
Wall Covering				Tar Paper	
Unknown	<u>X</u>			Unknown <u>X</u>	

TREATMENT RECOMMENDED: _____ **ORDER OF SIGNIFICANCE:** _____

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| _____ Site Protection | _____ National |
| _____ Preservation/Stabilization | _____ Regional |
| _____ Restoration | <u>X</u> Local |
| _____ Reconstruction | |
| _____ Adaptive Reuse | |

Estimated Treatment Costs _____
 Estimated Planning/Research Costs _____
 Estimated Construction Costs _____

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MANAGEMENT RATING CRITERIA

ACCESS ----- 40 POINTS

- 5 Difficult
(Dog Sled, Snow Mach., Heli.)
- 20 Medium
(1 Day Hike, Boat, Fixed-Wing)
- 40 High
(Auto/Road, Short Hike)

CONDITION ----- 40 POINTS

- Not Located
- 1 No Remains
- 3 Ruin
- 8 Poor (Roof In)
- 15 Medium (Roof Intact)
- 25 Good (Maintained)
- 40 Restored

PRESENT VISITOR USE

- Frequent
- Infrequent
- None

POTENTIAL VISITOR USE--20 POINTS

- 20 High
- 10 Medium
- 5 Low

Total Points 13

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Ruby Creek Roadhouse #2 is the second site of three Ruby Creek roadhouse sites along this stretch of trail. The roadhouse was relocated in approximately 1912 in an attempt to be at a more profitable location at a day's run out of Discovery/Flat. It operated at #2 until approximately 1920 when it was once again relocated to site #3.

Structural remains of two buildings are present at the site. (The structures were reported to have been burnt in the 1950s.)

NOTE: Mileages to Flat, Iditarod, Ophir were branded into sill log below threshold (pers. comm. Alvin Agloff).

REFERENCE:

Lynch, Alice J., 1979. A Preliminary Inventory of Cultural Resources of the Iditarod Trail Between Rainy Pass and Unalakleet. Bureau of Land Management. Oral Communication: Alvin Agloff, 1980. 50-year resident of Prince Creek area. A.E.C. McPHERSON SURVEY - DEC 1914 -> LOCATES A "RUBY CR R.H." AT THIS SITE.

SITE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Include in archeological testing program along the trail.