

Green Butte Copper Company
On the east side of McCarthy Creek,
12 miles NE of McCarthy
Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve
McCarthy vicinity
Valdez-Cordova County
Alaska

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Location: In Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve, on the east side of McCarthy Creek, approximately 12 miles northeast of the town of McCarthy, in Valdez-Cordova County, Alaska

UTM: 06.405006818100
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Date of Construction: 1923-1925

Builder/Designer: Unknown

Present Use: Abandoned.

Significance: Originally staked by John Barrett, mine promoter and town father of McCarthy, this site is representative of the copper camps that sprung up near the productive Kennecott mine during the high metal market prices of World War I and the speculative 1920s. From 1922 to 1925, a few carloads of copper were extracted and, in 1926, the owners ceased production. Many artifacts and machinery remain in place because the site is remote and inaccessible, giving the appearance that the owners just closed the doors, intending to return the next season.

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NOTE: Photographs were taken by Jet Lowe, photographer, August 1984

- AK-9-1 AERIAL VIEW, LOOKING SOUTHWEST
- AK-9-2 AERIAL VIEW OF UPPER CAMP
- AK-9-3 VIEW OF LOWER CAMP, SHOWING SHED, BATHHOUSE, AND BUNKHOUSE
- AK-9-4 VIEW OF UPPER CAMP, SHOWING PORTAL SHED FROM ABOVE
- AK-9-5 PANORAMA VIEW FROM UPPER CAMP ABOVE BUNKHOUSE
- AK-9-6 PANORAMA VIEW FROM UPPER CAMP, DOWN MCCARTHY CREEK, FROM THE HIGH TUNNEL

Also see: AK-9-A, **Bunkhouse**; AK-9-B, **Bathhouse**; AK-9-C, **Bunkhouse (lower camp)**; AK-9-D, **Stables**; AK-9-E, **Tin Shed**; AK-9-F, **Tram Terminus**; AK-9-G, **Warehouse**; AK-9-H, **Portal Shed**; AK-9-I, **Covered Stairway**, and AK-9-J, **Bunkhouse (upper camp)**.

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PANORAMA VIEW FROM UPPER CAMP ABOVE BUNKHOUSE



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