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NAT. REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Wall Doxey State Park
other names/site number: Spring Lake State Park, Wall Doxey State Park Historic District

2. Location

street & number: Route 7 not for publication N/A
city or town: Holly Springs vicinity X
state: Mississippi code MS county Marshall code 093 zip code 39205-0451

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination ____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets ____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally X statewide X locally. (___See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Kenneth H. P. Pool Oct. 6, 1997
Signature of certifying official Date

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:
X entered in the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
____ determined eligible for the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
____ determined not eligible for the National Register
____ removed from the National Register
____ other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

[signature] 12/11/97

5. Classification

Ownership of Property:
PUBLIC/state

Number of Resources within Property: 15
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Category of Property:
district

Contributing	Noncontributing	
8	5	buildings
1	1	sites
		structures
		objects
9	6	Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

State Parks in Mississippi built By the CCC between 1934-1942
Historic Park Landscapes in National and State Parks

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions: Recreation and Culture- Outdoor Recreation
Landscape- Park

Current Functions: Recreation and Culture- Outdoor Recreation
Landscape- Park

7. Description

Architectural Classification(s): OTHER/ Rustic Style

Materials:

foundation:	concrete, concrete block, brick, sandstone
roof:	asphalt shingles
walls:	wood, bevel siding, plywood siding, concrete block, sandstone
other	glass, steel, aluminum

Narrative Description: See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

X **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

X **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations:
Property is:

____ **A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

____ **B** removed from its original location.

____ **C** a birthplace or a grave.

____ **D** a cemetery.

____ **E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

____ **F** a commemorative property.

____ **G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
Architecture
Entertainment and Recreation
Landscape Architecture
Social History

Period of Significance
1935-1938

Significant Dates
1935, 1938

Significant Person(s)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation(s)
N/A

Architect/Builder
Civilian Conservation Corps
National Youth Administration

Narrative Statement of Significance: See continuation sheets.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS)
___preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
___ previously listed in the National Register
___ previously determined eligible by the National Register
___ designated a National Historic Landmark
___ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey
_____
___ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record
_____

Primary Location of Additional Data
_X__ State Historic Preservation Office
___ Other State agency
___ Federal agency
___ Local government
___ University
___ Other
Name of repository:
Mississippi Department of Archives and History

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: approximately twenty acres

UTM References:
see USGS map and verbal boundary description

___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title: Harrison Lea Stamm; Architectural Historian
organization: Mississippi Department of Archives and History date: July 10, 1997
street & number: PO BOX 571 telephone: (601) 359-6940
city or town: Jackson state: MS zip code: 39211

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:
Continuation Sheets
Maps
A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.
Photographs
Representative black and white photographs of the property.
Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner(s)

name: Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and Parks
street & number: P.O. Box 451 telephone:
city or town: Jackson state: MS zip code: 39205-0451

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Narrative Description

Wall Doxey State Park Historic District, formerly called Spring Lake State Park, is located on Route 5 south of Holly Springs, Mississippi. This park is one of the most well preserved state parks in Mississippi developed by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). In June 1935, the CCC began construction of its eighth state park in Mississippi and continued working on the site until 1938 when the park was opened to the public. Wall Doxey State Park retains many of its CCC features including four cabins, an assistant park manager's residence, lodge, bath house, picnic pavilion, pump house, and several landscape features such as culverts, fire pits, pylons, and entrance fence. These buildings and objects are designed in the popular Rustic style of architecture commonly found in state park construction. The Rustic style of architecture emphasized local materials that would allow buildings and structures to blend with their natural surroundings. Standardized plans were developed by the National Park Service for the layout and construction of park facilities throughout the United States.

