
National Park Service
Cultural Landscapes Inventory
2001



Doughton Park Maintenance Area
Blue Ridge Parkway - Highlands District

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Inventory Summary

The Cultural Landscapes Inventory Overview:

CLI General Information:

Purpose and Goals of the CLI

The Cultural Landscapes Inventory (CLI), a comprehensive inventory of all cultural landscapes in the national park system, is one of the most ambitious initiatives of the National Park Service (NPS) Park Cultural Landscapes Program. The CLI is an evaluated inventory of all landscapes having historical significance that are listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, or are otherwise managed as cultural resources through a public planning process and in which the NPS has or plans to acquire any legal interest. The CLI identifies and documents each landscape's location, size, physical development, condition, landscape characteristics, character-defining features, as well as other valuable information useful to park management. Cultural landscapes become approved CLIs when concurrence with the findings is obtained from the park superintendent and all required data fields are entered into a national database. In addition, for landscapes that are not currently listed on the National Register and/or do not have adequate documentation, concurrence is required from the State Historic Preservation Officer or the Keeper of the National Register.

The CLI, like the List of Classified Structures, assists the NPS in its efforts to fulfill the identification and management requirements associated with Section 110(a) of the National Historic Preservation Act, National Park Service Management Policies (2006), and Director's Order #28: Cultural Resource Management. Since launching the CLI nationwide, the NPS, in response to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), is required to report information that respond to NPS strategic plan accomplishments. Two GPRA goals are associated with the CLI: bringing certified cultural landscapes into good condition (Goal 1a7) and increasing the number of CLI records that have complete, accurate, and reliable information (Goal 1b2B).

Scope of the CLI

The information contained within the CLI is gathered from existing secondary sources found in park libraries and archives and at NPS regional offices and centers, as well as through on-site reconnaissance of the existing landscape. The baseline information collected provides a comprehensive look at the historical development and significance of the landscape, placing it in context of the site's overall significance. Documentation and analysis of the existing landscape identifies character-defining characteristics and features, and allows for an evaluation of the landscape's overall integrity and an assessment of the landscape's overall condition. The CLI also provides an illustrative site plan that indicates major features within the inventory unit. Unlike cultural landscape reports, the CLI does not provide management recommendations or

treatment guidelines for the cultural landscape.

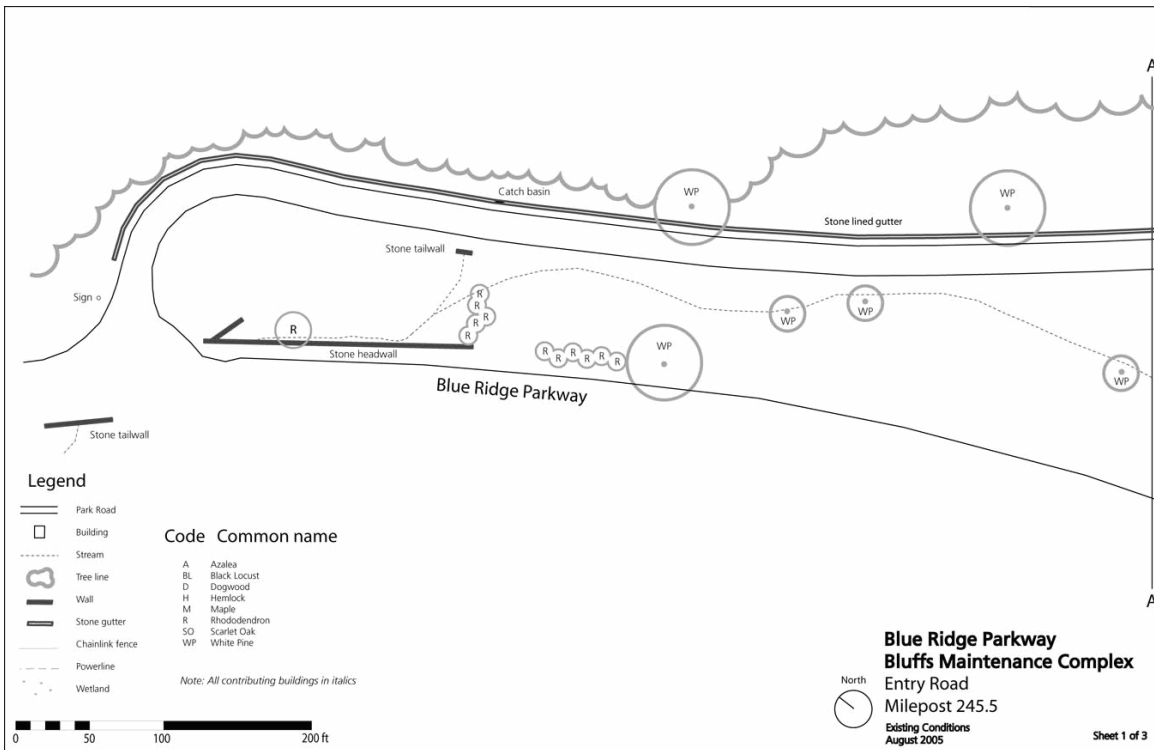
Inventory Unit Description:

