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Eisenhower Farm Two, Showbarn  
Off Business U.S. 15 (Emmitsburg Road)  
Eisenhower National Historic Site, Gettysburg National Military Park  
Gettysburg vicinity  
Adams County  
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-5373-C

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

REDUCED COPIES OF MEASURED DRAWINGS

Historic American Buildings Survey  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, DC 20013-7127

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA	COUNTY ADAMS	TOWN OR VICINITY GETTYSBURG VICINITY
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) EISENHOWER FARM TWO, SHOWBARN		HABS NO. PA-5373-C
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Southernmost of Farm Two buildings, on knoll, Emmitsburg Road (U.S. 15), Eisenhower National Historic Site, Gettysburg National Military Park UTM: 18/306040.4406630		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1957-58	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) constructed by Victor Re, under the direction of Robert Hartley of Pennsylvania State University	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The showbarn was the center of activities for the operations of th Eisenhower Farms; the show string was housed and fitted here for livestock shows and expositions and the farm records were kept in the office of the farm manager in the north end of the building.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Typical showbarn of the 1940s-1960s, as evidenced in the construction of the nurse cow wing used for the fattening of Angus cattle (a desirable trait of the era).		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Foundation: Cinderblock and mortar on concrete footer; floor: earth and poured concrete (ground level), wood (second level); exterior: wooden drop siding with painted corner boards; roof: aluminum panels on lath		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) See measured drawings.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Maintained as a farm exhibit by the National Park Service.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The showbarn was built on elevated ground to allow for good drainage but stone was added all around to further aid in keeping the barn and surrounding farmlots as dry as possible. Each lot has its own source of water from underground plumbing and electrically-heated water dispensers.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) "Classified Structure Field Inventory Report," Kathleen R. Georg, 12/3/83.		
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