The Wall Doxey State Park encompasses approximately 750 acres of land and 60 acres of water. The proposed district includes only a small portion of the park's acreage containing most of the CCC related features, and is characterized by its gently rolling hills and curvilinear paved drives that emphasize the landscape's scenic beauty. In order to further blend the man-made landscape with the natural one, all buildings and structures from the CCC era were designed in the Rustic style of architecture using timber planking and rough-faced sandstone. There are eight historic buildings within the Wall Doxey State Park Historic District that contribute to its architectural and historical character. All contributing elements are identified with the notation "C." Components of the designed landscape are also included as contributing elements and are appropriately noted in the inventory. The majority of buildings have maintained their basic forms, sense of place and materials despite modernization to the bathrooms, additions to the lodge, and new construction within the district boundaries. Alterations have caused two of the CCC cabins to lose their historic integrity, also three buildings within the district date from the 1970s, and a small portion of the landscape has been altered for use as a picnic area thus making a total of six non-contributing resources that are appropriately noted with "NC." However, these six historic resources do not distract from the district's overall character.

01 C Building #1
Assistant Park Manager's Residence

This is a one-story, gable-front-and-wing, four-bay, rough-faced sandstone building topped with a tar shingled roof. The building is characterized by two bays of six-over-six double-hung sash windows set into wooden frames, followed by a nine-light-and-panel door with modern screen door. These bays are on the wing of the house that is recessed and covered with a projecting roof thus making an entrance porch. The gable-front portion of the building has a grouping of three six-over-six double-hung sash windows that are set into a slightly projecting bay. Off the wing portion of the house is a slightly recessed single bay building that does not match the main house's roof line. (PHOTO #1)

02 NC Comfort Station

This is a circa 1970, one-story, side-gabled, concrete-block building topped with asphalt shingles. The building has no ornamentation and is marked with a slightly recessed opening to the separate bathrooms. (PHOTO #2)

03 C Cabin #2
This is a side-gabled, three-bay, one-story building constructed with bevel siding and topped with an asphalt shingle roof. One end of the building is marked with an exterior sandstone chimney. The entrance is characterized by a panel-door with screen that is flanked by an air-conditioning vent and a four-over-four double-hung sash window set into a wooden frame. (PHOTO #3)

04 C Cabin #3
This is a side-gabled, two-bay, one-story building with a centrally placed chimney and attached, slightly recessed screened porch. The main building is marked with two modern, paired sixteen-light fixed-sash windows set into the historic frames. The attached screened porch contains the historic screen-door entrance. (PHOTO #4, #5)

05 C Cabin #4
This is a side-gabled, two-bay, one-story building with an exterior sandstone chimney located on one end. The chimney contains a plaque indicating that this structure was built by the National Youth Administration. This building is constructed with bevel siding and rests on sandstone piers with modern concrete-block in-filled. Four wooden steps led to the historic entrance that is marked by a screened door topped with a shed roof. A set of paired, four-over-four double-hung sash window comprises the other bay. (PHOTO #6)

06 NC Cabin #5A and #5B
This is a one-story, side-gabled, duplex cabin built circa 1970. The building is constructed with vertical plywood planks and has three bays marking the facade. These include a centrally located utility door that is flanked by one-over-one double-hung sash windows. The entrances to the separate duplex's are on the side elevations. (PHOTO #7)

07 NC Cabin #6
This is a side-gabled, two-bay, one-story CCC building that has been siding with vertical plywood in circa 1970. Although the cabin retains its historic massing and exposed rough-faced sandstone chimney it does not possess enough historic integrity since the new plywood siding and replacement windows obscure the majority of historic details. The entrance is marked with its historic panel-and-screened door topped with a pedimented roof. The facade also has paired, modern one-over-one double-hung sash windows set into its historic frames. (PHOTO #8, #9)

08 NC Cabin #7
This is a two-bay, one-story, side-gabled CCC building that has been sided with vertical plywood in circa 1970. Similar to Cabin #6, this building also does not retain enough of its historic integrity therefore making it a non-contributing element within the district. The building has its historic massing and exposed limestone chimney; however, one-over-one double-hung sash windows have replaced the historic ones. The front entrance is marked with its historic panel-and-screen door that is topped with a pedimented shed roof. (PHOTO #10)

09 NC Cabin #8A and #8B
This is a side-gabled, one-story, duplex cabin built circa 1970 and uses the same plan as Cabin #5A and #5B. The building is constructed with vertical plywood planks and has three bays marking the facade. The bays are composed of a centrally located utility door flanked by two smaller windows. The entrances to each duplex are on the side elevations. (PHOTO #11)

