# Historic American Engineering Record

## PRIMARY SITE NAME

**(Secondary Site Name, if applicable)**

### HAER No. XX-##

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| Location: | This includes the address, city or town, county, and state.  In the second paragraph, a coordinate should be provided that locates the structure or site. See the HAER History Guidelines for information on assigning coordinates. Here are examples with Google Earth (make sure the program is set to decimal degrees):  The building is located at latitude: 39.185876, longitude: -94.682148. This point was obtained on March 24, 2016 using Google Earth (WGS84). There is no restriction on its release to the public.  The ranch is located at latitude: 39.185876, longitude: -94.682148. This point represents the main gate and was obtained on March 24, 2016, using Google Earth (WGS84). There is no restriction on its release to the public.  The canal is located between latitude: 39.185876, longitude: -94.682148 (west end) and latitude: 39.185876, longitude: -94.682148 (east end). The points were obtained on March 24, 2016, using Google Earth (WGS84). There is no restriction on their release to the public. |
| Date(s) of Construction: | This refers to the initial date(s) of construction. If unknown, state “Not known.” If no exact date can be determined, but a general date is known, indicate by using “ca.” and suggest a reason for the estimate. Include sources for all dates cited. |
| Architect/Engineer/Builder: | Builder: Brief biographic entries are appropriate here, especially if the architect, engineer, and/or builder are not well known or are local figures. The heading can be changed to reflect the appropriate title. State “Not known” if necessary. |
| Original Owner/ Occupant and Use: | This refers to the original owner(s), who may or may not be the original occupant(s), so both need to be addressed here, along with the original use of the site or structure. |
| Present Owner/ Occupant and Use: | This refers to the current owner(s), who may or may not be the occupant(s), so both need to be addressed here, along with the current use of the site or structure. |
| Significance: | This brief statement presents the rationale for recording the structure or site, emphasizing its significance in the local, regional, or national context. It should highlight relevant historical and engineering aspects that make the site or structure unique and are defining characteristics. |
| Description: | The description should cover the physical characteristics of the site or structure in both its current and as-built conditions (if information is available). Dates of alterations and additions should be provided along with a discussion of the modifications, if known. Significant dimensions should be provided. Guidance on how to denote measurements in HAER reports is included in Appendix B. Finally, information on the mechanical systems and/or mechanical processes contained within the site or structure, as well as manufacturer names and dates, should be included. |
| History: | This can expand the brief significance statement by examining the place of the site or structure in the larger context of national, regional, or local history, as well as engineering history and/or the history of technology. Consider not only the general history of the site or structure, but also its relationship to the surrounding area and the persons and events associated with its establishment and development. This section can also include information on why the site or structure was built and any construction techniques that were used, as well as contract information and how long construction lasted. |
| Sources: | Be sure to include complete bibliographic information on every source located. For primary sources in particular provide the name of the institution or archive at which the document, drawing, or image is housed. A list of likely sources not yet investigated could be included. |
| Historian(s): | In addition to the name(s) of the author(s), include the author affiliation(s) and the general completion date of the report. |
| Project Information: | This is a summary of those involved in preparing the documentation, including the measured drawings, photographs, and historical report. Sponsor and cooperating organizations and institutions should also be named here. |