Doughton Park Maintenance Area is a 17-acre component landscape set within 6300-acre Doughton Park, a Blue Ridge Parkway developed area in North Carolina. Access to the site is by an entry road at parkway mile marker 245.5. Crossing a narrow meadow, the road leads past CCC Campsite NP-21 (c. 1938) to the forested residence area, and terminates at the maintenance complex. This is one of the first four maintenance areas to be planned and built along the parkway, and much of the early construction was completed by CCC & WPA labor in 1940 and 1941. While the entry road is visible by motorists along the parkway, the residence and maintenance clusters are hidden from view, thanks in part to siting in a steeply-sloping ravine, and to vegetative buffers planted in the early 1940s. The siting, and the rustic, utilitarian style of this development, is consistent with the original design intent of maintenance areas along the parkway.

The period of significance for Blue Ridge Parkway, as defined in Ian Firth's draft National Historic Landmark (NHL) nomination, is 1933 – 1987. Parkway road development between these dates possesses NHL significance, while associated development – such as maintenance areas – possesses NHL significance only through 1955. (Later development may be historically significant to a lesser degree.) Construction at Doughton Park Maintenance Area began in 1938, and all major features were completed by 1952, thus, this component landscape contributes to the national significance of Blue Ridge Parkway as a NHL property.

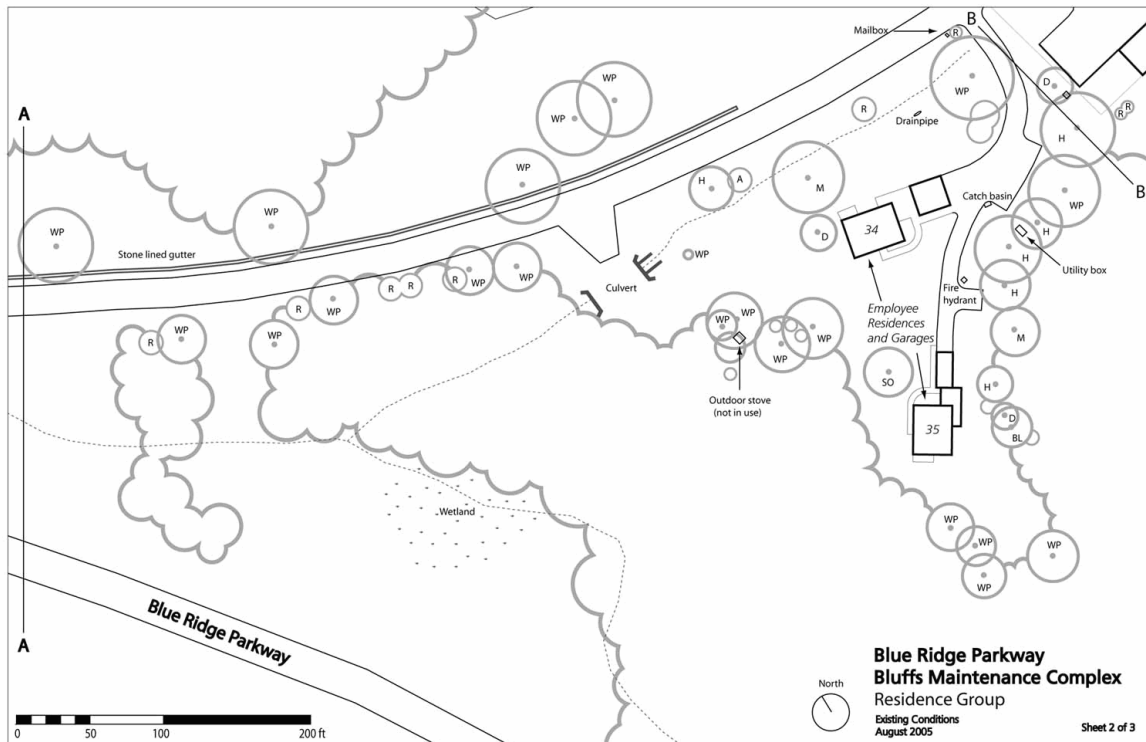
Doughton Park Maintenance Area, currently listed in good condition, retains all major features from the period of significance. More recent development is small in scale, compatible with the original design intent, and largely unobtrusive. The property possesses historic integrity in all seven criteria as defined by National Register standards. Buildings are sited in the same formation planned in the 1930s and 1940s. Circulation follows the same routes, and the vegetation patterns planned for in the 1940s largely exist today.