10 C Building #10
Lodge

This is an asymmetrical, one-story building constructed with rough-faced sandstone and topped with an hipped asphalt shingle roof. The building is one-and-one-half stories and has an oversized exposed chimney on the facade. The east facade is dominated by its entrance that lies on a cant wall and is marked by three multi-light-and-panel doors set into timber frames and flanked with half-sash, multi-light fixed windows (PHOTO # 12). The north elevation features three bays of six-over-six double-hung sash windows set into wooden frames with restrained concrete sills and lintels (PHOTO #13). It is evident from the north elevation that although additions have occurred to the building; they do not distract from its historic composition (PHOTO #14). The remaining portion of the north elevation demonstrates the elegant design of the building with its bay windows, and patio (PHOTO #15). The south elevation is marked with a portico that shelters paired, multi-light French doors with five-light transom set into wooden frames. This doorway is flanked by paired four-over-four double-hung sash windows with concrete sills and lintels (PHOTO #16). The interior of the lodge retains its historic integrity as evident in the Great Room (PHOTO #17). This room maintains its hardwood floors, exposed timber beams, and sandstone walls. The most ornate element of the lodge is its large fireplace (PHOTO #18).

11 C Building #12
Bath House and Concession Building

This is a side-gabled, one-story sandstone building with an exposed sandstone chimney on its northernmost end. The building has a centrally located breezeway that contains its historic concession stand. The building is marked with a series of upper-story ventilation windows in order to increase air circulation to the dressing/bath rooms. (PHOTO #19, #20)

12 C Building #16
Picnic Hill Pavilion

This is an asymmetrical, one-story sandstone building that is dominated by its pierced chimney, attached pavilion and bathrooms. The building retains its historic massing and composition even though the interiors of the bathrooms have been modernized. (PHOTO #21)

13 C Building #18
Pump House

This is an embanked, sandstone, gable-front building that is topped with a pedimented roof and has a vertical plank door. (PHOTO #22)

14 NC Picnic Areas

This is a portion of the landscape that includes picnic benches, grill stands, and small canopied picnic shelters consisting of picnic tables resting on concrete slabs and covered with a side-gabled roofs.

15 C Landscape Features

These include a variety of structures all constructed by the CCC using sandstone and wood timbers. These features can be found in many areas within the district and include fire pits (PHOTO #23), culverts (PHOTO #24), staircases and swimming decks (PHOTO #25). One of the most prominent landscape feature is a rough-faced sandstone and wooden fence constructed with equally spaced pylons and wooden railings (PHOTO #26, #27). Also found but not illustrated are pylons, walkways, curvilinear nature trails and driveways.

Statement of Significance

The proposed Wall Doxey State Park Historic District has local and statewide significance under Criterion A in the areas of entertainment and recreation and social history, and under Criterion C in the areas of architecture and landscape architecture. The period of significance extends from 1935 to 1938. The historical development of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) is discussed in detail in the MPS "State Parks in Mississippi built by the CCC between 1934-1942." Wall Doxey State Park Historic District is an example of one of the ten parks built in Mississippi by the CCC and placed under the supervision of the Mississippi Forestry Commission. At least one cabin was constructed by the National Youth Administration (NYA) in 1938 as noted on the keystone. The NYA was an agency organized in 1935 under the Second New Deal legislation. Similar to the CCC in philosophy, the NYA provided work for high school and college age youths.

The CCC used standardized plans for park layout to created regional interpretations that would blend into the natural surroundings. Wall Doxey State Park Historic District was the eighth park in Mississippi created by the CCC. The CCC began working on the site in June 25, 1935, and opened the park to the public in 1938.[1] The park, originally named Spring Lake State Park, was renamed in 1956 after US Congressman Wall Doxey. Over the years, the park has retained its forty-five acres of heavily forested land and the CCC built environment that includes roads, walking trails, dams, cabins, and other necessary park facilities.

All buildings within the district are constructed in the Rustic style and blend nicely into their environment. Although many of the original screened porches have been enclosed, the buildings all retain their basic forms, interior and exterior materials, and sense of place.

[1] Holmes County State Park, Mississippi Landmarks File, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson.

