

**CLASSIFIED STRUCTURE FIELD INVENTORY REPORT**  
(Attach 4" x 5" Black and White Photograph)

REGION RMR PARK/AREA NAME Zion National Park PARK NUMBER 1590  
STRUCTURE NAME Zion Nature Center/Zion Inn STRUCTURE NUMBER 90  
LOCATION OF STRUCTURE South Campground H.D. PARK LOCATION CODE SI  
NATIONAL REGISTER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: / / MANAGEMENT CATEGORY: (A) (B) (C) (D)  
NPS LEGAL INTEREST FEE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all of the following categories for which NPS has treatment responsibility:

Stabilization() Cyclic Maintenance() Routine Maintenance() Approved Ultimate Treatment()

(ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION USE ONLY)

APPROVED ULTIMATE TREATMENT OR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, CULTURAL COMPONENT DESIGNATION:

Preservation	(PP)	Restoration	(RR)	Reconstruction	(CC)
Adaptive Preservation	(AP)	Adaptive Restoration	(AR)	Adaptive Reconstruction	(AC)
Neglect	(NG)	Remove	(RM)	No Approved Treatment	(NO)

Approval Document \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Document Date: / /

Estimated Treatment Costs \_\_\_\_\_

Stabilization:	\$ _____	Date:	<u>/ /</u>	Level of Estimate:	(A) (B) (C)
Approved Treatment:	\$ _____	Date:	<u>/ /</u>	Estimator:	(Region) (DSC) (A&E)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Date of Construction: / /1934 Date of Alterations: / / 1974; 1981-83;  
Architect/Designer: G.S. Underwood Historical Theme(s): NPS rustic  
History of Structure: The Zion Inn was designed by Underwood and built by the Utah Parks Company in 1934 to serve as a cafeteria, dining area, gift shop, and cabin office. It was the center for the cabins located north of the present-day South Campground. NPS operated it through the 1972 season, after which the Park Service remodelled it for its Nature Center; it is presently used for children's education and Park activities.

Evaluation of Structure: Historic Theme Contributing X Non-Contributing \_\_\_\_\_  
National Register Criteria: A B C<sub>x</sub> D (Include integrity statement)  
On the front and side facades, the building retains its original character and fabric. There are several small additions on rear facade.

Bibliography: Olivieri, Lance. LCS inventory, 1976; interview with Victor Jackson

Representation in Other Surveys: LCS inventory, 1976;

If structure has been removed, how? \_\_\_\_\_ Date: / /

Report prepared by: Nancy Witherell Date: 10/10/84

**CONTINUATION FROM FRONT SHEET - STRUCTURE NAME**

Zion Nature Center--South Campground

**LOCATION:** Section \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Township \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
 Range \_\_\_\_\_

**USE:** CURRENT INTERIOR USE (NPS 28 CODE) CM

Original Use VV

Intermediate Uses CM

PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION (NPS 28 CODE) HI

NEGATIVE No. ROLL #15, VIEW 6A

**OWNERSHIP:** Present Owner: NPS  
 Original Owner: NPS  
 Intermediate Owner(s): NPS

**\*\*\*PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION\*\*\***

**TYPE OF STRUCTURE (NPS 28 CODE):** BU

**CHIMNEYS:** rubblestone chimney stack on rear facade.

**ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER (STYLE):** "NPS-Rustic" style

**SITE (INCLUDE ORIENTATION OF STRUCTURE):** The building's primary facade faces W toward a parking lot. It is located north of the South Campground facilities.

**PORCHES:** Front porch is gabled, with massive stone piers at corners. Wall and gable end are clapboard.

**OVERALL BUILDING PLAN (FOOTPRINT):** Roughly, a Greek cross with 2 subsidiary gables.

**WINDOWS:** Large single-paned window on front facade. On the N, a large 7-bay window has 4 over 4 windows with 4-paned casements above. The middle window is single-paned. The S facade has a row of five 6-paned casements.

**OVERALL DIMENSIONS:** 56'x66' (sides are longer)

**COMPOSITION (NPS 28 CODE):** WD

**DOORS:**

**STORIES:** One, plus basement.

**FOUNDATION:** Sandstone (low) with basement casement windows.

**ADDITIONS:** Double wood front doors (from porch), rear entrance above ground level, and entrance below ground level to basement. Front doors new in 1981.

**WALLS:** Walls are wide clapboard (12" with 2" lap), with seven sandstone piers at corners on front and sides. Stones are massive and only minimally dressed, with irregular mortar joints.

Small shed-roofed addition to rear of building.

**ROOF:** Shake roof with 3"x6" rafter ends. Front gable over porch, and rear gable and large shed roof. Small gable on N side. Roof insulated and recovered 1981  
 \* Building was insulated in 1981-83 by sheathing original exposed-stud-construction walls with clapboard.

**INTERIOR PLAN:** Rectangular, with large activity room on N end (with 7-bay window).

**INTERIOR FINISHES:** Large activity room has cathedral ceiling with exposed ceiling truss.

**SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES (INCLUDING INTERIOR AND SETTING) FOR PARK PLANNING PURPOSES:**

Exterior retains original massive rockwork piers, fenestration, and roof members

Interior woodwork in large activity room is original.



ZION  
MARRIAGE CENTER

LCS No. 415-90

Photo No. Roll # 15, View CA

Subject Zion Nature Center / Zion Inn

Descrip. of View Southwest

Location of Subject South campground H.D.

Location of Negative RMRO

By Nancy Withersall Date 8/84