

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Mississippi
COUNTY:	Grenada
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ENTRY DATE	JUL 2 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:	Confederate Earthworks
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Near Grenada Reservoir			
CITY OR TOWN:		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:	
Grenada		Second	
STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Mississippi	38901	Grenada	043

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☒ Site ☐ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☐ Public ☐ Private ☒ Both	☐ Occupied ☒ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☐ Restricted ☒ Unrestricted ☐ No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
☐ Agricultural ☐ Commercial ☐ Educational ☐ Entertainment	☒ Government ☐ Industrial ☐ Military ☐ Museum	☒ Park ☐ Private Residence ☐ Religious ☐ Scientific	☐ Transportation ☐ Other (Specify) _____ ☐ Comments _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

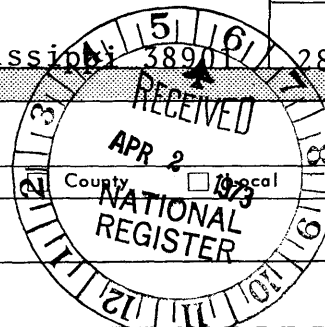
OWNER'S NAME:	Department of the Army
STREET AND NUMBER:	Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers
CITY OR TOWN:	Vicksburg
STATE:	Mississippi
CODE	39180

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:	Chancery Clerk's Office
STREET AND NUMBER:	Grenada County Courthouse
CITY OR TOWN:	Grenada
STATE:	Mississippi
CODE	38901

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:	
DATE OF SURVEY:	☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN:	
STATE:	
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed

(Check One)

☐ Altered ☒ Unaltered

(Check One)

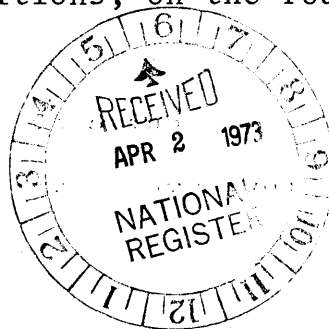
☐ Moved ☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The three redoubts near the Grenada Dam are a part of the chain of defenses along the south bank of the Yalobusha River to the northeast of Grenada, Mississippi. The construction of the redoubts was typical of the fortifications of the Civil War period. They are oval in shape and approximately seventy-five yards by thirty-five yards in dimension. They are situated on the crest of the hills and ridges with the center being dished with parapets around the perimeter to provide protection for the gunners. Immediately below the parapets and encircling the redoubt are trenches for supporting infantry. Below the trenches, the glasis was cleared of cover for a field of fire.

Today, the fortifications have an umbrella of pine trees and light underbrush. The trenches show little fill or signs of washing and are in an excellent state of preservation. The parapets of the three redoubts still retain the indentations for the muzzles of the guns.

The redoubts are within easy access from the roads of the Grenada Reservoir, and there is an historical marker, briefly describing the positions, on the road next to one of the redoubts.



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9. SIGNIFICANCE

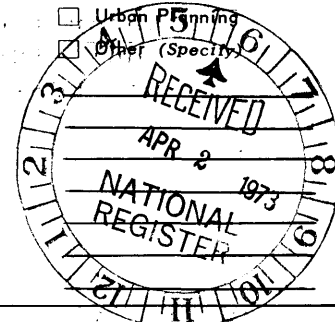
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ Pre-Columbian | ☐ 16th Century | ☐ 18th Century | ☐ 20th Century |
| ☐ 15th Century | ☐ 17th Century | ☒ 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1862-63

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| ☐ Aboriginal | ☐ Education | ☐ Political |
| ☐ Prehistoric | ☐ Engineering | ☐ Religion/Philosophy |
| ☐ Historic | ☐ Industry | ☐ Science |
| ☐ Agriculture | ☐ Invention | ☐ Sculpture |
| ☐ Architecture | ☐ Landscape | ☐ Social/Humanitarian |
| ☐ Art | ☐ Architecture | ☐ Theater |
| ☐ Commerce | ☐ Literature | ☐ Transportation |
| ☐ Communications | ☒ Military | |
| ☐ Conservation | ☐ Music | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Three Confederate redoubts along the south bank of the Yalobusha River, near the Grenada Reservoir, are tangible evidences of the defenses constructed by the Confederates for the protection of the river crossings and the Mississippi Central and Mississippi-Tennessee Railroads at Grenada. During the Civil War these fortifications were approximately four miles north of the city.

Grenada, located in the center of the northern half of the state, had escaped the ravages of war until late summer of 1863, when Major General Ulysses S. Grant's victory at Vicksburg allowed him to turn his attention to the conquest of the interior of the state. Grant ordered Colonel John K. Mizner, cavalry commander at La Grange, Tennessee, to send "not less than 1,000 men and 50 train engineers" south along the Mississippi Central Railroad toward Grenada for the purpose of capturing all railroad equipment and rolling stock encountered. In the event the rolling stock could not be successfully removed to Memphis along the Mississippi-Tennessee line, it was to be destroyed, especially the axles and wheels. The Federal forces left for Grenada on August 10, 1863.