Additional Registration Requirements

The registration requirements for listing of Wall Doxey State Park Historic District have been discussed in the cover document. However, because of their brevity, it has been determined that in order to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a part of the "State Parks in Mississippi built by the CCC between 1934-1942" multiple property submission, a state park historic district must meet these additional registration requirements.

1. It must be or have been a Mississippi State Park developed by the CCC between 1932 to 1942.

2. It must retain, within the proposed district boundaries, a high degree of historical integrity from the period of its construction. It must retain most of its historic buildings, and they must retain a high degree of integrity of design, location, craftsmanship, and materials. It must retain its major landscape features, including lakes, woodlands, CCC-built walks, steps, and other structures, as well as the basic arrangement of roads and trails.

3. Areas of these parks not historically associated with the CCC or developed after that period will be excluded whenever possible from the boundaries of the historic district.

Major Bibliographical References

Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson. Mississippi Landmark File. Marshall County, Wall Doxey State Park.

Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson. National Register File. State Parks in Mississippi built by the CCC between 1934-1942.

Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson. The National Forest of Mississippi: A Cultural Resources Survey, John Linn Hopkins, preservation consultant.

National Register of Historic Places, Washington DC. Historic Park Landscapes in National and State Parks, Linda Flint McClelland, historian.

Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description--The boundary of the nominated property is delineated by the polygon whose vertices are marked the following UTM reference points:

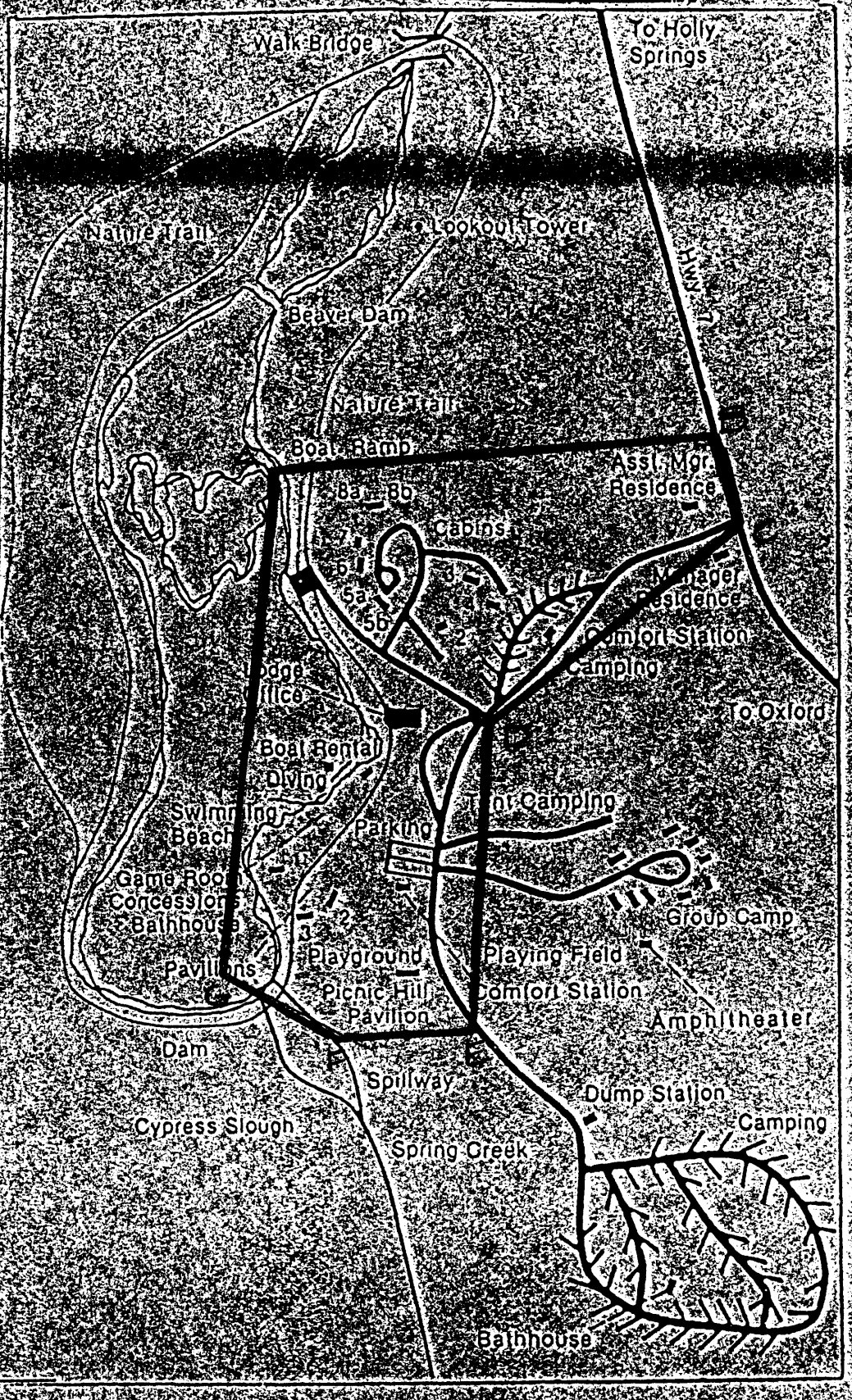
A	16/273960/3838490	D	16/274220/3838230	G	16/273890/3837940
B	16/274480/3838500	E	16/274160/3837840		
C	16/274500/3838400	F	16/274030/3837840		

