

SITE Discovery AHRS NO: IDT-004 LMHT NO: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SITE NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAIL SECTION:

Seward-Rainy Pass \_\_\_\_\_  
Rainy Pass-Kaltag x  
Kaltag-Nome \_\_\_\_\_

LAND STATUS: \_\_\_\_\_

*NG Sel Aplm 2/13/81 pm*  
*MS 2379 affects entire TP*

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Approximate x Actual \_\_\_\_\_  
Quad. Iditarod R4  
Township 27 N.  
Range 47 W.  
Section 11  
Subsection \_\_\_\_\_

Latitude: 62° 27' 10" N  
Longitude: 157° 56' 00" W

UTM REFERENCE:

A \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION AND USE:

Two miles east of Flat.

INSPECTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Aerial \_\_\_\_\_ Onsite \_\_\_\_\_

STRUCTURAL TYPE:

Shelter Structure \_\_\_\_\_ River Community \_\_\_\_\_  
Native Settlement \_\_\_\_\_ Mining Community \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Discovery Site \_\_\_\_\_

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

TREATMENT RECOMMENDED:

ORDER OF SIGNIFICANCE:

x Site Protection  
x Preservation/Stabilization  
\_\_\_\_ Restoration  
\_\_\_\_ Reconstruction  
\_\_\_\_ Adaptive Reuse

x National  
\_\_\_\_ Regional  
\_\_\_\_ Local

Estimated Treatment Costs \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated Planning/Research Costs \_\_\_\_\_

IDITAROD TRAIL INVENTORY

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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 40

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The mining camp, near the original Discovery claims of Dikeman and Beaton, was established following the December 1908 discovery on Otter Creek. ~~It served as a staging area and minor supply point for the immediate areas and had a sizable population for a few short years.~~ IT SERVED AS SMALL TOWN AT THE HEAD OF OTTER CREEK.

Tony Gulartie talks of social dances between Iditarod, Flat, and Discovery.

The primary structures burnt down in the 1920s but the Quartz Mine bunkhouse and house still remain.

IDITAROD PIONEER, 1910, 1911

A.E.C. MCPHERSON SURVEY, DEC 1914 → LOCATED DISCOVERY w/ ± 17 STRUCTURES

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 Communications: Tony Gulartie, 1980 - resident of Iditarod, 1915; John Miscovich, 1980 - owner of Otter Creek mines; John and Richard Fullerton's,

SITE RECOMMENDATIONS: 1980 - Willow Creek, July 1980.

1. Further inventory work is needed at the site to identify remaining structure and Discovery.
2. Include as part of any NAER report/record those structures remaining onsite.
3. Attempt to locate Discovery spot in support of a commemorative gesture (i.e., a monument, mapping, etc.)
4. Consider as a National Register nomination (part of Historic Landmark).