Site Plan

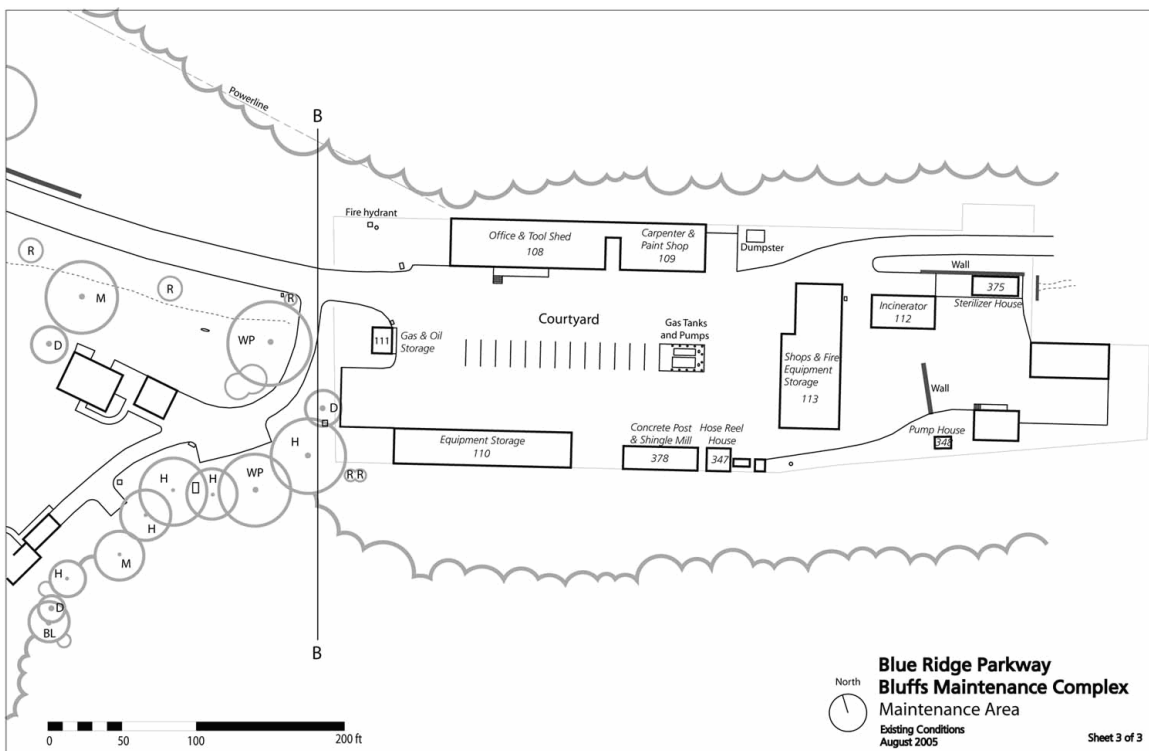


Bluffs Maintenance Area Entry (sheet 1 of 3)

Doughton Park Maintenance Area
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Bluffs Residence Area (sheet 2 of 3)



Bluffs Maintenance Area (sheet 3 of 3)

Property Level and CLI Numbers

Inventory Unit Name:	Doughton Park Maintenance Area
Property Level:	Component Landscape
CLI Identification Number:	550219
Parent Landscape:	550140

Park Information

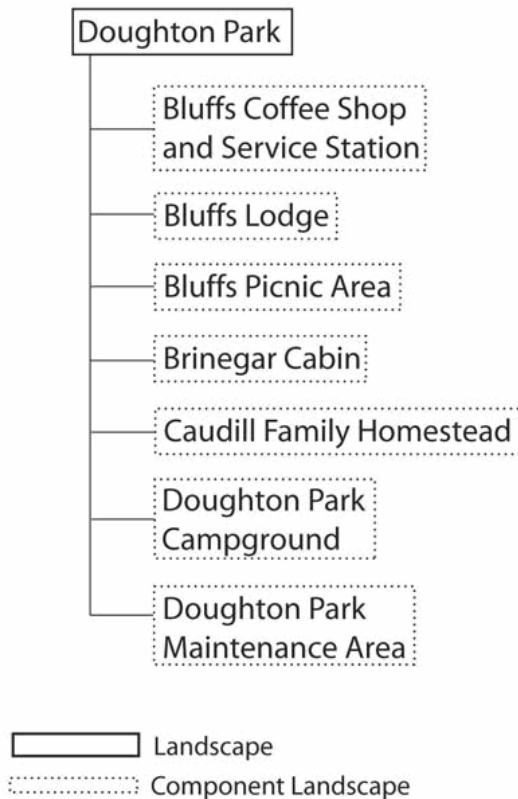
Park Name and Alpha Code:	Blue Ridge Parkway - Highlands District -BLRI
Park Organization Code:	5157
Subunit/District Name Alpha Code:	Blue Ridge Parkway - Highlands District - BLRI
Park Administrative Unit:	Blue Ridge Parkway

CLI Hierarchy Description

Doughton Park Maintenance Area
Blue Ridge Parkway - Highlands District

On the 1936 Blue Ridge Parkway Master Development Plan, Doughton Park (then known as The Bluffs) is shown as one of the proposed parkway developed areas. The 6300-acre site largely consists of forested land on steeply sloping land, with the built environment consisting of rustic trails, overlooks and a shelter. It is listed in the CLI in its entirety as Doughton Park. More intense development was planned for sites closer to the parkway in areas totaling 225 acres in size. Each of these seven sites has a separate developmental history and function and deserves individual listing in the CLI as a component landscape. They are, leading from parkway north to south: Brinegar Cabin, Doughton Park Campground, Bluffs Coffee Shop and Service Station, Bluffs Lodge, Caudill Family Homestead, Bluffs Picnic Area, and Doughton Park Maintenance Area.