At the same time, the Federal cavalry under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Jesse J. Phillips was moving south from La Grange, Colonel Edward F. Winslow was leaving his headquarters along the Big Black River near Vicksburg on August 12 to proceed north along the Mississippi Central, to capture the railroad stock south of Grenada and to link up with Phillips' cavalry at Grenada.

Brigadier General James R. Chalmers, commander of the Confederates in the area, ordered the railroad stock brought into Grenada from the nearby towns, and the railroad bridges across the Yalobusha to be burned. Chalmers' scouts reported the pincer movement of the Federal cavalry from the north and the south. With the threat of being surrounded and captured, the earthworks along the Yalobusha would be untenable against attacks from two directions.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies (Washington: 1880-1901), Series I, Vol. XXIV, Part II, p. 5.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	33°	48'	17"	89°	46'	46"			
NE	33°	47'	48"	89°	45'	40"			
SE	33°	47'	16"	89°	45'	59"			
SW	33°	47'	45"	89°	47'	05"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 12 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
William C. Wright, Historian

ORGANIZATION: Mississippi Department of Archives and History DATE: 3-27-73

STREET AND NUMBER:
Post Office Box 571

CITY OR TOWN: Jackson STATE: Mississippi CODE: 39205

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name

R. A. McLemore

Title Director, Miss. Dept. of Archives and History

Date March 27, 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date

7/2/73

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date

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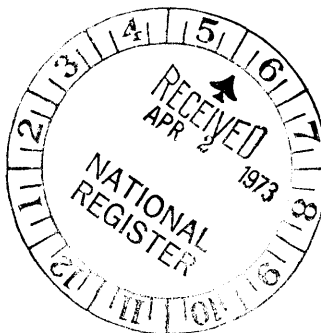
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Confederate opposition delayed the advance of both Phillips' and Winslow's cavalry in their march on Grenada. Phillips arrived in the area on the 15th of August while Winslow did not arrive until late on the 17th. Colonel Phillips reported that, when he came within about four miles north of Grenada, he saw a dense smoke that he afterward found to be the two railroad bridges across the Yalobusha that had been burned by the Confederates. Phillips also noted that the enemy was situated on the south side of the river in field positions with three pieces of artillery (two howitzers and one rifled gun). Phillips sent Lieutenant Colonel Martin R. M. Wallace about two miles down river to the lower ferry (where the Grenada Dam is today) to prevent the shifting of troops to the lower ferry. Wallace subsequently effected a crossing below the fortifications.

In order to avoid the capture of his troops, Colonel William F. Slemons, Confederate cavalry commander at Grenada, ordered their withdrawal, taking with them a wagon train of nearly one-hundred wagons. Colonel Phillips, not aware of the disposition of the troops moving north with Colonel Winslow and fearful of an attack from Brigadier General William H. Jackson's Confederate cavalry, known to be in the area, ordered the destruction of the railroad equipment. Fifty-one engines and nearly five-hundred cars along with a large quantity of ordnance and commissary were burned. For this action, Phillips was criticized by Winslow.

Although the earthworks were not used to their fullest potential because of the Federal pincer movement, they graphically represent the futile efforts of the Confederates to defend the crossings of the Yalobusha River.