Boundary Justification--The boundary includes the largest intact area of historical resources that were constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and the National Youth Administration (NYA).

1. Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
2. Marshall County, Mississippi
3. Harrison Lea Stamm
4. Spring 1997
5. Mississippi Department of Archives and History

Photo 1	Building #1 Assistant Park Manager Residence
Photo 2	circa 1970 Comfort Station
Photo 3	Cabin #2, facade
Photo 4	Cabin #3, facade
Photo 5	Cabin #3, rear elevation
Photo 6	Cabin #4, facade
Photo 7	Cabin #5A/5B, facade
Photo 8	Cabin #6, facade
Photo 9	Cabin #6, rear elevation
Photo 10	Cabin #7, facade
Photo 11	Cabin #8A/8B, facade
Photo 12	Lodge, view to northwest
Photo 13	Lodge, view to south
Photo 14	Lodge, view to east
Photo 15	Lodge, view to northwest
Photo 16	Lodge, view to north
Photo 17	Lodge, interior of Great Room
Photo 18	Lodge, interior fireplace
Photo 19	Building #12, Bath House and Concession Building
Photo 20	Building #12, Bath House and Concession Building
Photo 21	Building #16, Picnic Hill Pavilion
Photo 22	Building #18, Pump House
Photo 23	Landscape Features, Fire pits
Photo 24	Landscape Features, Culverts
Photo 25	Landscape Features, Staircase to lake
Photo 26	Landscape Features, Entrance gateway
Photo 27	Landscape Features, Entrance gateway

Welcome to: WALL DOXEY



Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
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Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
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CCC Asst. Park Manager's Residence
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
1980s Comfort Station
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin 2, facade
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
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Cabin 3, facade
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin #3, rear elevation
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin 4, facade
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Harrison Lea Stamm
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Cabin 5A/5B, facade
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin 6, facade
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin 6, rear elevation

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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1991
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Cabin 7, facade
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Cabin 8A/8B, facade
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Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, view to northwest
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC lodge, view to south
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, view to east
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, view to northwest (rear west elevation)
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Loa Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, view to north
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, interior of Great Room
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lee Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Lodge, interior fireplace
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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Building #12 Bath House and Concession Building
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
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MDAH
Building #12, Bath House + Concession Building
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Building #16. Picnic Pavilion
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
Building #18, Pump House
Photo # 22 & 27

Wall Doxey State Park Historic District

Marshall Co., MS

Harrison Lea Stamm

Spring 1997

MDAH

CCC Firepit (Landscape Feature)

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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC Culvert

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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
MDAH
CCC staircase, to lake (landscape feature)
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PARK CLOSED
10 P.M.-6 A.M.

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Harrison Lea Stamm
Spring 1997
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Entrance gateway
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Wall Doxey State Park Historic District
Marshall Co., MS
Harrison Lea Stamm
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Entrance fence
Photo #27 of 27