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Doughton Park CLI Hierarchy

Concurrence Status

Inventory Status: Complete

Completion Status Explanatory Narrative:

Field work was conducted for landscapes and component landscapes at Doughton Park during Summer 2001 by David Hasty, Lucy Lawliss and summer interns Patrick Beasley, Tom Gibney and Lindsey Heller. The park contacts are: Gary Johnson, Chief of Planning, and Bambi Teague, Resource Manager.

Concurrence Status:

Park Superintendent Concurrence:	Yes
Park Superintendent Date of Concurrence:	08/01/2005
National Register Concurrence:	Eligible -- SHPO Consensus Determination
Date of Concurrence Determination:	09/08/2004

National Register Concurrence Narrative:

Through BLRI consultation with North Carolina SHPO, the entire parkway property within the state of North Carolina was deemed eligible for listing on the National Register. A National Historic Landmark nomination is also being written for the Parkway by Ian Firth.

Concurrence Graphic Information:

Doughton Park Maintenance Area
Blue Ridge Parkway - Highlands District



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July 19, 2005

Memorandum

To: Superintendent, Blue Ridge Parkway
From: Chief, Cultural Resource Division, Southeast Region
Subject: Cultural Landscape Inventory

We are pleased to transmit Cultural Landscape Inventories (CLI) for five component cultural landscapes at Doughton Park Developed Area: Bluffs Coffee Shop and Service Station, Bluffs Lodge, Bluffs Picnic Area, Doughton Park Campground, and Doughton Park Maintenance Area. The CLI is an evaluated list of landscape properties in the National Park System eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NR) or that contribute to an existing historic property. In order for the CLIs to be certified and counted under goals 1a7 and 1b2B in PMDS, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) or Keeper of the NR needs to concur on the eligibility of the property for listing. The North Carolina SHPO concurred on the National Register eligibility of all Blue Ridge Parkway land in North Carolina on September 8, 2004.

The Park Superintendent also needs to concur on the condition assessment and management category provided within the inventory. A signature page is enclosed for Park Superintendent approval. The assessment form needs to be signed and returned to the Regional Office for final certification and listing in PMDS goals 1a7 and 1b2B. If the condition assessment and management category are agreed upon, please sign the attached approval forms and return to our office to the attention of David Hasty.

Attachments



Letter to Superintendent

Doughton Park Maintenance Area
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CULTURAL LANDSCAPE INVENTORY
CONDITION ASSESSMENT CONCURRENCE SHEET - 6 June 2005

Park Information

Park: Blue Ridge Parkway
District: Highlands
State: North Carolina
Counties: Wilkes, Alleghany

Cultural Landscape Information

Inventory Name	CLI Id #	Condition	Management Category
Bluffs Coffee Shop and Service Station	550218	Fair	Must Be Preserved and Maintained
Bluffs Lodge	550214	Good	Must Be Preserved and Maintained
Bluffs Picnic Area	550215	Good	Must Be Preserved and Maintained
Doughton Park Campground	550216	Good	Must Be Preserved and Maintained
Doughton Park Maintenance Area	550219	Good	Must Be Preserved and Maintained

Park Superintendent Concurrence

Concur ☒

Do Not Concur ☐


Superintendent

8/1/05
Date

Superintendent Signature of Concurrence

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**CULTURAL LANDSCAPE INVENTORY
CONDITION ASSESSMENT CONCURRENCE SHEET – 31 August 2011**

Park Information

Park: Blue Ridge Parkway
District: Highlands
State: North Carolina
Counties: Wilkes, Alleghany

Cultural Landscape Information

Inventory Name	CLI Id #	Condition	Previous Condition Date
Bluffs Coffee Shop and Service Station	550218	Fair	5/4/2005 (Fair)
Bluffs Lodge	550214	Good	5/4/2005 (Good)
Bluffs Picnic Area	550215	Good	5/4/2005 (Good)
Doughton Park Campground	550216	Good	5/4/2005 (Good)
Doughton Park Maintenance Area	550219	Good	5/4/2005 (Good)

Park Superintendent Concurrence

Concur ☒ Do Not Concur ☐



Superintendent Date 9/23/11

Superintendent Condition Recertification, 2011

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Blue Ridge Parkway
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Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow, State Historic Preservation Officer
North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources
Division of Archives and History
4610 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4610

Dear Dr. Crow:

As you know the National Register of Historic Places is the official list of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering and culture. These contribute to an understanding of the historical and cultural foundations of the Nation. The National Register includes:

- * All prehistoric and historic units of the National Park System;
- * National Historic Landmarks, which are properties recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as possessing national significance; and
- * Properties significant in American, State, or local prehistory and history that have been nominated by State Historic Preservation Officers, Federal agencies, Tribal Preservation Officers, and others, and have been approved for listing by the National Park Service.

The Historic Sites Act of 1935 (Public Law 74-292) established the National Historic Landmark Survey. The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665) authorized the National Register of Historic Places, expanding Federal recognition to historic properties of local and State significance. The National Park Service in the U. S. Department of the Interior administers both programs. Regulations for these programs are contained in 36 CFR Part 60, "National Register of Historic Places", and 36 CFR Part 65, "National Historic Landmarks Program".

