

Heise Ranger Station Office(Bldg. 1205)
Targhee National Forest
Heise Vicinity
Jefferson County
Idaho

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STATE Idaho COUNTY Jefferson TOWN OR VICINITY Heise vicinity

HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE Heise Ranger Station Office

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SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Targhee N. F. Building No. 1205

COMPLETE ADDRESS SW 1/4, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, Sec. 31, T. 4N, R. 41E, Boise Meridian. Approximately 1/4 mile south of the Heise-Kelly Canyon Road, and adjacent on the north to Heise Hot Springs Resort.

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1938 (Targhee N. F. 7300 files)

ARCHITECT(S) USDA Forest Service, Intermountain Region

SIGNIFICANCE Building 1205 is a well-preserved example of an Intermountain Region Plan R4-51B office. During the 1930's, Plan R4-51 was the Ranger Station office plan most frequently constructed in southern Idaho. It is also likely to have been the most widely-used office plan in the rest of the Intermountain Region. The majority of Plan R4-51 offices in Idaho have since been removed or heavily remodelled. This structure is one of a handful retaining mostly original materials and construction details. In addition, the building is associated with Federal efforts to stimulate recovery from the Great Depression. It was constructed by a Civilian Conservation Corps crew. Names of crew members and the location of their camp are no longer known.

STYLE Colonial revival

MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION Wood frame, false bevel drop siding, wood shingle roof on a concrete foundation.

SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE Rectangular, 40' 4" E-W (including porch), by 16' 4" N-S.

EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Gable roof, porch columns and paint scheme create a facade reminiscent of New England colonial church architecture. Plan 51B differs from a straight Plan 51 by enclosing half the rear loading dock to create space for a bathroom and basement stairs or closet.

INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Front office, 192 ft.² net area; central living room, 256 ft.² net area; rear bathroom; 45 ft.² net area; and closet.

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MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES This building served as a winter office for the Hawley Gulch District Ranger from 1938 until the District headquarters was moved to Rexburg, Idaho in 1959. It has served as temporary crew quarters since that date.

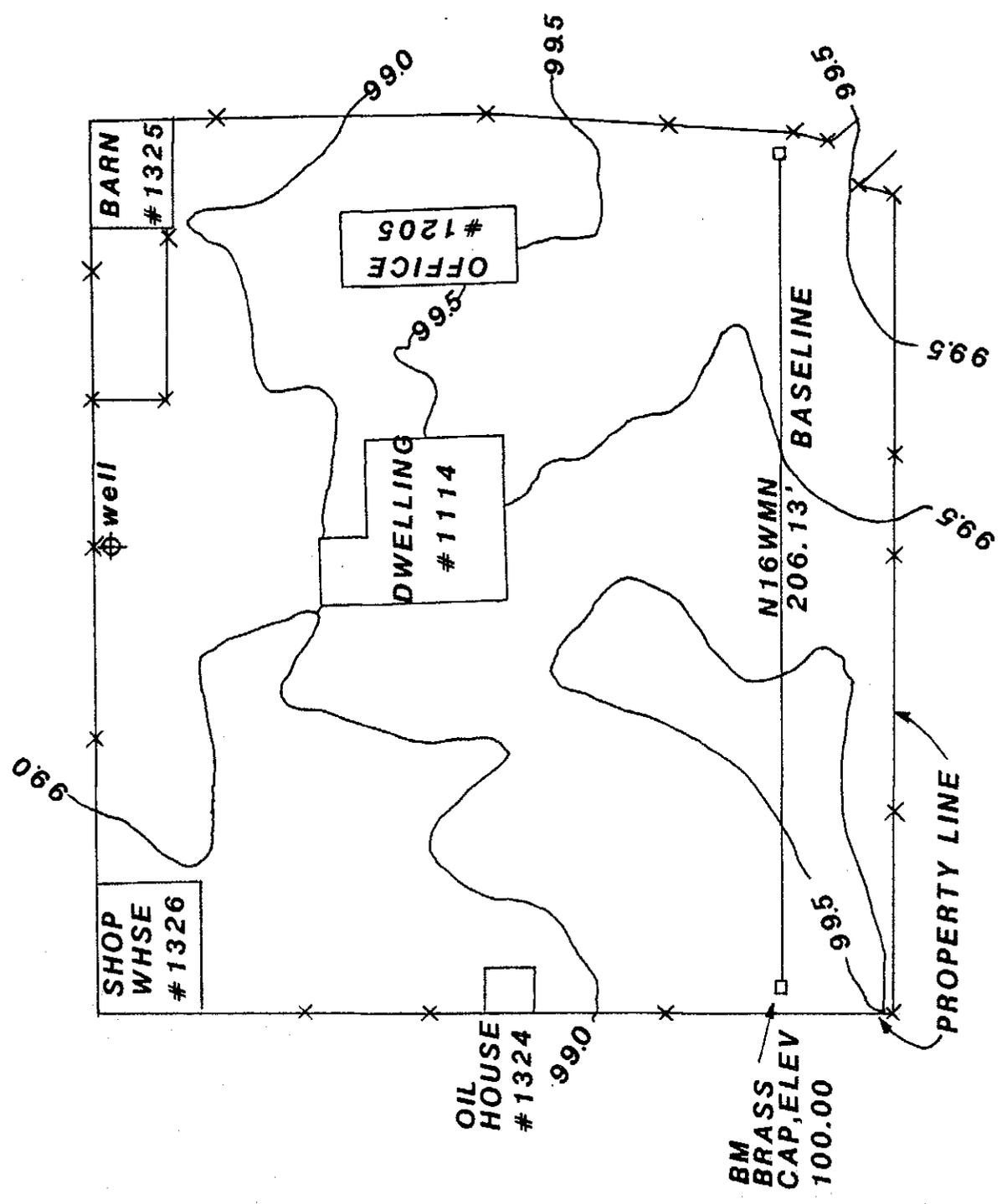
The building will be moved to the Snake River Ranger Station to replace Building No. 1145 at that locality. The Snake River Ranger Station is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, for its ability to represent typical Targhee Ranger Stations of the 1930's, and for its association with C.C.C. activities. Building 1145 is another Plan R4-51 office. It has been heavily modified and no longer possesses integrity of design, materials and workmanship. The purpose of the move is to replace Building 1145 with an office more nearly resembling that which existed at the time the Snake River Ranger Station achieved significance. Photographs and plans showing the current and future locations of Building 1205 are attached.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION Intermountain Region 7300 (Buildings) files, Targhee National Forest 2360 (Special Interest Area) and 7300 files, and Palisades Ranger District 7300 files.

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Sketch Plan, Snake River Ranger
Station (Building #1145 is
future location of Heise office)

