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Lewis and Clark State Park

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MISSOURI OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION / INVENTORY SURVEY FORM

1. NAME

HISTORIC Sugar Lake State Park, Open Shelter
 AND/OR COMMON Lewis and Clark State Park, Open Shelter

2. LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER _____
 CITY, TOWN _____ VICINITY OF _____
 STATE Missouri CODE 29 COUNTY Buchanan CODE 021

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME State of Missouri, Department of Natural Resources
 STREET & NUMBER P.O. Box 176
 CITY, TOWN Jefferson City VICINITY OF _____ STATE Missouri

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Department of Natural Resources
 P.O. Box 176
 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE _____ DETERMINED ELEGIBLE? YES NO FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL
 Missouri State Historical Survey, 1982-1984

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	date Aug. 1984
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The open shelter at Lewis and Clark State Park is a stone picnic shelter of coursed rubble construction. Built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1934, the shelter has a massive stone fireplace in the enclosed south end and an open picnic area extending approximately half the length of the building. The foundation is poured concrete; the floor plan is rectangular. Half-walls and square pillars of rough-cut native stone support the hipped roof in the open picnic area. Wooden struts add decorative value. Alterations to the building consist of the red asphalt shingle roof covering and a dropped plasterboard ceiling. The building retains substantial integrity and continues to serve the needs of picnickers in a shaded area at the eastern edge of Sugar Lake.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE - CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology - prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology - historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social /
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900 -	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) recreation

SPECIFIC DATES 1934 **BUILDER/ARCHITECT** CCC/NPS

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (IN ONE PARAGRAPH)

The open shelter at Lewis and Clark State Park is significant under Criteria A and C, in that it represents an early construction project of the Civilian Conservation Corps and an excellent example of the rustic architecture promoted by the National Park Service during the 1930's. Lewis and Clark State Park, originally called Sugar Lake State Park, was presented to the state in 1934 by a group of Buchanan County sportsmen. The park, with its lake and fish hatchery, provides fishing, camping, picnicking, and other recreational facilities for residents of the urbanized area between Kansas City and St. Joseph, Missouri. CCC involvement in the small (84-acre) park was brief, its principal product being the fine stone picnic shelter in the rustic tradition.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Missouri State Planning Board. A State Plan for Missouri: Manual of Missouri State Parks Attendance and Use Data, 1938, pp. 108-109.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF PROPERTY **QUADRANGLE NAME** Atchison-East, Kansas-Mo. **SCALE** 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES *Less than one acre

A	<input type="text" value="15"/>	<input type="text" value="323000"/>	<input type="text" value="4378420"/>	B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

The nominated property is bounded by a rectangle oriented on the shelter building whose center point is the above referenced UTM coordinate. The west line runs parallel to and 30' from the west wall of the building; the south line runs parallel to and 30' from the

11. FORM PREPARED BY

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south wall of the building; the east line runs parallel to and 75' from the east wall of the building; and the north line runs parallel to and 10' from the north wall of the building. The resulting rectangle whose dimensions are 90' north-south by 130' east-west coincides roughly with a cleared picnic area surrounded on three sides by a park road and on the fourth (south) side by a timber grove and forms a compact and convenient boundary for the property.

EMERGENCY CONSERVATION WORK ARCHITECTURE
IN MISSOURI STATE PARKS, (1933-1942) T.R.

Lewis and Clark State Park
Buchanan County, Missouri

LEWIS AND CLARK SHELTER

U.S.G.S. 7.5' Scale 1:24,000
ATCHISON EAST, KANS.-MO. Quadrangle (1960
Photorevised 1978)

UTM Reference Point: 15/323000/4378420