The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 authorizes State Historic Preservation Officers to nominate properties to the National Register of Historic Places and to carry out other preservation activities. Federal Preservation Officers have been designated in Federal agencies to nominate Federal properties and to fulfill other responsibilities of the Act. The Blue Ridge Parkway leadership, acting in concert with the leadership of the National Park Service Southeast Regional Office, are working energetically and enthusiastically to nominate the Blue Ridge Parkway for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a National Historic Landmark. We would highly value your support and concurrence on the signature line below. We look

Memo to NC SHPO

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forward to working closely with your office as we strive to protect the resources and enhance the integrity of the fabulous Blue Ridge Parkway. Please sign on the line below on both copies of this document and return one copy to Parkway Headquarters.

Thanks so much for your assistance and willing cooperation.

Sincerely,



Daniel W. Brown
Superintendent

The Blue Ridge Parkway clearly meets the eligibility requirements for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a National Historic Landmark. The Office of the State Historic Preservation Officer, State of North Carolina, supports and endorses the National Park Service efforts with regards to this listing of the Blue Ridge Parkway in the National Register of Historic Places.

I Concur: Jeffrey Brown, SHPO Date 9 Aug 04

	DIVISION CHIEF, RP & PS	
	LAND RESOURCES SPEC.	
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X	CULTURAL RESOURCES SPEC.	
	ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE SPEC.	
	COMMUNITY PLANNER	
	RESIDENT LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT	
	CURATOR	
	GEOGRAPHIC INFO. SPEC.	
	ENGINEERING DRAFTSMAN	
	ADMIN. ASSISTANT	
X	FILE: <u>SLIZETTE - FILED</u>	
	<u>COMPLIANCE FILE</u>	

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NC SHPO Signature

Geographic Information & Location Map

Inventory Unit Boundary Description:

The Doughton Park Maintenance Area component landscape boundary includes the entry road, residence area, and maintenance complex - including the supply yard in the rear of the property.

State and County:

State: NC

County: Wilkes County

State: NC

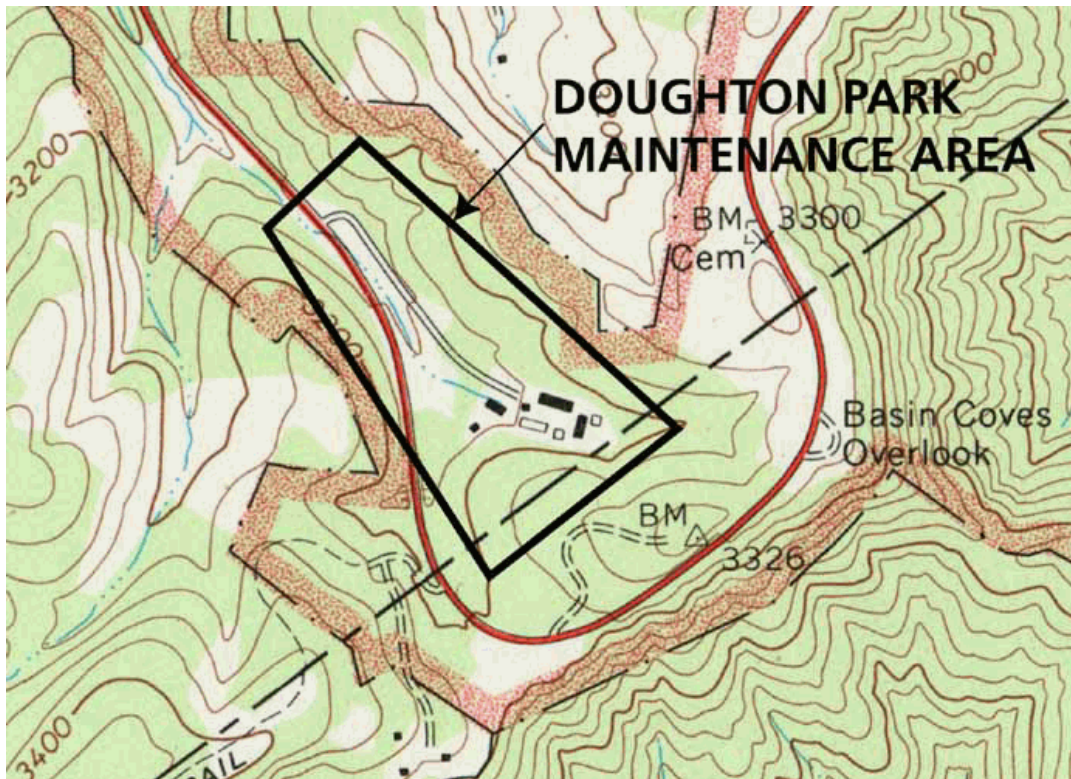
County: Alleghany County

Size (Acres): 17.00

Boundary UTMS:

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Location Map:



Doughton Park Maintenance Area Location Map (Whitehead, NC, USGS Quadrangle - 1968)

Tract Numbers: 34-101, 34-103

Management Information

General Management Information

Management Category: Must be Preserved and Maintained

Management Category Date: 05/04/2005

Management Category Explanatory Narrative:

The major features of the Bluffs Maintenance Area were planned in the 1930s and early 1940s. By the end of the 1940s, all roadway and building development, including the residence area, was complete. These features were completed during the first three periods of BLRI's history (1933-1942, 1942-1945, and 1946-1955) as defined by Ian Firth, and thus contribute to the national significance of Blue Ridge Parkway as a potential National Historic Landmark.

