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SIT Smiths Halfway House AHRS NO: 10T-010 INHT NO: 260C

OTHER SITE NAMES:

Murray Roadhouse
SMITHS R.H.
MURRAY-LEGGINS R.H.

TRAIL SECTION:

Seward-Rainy Pass
Rainy Pass-Kaltag X
Kaltag-Nome

LAND STATUS: 2/13/81 pm ADP 3/9/81

State Patented (#50-76-0076) ✓

(MTP 8-30-76)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Approximate X Actual
Quad. Iditarod D-2
Township 31 N.
Range 39 W.
Section 17
Subsection SE

Latitude: 62° 46' 28"
Longitude: 156° 34' 00"
36' 20"

UTM REFERENCE:

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Zone Easting Northing

LOCATION AND USE:

Abandoned.

INSPECTED BY: Peterson DATE: 1980 Aerial X Onsite

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

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

TREATMENT RECOMMENDED: ORDER OF SIGNIFICANCE:

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

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 10

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Goodwin mentions a halfway house in his 1910-11 survey. He locates it 11.95 miles from Big Creek Roadhouse and 5.77 miles from Lincoln Creek Roadhouse.

Aerial reconnaissance didn't reveal a structure in the area.

REFERENCE:

Goodwin, W. L., n.d. Trail Making in Alaska.
A.E.C. McPHERSON SURVEY, DEC 1914 → ID'S "SMITH'S R.H." Map # 39
RUBY RECORDED CITIZEN, 1914 → ID'S AS SMITH'S HALFWAY & MURRAY-LEGGINS OWNERS.

SITE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Verify location and significance through historic and oral research.