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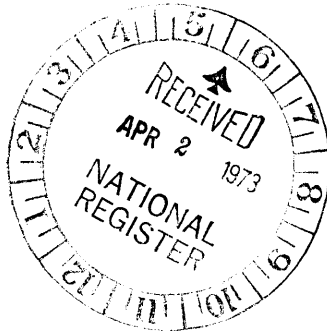
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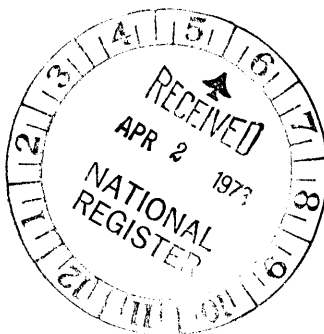
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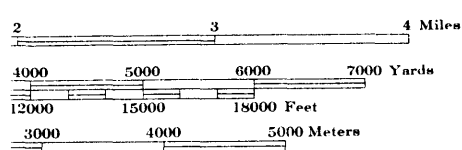
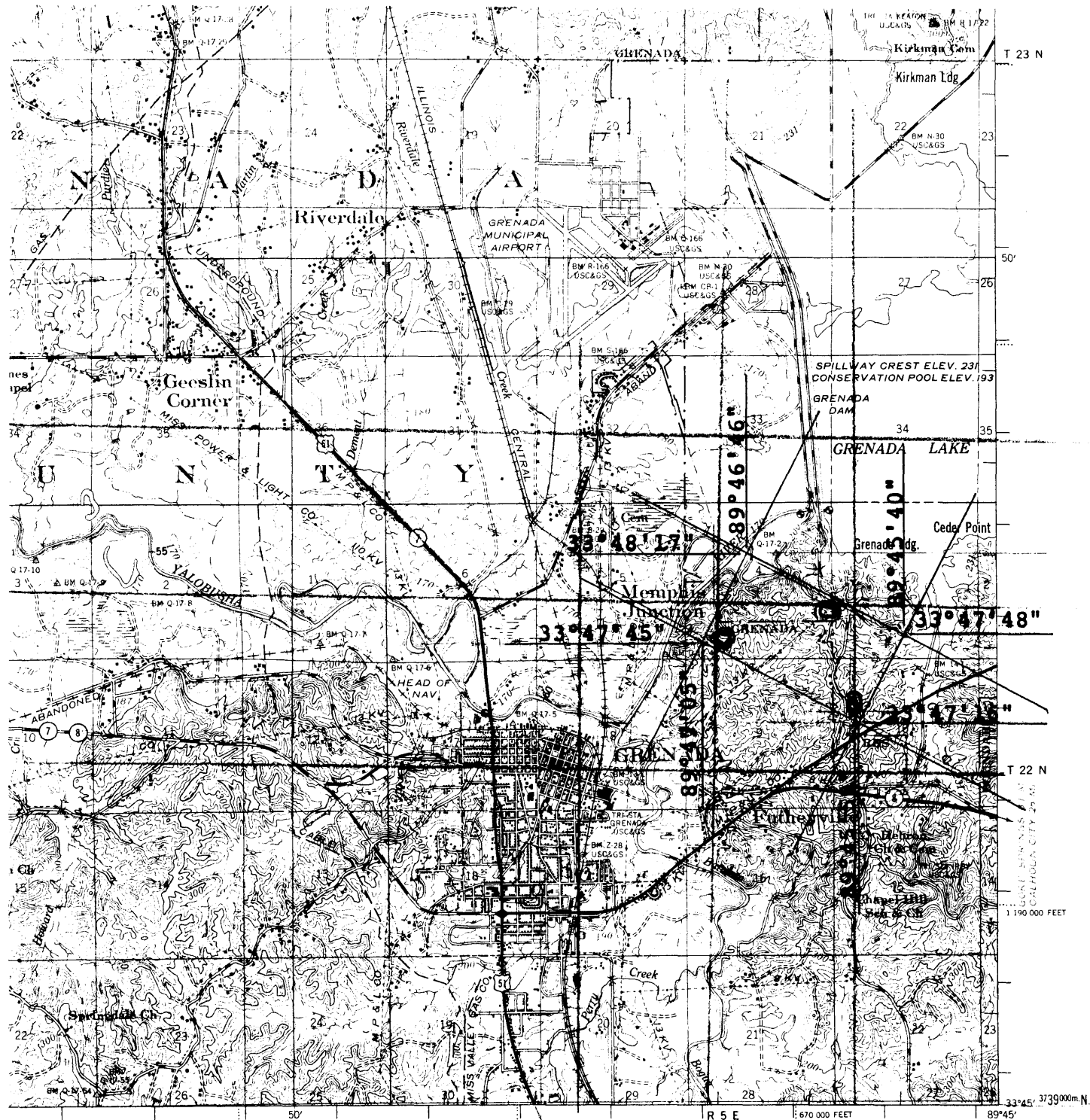
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Personal inspection of the site, February 27, 1973, by William
C. Wright, Historian, Mississippi Department of Archives
and History.





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LEGEND

Levee	Levee mile post	L M P
Retards and dikes	Levee station	LS
Revetment	Towhead	TH
River Gage		

Distances on Yalobusha River above mouth are shown at 5 mile intervals.

ROAD DATA 1954

In developed areas, only through roads are classified

Hard surface, heavy duty	4 LANES, 6 LANES
Hard surface, medium duty	4 LANES, 6 LANES
Loose surface, graded and drained, or narrow hard surface road	
Improved dirt road or street	
Unimproved dirt road or trail	

Route markers: Federal; State

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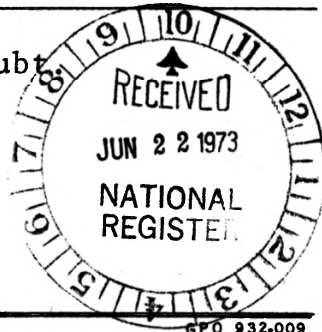
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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.		

Facing north from the interior of the north redoubt





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Facing west from the interior of the southwest redoubt





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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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STREET AND NUMBER		
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SOURCE	DATE	SCALE
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REQUIREMENTS: PROPERTY BOUNDARIES, WHERE REQUIRED, AND NORTH ARROW

Facing north from the interior of the southeast redoubt.