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Agreements, Legal Interest, and Access

Management Agreement:

Expiration Date:	1/1/9999
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NPS Legal Interest:

Type of Interest:	Fee Simple
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Public Access:

Type of Access: With Permission

Adjacent Lands Information

Do Adjacent Lands Contribute? No

Adjacent Lands Description:

Doughton Park Maintenance Area is located inside a small, steeply-sloping valley. There are no views leading out to adjacent lands. Adjacent lands do not contribute to the significance of the site.

National Register Information

National Register Eligibility

National Register Concurrence:	Eligible -- SHPO Consensus Determination
Contributing/Individual:	Contributing
National Register Classification:	District
Significance Level:	National
Significance Criteria:	C - Embodies distinctive construction, work of master, or high artistic values
Significance Criteria:	A - Associated with events significant to broad patterns of our history
Criteria Considerations:	G -- A property achieving significance within the past 50 years if it is of exceptional importance

Period of Significance:

Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Creating Social Institutions and Movements
Subtheme:	Recreation
Facet:	General Recreation
Other Facet:	None
Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Developing the American Economy
Subtheme:	Transportation by Land and Air
Facet:	Carriage Roads, Touring Roads and Parkways
Other Facet:	None
Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Expressing Cultural Values
Subtheme:	Architecture
Facet:	Rustic Architecture
Other Facet:	None
Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Expressing Cultural Values
Subtheme:	Landscape Architecture
Facet:	The 1930's: Era Of Public Works
Other Facet:	None
Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Shaping the Political Landscape
Subtheme:	Political and Military Affairs 1865-1939
Facet:	The Great Depression And The New Deal, 1929-1941
Other Facet:	None
Time Period:	AD 1933 - 1987
Historic Context Theme:	Transforming the Environment
Subtheme:	Conservation of Natural Resources
Facet:	Scenic Preservation
Other Facet:	None

Area of Significance:

Area of Significance Category:	Transportation
Area of Significance Subcategory:	None
Area of Significance Category:	Landscape Architecture
Area of Significance Subcategory:	None
Area of Significance Category:	Architecture
Area of Significance Subcategory:	None
Area of Significance Category:	Conservation
Area of Significance Subcategory:	None

Statement of Significance:

Doughton Park Maintenance Area was planned for and designed in the mid-1930s and it is one of the first four maintenance areas to be built along Blue Ridge Parkway. Between 1938 and 1940, the entry road, courtyard, storage yard, Equipment Storage & Warehouse, and Blacksmith & Repair Shop were constructed. By 1942, the Office & Tool Storage, Gas & Oil House, and Incinerator were completed. The residence area was designed in the early 1940s, and the two residences were constructed in 1947-48. Also built during this time, was the Radio Substation. In the following four years, the remaining buildings in the maintenance area plan were constructed: the Hose Reel House and the concrete Post & Shingle Mill.

The siting and vegetation factored prominently in the location of this maintenance and residence area. While the entry road is visible by motorists along the parkway, the residence and maintenance clusters are hidden from view, due to the steeply-sloping ravine and the vegetative buffers that were planted in the early 1940s.

As one of the first maintenance areas to be designed and built, the property contributes to the historical significance of the parkway. All major development took place during the first three periods of BLRI history (1936 – 1955) and contributes to the national significance of BLRI as an NHL. More recent development is small in scale, compatible with the original design intent, and largely unobtrusive. The buildings, infrastructure, siting, and the rustic, utilitarian style of this development are consistent with the original design intent of maintenance areas along the parkway and all these features retain their historic

integrity.

Chronology & Physical History

Cultural Landscape Type and Use

Cultural Landscape Type:	Designed
Other Use/Function	Other Type of Use or Function
Domestic (Residential)-Other	Both Current And Historic
Maintenance Facility	Both Current And Historic
Storage Yard (Open Area Used)	Both Current And Historic

Current and Historic Names:

Name	Type of Name
Maintenance Area & Utility Group	Both Current And Historic
Bluff Utility Area	Historic
Bluff Park Maintenance Station	Historic
Doughton Park Maintenance Area	Both Current And Historic

Chronology:

Year	Event	Annotation
AD 1936	Planned	On the Master Development Plan, the Bluffs is designated as a recreational area. Utility Area Development is noted for the present Maintenance Area.
AD 1938 - 1939	Designed	Designs for the entry road (w/ retaining wall and stream conduit), inner court (w/ underlying drainage & stream conduit), surrounding buildings, and storage yard are approved. Existing barn and houses are slated for removal.
AD 1940	Designed	Original designs for the Maintenance Complex are altered to include a grease rack, fire equipment storage, incinerator and pump house. Earlier development is not affected by this addition.

