

SITE Rainy Pass Shelter Cabin AHRS NO: McC-087 INHT NO: 220D

OTHER SITE NAMES:

Rainy Pass Roadhouse
Pass Creek Roadhouse
Pass CK Cabin

TRAIL SECTION:

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

LAND STATUS: ADP 3/19/81 per
Reg Sel

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Approximate X Actual _____
Quad. McGrath A1
Township 24 N.
Range 21 W.
Section 11
Subsection NW NW SE

*62° 11' 20" S 21 W / 21 W
153° 4' 45" W
See 11
SE NW NW*

Latitude: 62 11' 40"
Longitude: 153 01' 00" *> 21 W / 20 W / 4 NESW*

UTM REFERENCE:

A _____
Zone _____ Easting _____ Northing _____

LOCATION AND USE:

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	_____	_____	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>	<u>X</u>		Unknown	<u>X</u>

TREATMENT RECOMMENDED:

ORDER OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- _____ Site Protection
- _____ Preservation/Stabilization
- _____ Restoration
- _____ Reconstruction
- _____ Adaptive Reuse
- _____ National
- _____ Regional
- X 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 X Medium
(1 Day Hike, Boat, Fixed-Wing)
40 High
(Auto/Road, Short Hike)

CONDITION ----- 40 POINTS

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

PRESENT VISITOR USE

- Frequent
X Infrequent
 None

POTENTIAL VISITOR USE--20 POINTS

- 20 X High
10 Medium
5 Low

Total Points 41

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Structure served as an emergency shelter for travelers over Rainy Pass for years preceding, during, and after the Iditarod Rush (1908 - 1930s). Travelers (from the east) would in the 1920s stop at the cabin and telephone to Dalzell Cabin to verify the "Pass" condition before traveling on.

REF:

Goodwin notes the relief cabin in his 1908 notes.
Twenty Years as a Soldier of Fortune." Floyd R. Marsh, 1976.
Kroll's map - 1920.
Alaska-Yukon Magazine. July 1911 - Discusses Goodwin's 1910-11 trail survey.

REFERENCE:

Lynch, Alice J., 1979. A Preliminary Inventory of Cultural Resources of the Iditarod Trail Between Rainy Pass and Unalakleet. Bureau of Management.
Marsh, Floyd R., 20 Years a Soldier of Fortune, 1976.

SITE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Possible reconstruction of a relief cabin in support of recreational and survival use.
2. Locate.