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AD 1938 - 1940	Built	The Maintenance entry road is built, along with the court yard, storage yard, Equipment Storage & Warehouse (Building # 110), and Blacksmith & Repair Shop (Building # 109).
AD 1938 - 1942	Built	More buildings are constructed at the site including: Office and Tool Storage (# 108), Gas & Oil House (# 111), and Incinerator (# 112).
AD 1942	Designed	PLUMs show the proposed addition of 91 white pines along both sides of the entry road, starting halfway up to the Maintenance Complex. An understory of mountain laurel and rhododendron is proposed, and a former orchard reverts to forest.
AD 1940 - 1943	Planned	An Employee's Residence Group is planned for an area between the recently abandoned CCC Camp NP 21 and the Maintenance Complex.
AD 1946 - 1947	Designed	Going through several iterations, the Residence Area is designed to includes two residences with semi-attached garages. Pre-existing CCC buildings are used as interim garage/storage spaces and slated for removal.
AD 1947 - 1948	Designed	Radio Substation (Building # 320) is designed.
	Built	Residence Buildings # 34 and # 35 are built, as well as the Radio Substation (Building # 320).
AD 1949	Built	A permanent water system is put in place for the Maintenance Area, using an existing spring and a 10000 gallon water tank. The existing water pump is tied in to be used as a supplement.
AD 1949 - 1951	Built	Final plans are drawn for the Hose Reel House (Building # 347), and the Shops & Fire Equipment Storage (Building # 113), and they are built in the subsequent years.
AD 1951 - 1952	Built	Remaining planned buildings for the Maintenance Area are built, including the Hose Reel House (# 347) and Concrete Post & Shingle Mill (# 378, formerly # 114).

Physical History:

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Analysis & Evaluation of Integrity

Analysis and Evaluation of Integrity Narrative Summary:

Doughton Park Maintenance Area is one of the first four maintenance areas to be designed and built along Blue Ridge Parkway. Two clusters of buildings and structures exist at the property: the maintenance compound and the residence area. Both were planned for and designed in the late 1930s and early 1940s. The roadway, courtyard, and associated infrastructure for the maintenance complex were completed in the late-1930s, along with the equipment storage & warehouse (building # 110) and blacksmith & repair shop (building # 109). By 1942, the office and tool storage (building # 108), gas & oil house (building # 111), and incinerator (building # 112) were complete. This was followed by the radio substation (building # 320) in 1948 and by 1952 the hose reel house (building # 347), shops & fire equipment storage (building # 113), and concrete post & shingle mill (building # 378, formerly # 114) are complete. The two residence area homes and attached garages were built during 1947-1948.

A 1942 Parkway Land Use Map called for the addition of several dozen white pines (*pinus alba*) to the site, with rosebay (*Rhododendron maximum*) and mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) for an understory. The entry remained open in the plans, with the proposed additions starting halfway up the entry road, shielding views to the compound from the parkway motorist.

There are few later additions to the property. Sheds and outbuildings have been added to the rear storage yard area of the maintenance complex, plus a few minor sheds along the perimeter of the courtyard. No evidence of major recent planting is seen. None of the additions negatively impact the original spatial organization.

The property contributes to the significance of the parkway as one of the first four planned maintenance areas, built in the simple and rustic style intended. All major construction took place during the first three periods of BLRI development (1936 – 1955). The maintenance buildings are utilitarian in nature, with concrete foundations and floors, cinder block walls and asphalt or metal roofing. Their construction style is in keeping with the design intent for maintenance areas of the parkway, as is their rectangular siting around in interior courtyard. The residences were similarly simple in nature, although they took on more of a rustic feeling with wood siding and no ornamentation. Entry road design and adjacent vegetation plantings buffer views of these areas from the traveler.

Doughton Park Maintenance Area retains integrity in all seven aspects of the National Register criteria: location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The location of all primary features – roadways, buildings, structures, vegetative buffers – is the same today as during the historic period. The design, materials and workmanship of earlier buildings largely remains rustic and utilitarian in nature, although window, roof or door replacement may have used materials different than the original. More recent buildings follow the same utilitarian design intent. The setting is the same as was intended, a maintenance area set into a steep, narrow ravine sheltered from view by topography and vegetation. Similarly, the feeling of the property remains as a secluded area for parkway employee use, and its original association – namely a Blue Ridge Parkway maintenance area – continues today.

Landscape Characteristic:

Buildings And Structures

Listed below are 11 buildings constructed prior to 1955 and considered contributing features to BLRI as a National Historic Landmark, as defined by Ian Firth. The significance of the Pump House and Sterilizer House, constructed in the late 1950s, are undetermined.

Character-defining Features:

Feature: Employee's Residence (Building # 34)

Feature Identification Number: 98507

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Employee's Residence (Building # 35)

Feature Identification Number: 98508

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Office and Tool Storage (Building # 108)

Feature Identification Number: 98513

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Carpenter & Paint Shop (Building # 109)

Feature Identification Number: 98505

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Equipment Storage (Building # 110)

Feature Identification Number: 98509

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Gas & Oil Storage (Building # 111)

Feature Identification Number: 98510

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Incinerator (Building # 112)

Feature Identification Number: 98512

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Shops & Fire Equipment Storage (Building # 113)

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Feature Identification Number: 98516

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Radio Substation (Building # 320)

Feature Identification Number: 98515

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Hose Reel House (Building # 347)

Feature Identification Number: 98511

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Concrete Post & Shingle Mill (Building # 378)

Feature Identification Number: 98506

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Sterilizer House (Building # 375)

Feature Identification Number: 98517

Type of Feature Contribution: Undetermined

Feature: Pump House (Building # 348)

Feature Identification Number: 98514

Type of Feature Contribution: Undetermined

Landscape Characteristic Graphics:



Doughton Park CCC Camp circa late 1930s



Bluffs Residence Area (2002)

Small Scale Features

Small scale features at the site include a stone-lined gutter along one side of the entry road, tree-side wing walls, stone-lined headwalls & tailwalls, and a picnic site in the residence area, and a stone retaining wall & stream underpass at the parkway entry. The gutter, headwalls & tailwalls, and retaining wall are shown in the earliest designs of the site from the late 1930s, and the wing walls appear in a 1949 planting plan. These features retain their integrity, although the headwalls near the residence area show signs of deterioration. The date of construction for the picnic site is unknown.

Character-defining Features:

Feature: Doughton Park Maintenance Area entry road stone gutter

Feature Identification Number: 98522

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Maintenance Area headwalls and tailwalls

Feature Identification Number: 98523

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Maintenance Area entry road retaining wall and stream underpass

Feature Identification Number: 98521

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Residence Area tree-side wing walls

Feature Identification Number: 98525

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Maintenance Area Picnic Site

Feature Identification Number: 98524

Type of Feature Contribution: Undetermined

Landscape Characteristic Graphics:



Bluffs Residence Barbecue Pit (2002)



Tree Well at Bluffs Residence Area

Circulation

The entry road to the site and the courtyard were built around 1938. The driveway for the two residences was built around 1947. Their configuration has not been altered over the years and the materials and workmanship is consistent with the original designs. They retain their historic integrity.

Character-defining Features:

Feature: Doughton Park Maintenance Area Entry Road

Feature Identification Number: 98519

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Courtyard

Feature Identification Number: 98518

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Feature: Doughton Park Residence Area Driveway

Feature Identification Number: 98520

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Spatial Organization

The primary organization of Doughton Park Maintenance Area is a central courtyard surrounded by utility buildings, with a storage area to the rear, and an adjacent residence area. Few alterations have taken place since its inception in the late 1930s. The newer buildings in the rear storage area, and the smaller buildings lining the court yard are unobtrusive and are not a negative impact on the historic spatial organization of the site. The residence area has seen no alterations over the years except for the maturation of the white pines and understory that still successfully manage views into the site from the parkway road.

Landscape Characteristic Graphics:



Bluffs Maintenance Courtyard (2002)



Bluffs Maintenance Area (2002)



Bluffs Maintenance Entry - note stone wall and inlet (2002)

Topography

Steep slopes surround the Doughton Park Maintenance Area on three sides and serve to shelter the site from the adjacent parkway road. The terrain has not been altered over the years and retains its historic integrity.

Vegetation

Designs from the 1940s Parkway Land Use Maps show plans for adding several dozen white pines, along with a rosebay (*Rhododendron maximum*) and mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) understory along the upper half of the entry road, leaving the lower half (closest to the parkway road) open. This configuration remains today, and the site contains many mature white pines of an size that would date their planting to the 1940s. Both the overall organization of open and wooded areas, and the individual mature white pines, retain their historic integrity and contribute to the significance of the property.

An additional planting plan for the residence area was designed by Orcutt and recommended by Sam Weems in 1949. This plan called for the addition of 3 more white pine, a Canadian hemlock, 2 red maples, one scarlet oak, and 16 dogwood, 3 dozen more rosebay rhododendrons, 20 catawba rhododendrons, 15 mountain laurels, and 13 flame azaleas, with vinca minor and Virginia creeper selected for ground cover. Evidence of this planting design also remains at the site and warrents further study.

Character-defining Features:

Feature: White Pine (*Pinus alba*) specimen trees

Feature Identification Number: 98526

Type of Feature Contribution: Contributing

Condition

Condition Assessment and Impacts

Condition Assessment: Good
Assessment Date: 05/04/2005
Condition Assessment: Good
Assessment Date: 09/23/2011

Stabilization Costs

Landscape Stabilization Cost: 0.00
Landscape Stabilization Cost Explanatory Description:

No LCS or landscape stabilization costs exist. With the completion of the pending CLR, cost data will be available.

Treatment

Treatment

Approved Treatment: Undetermined
Approved Treatment Document Explanatory Narrative:

A CLR is pending for Doughton Park, and a GMP is underway for the Parkway. With the completion of these efforts, approved treatment should become available.

Approved Treatment Costs

Landscape Treatment Cost: 0.00
Landscape Approved Treatment Cost Explanatory Description:

No approved cost data exist for the Doughton Park Maintenance Area. With the completion of the pending CLR, cost data will be available.

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