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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Charlton Bathhouse

other name/site number: GA 0003

2. Location

street & number: North of U.S. Route 270

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Crystal Springs

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Garland code: AR 051 zip code: 71938

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal

Category of Property: Building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Facilities Constructed by the CCC

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this _____ nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

_____ entered in the National Register _____

_____ See continuation sheet.

_____ determined eligible for the
National Register _____

_____ See continuation sheet.

_____ determined not eligible for the
National Register _____

_____ removed from the National Register _____

_____ other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper

Date
of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Recreation and Culture

Sub: Outdoor Recreation

Current : Recreation and Culture

Sub: Outdoor Recreation

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Other: WPA Rustic Architecture

Other Description: _____

Materials: foundation Stone roof Asphalt
walls Stone other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A, C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Social History
Entertainment/Recreation
Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: c.1938

Significant Dates : N/A

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Civilian Conservation Corps

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Facilities Constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in Arkansas, 1933-1942," Section H.

___ See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- _ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- _ previously listed in the National Register
- _ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- _ designated a National Historic Landmark
- _ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- _ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- _ State historic preservation office
- _ Other state agency
- _ Federal agency
- _ Local government
- _ University
- _ Other -- Specify Repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>15</u>	<u>465920</u>	<u>3816330</u>	B	___	___	___
C	___	___	___	D	___	___	___

___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: ___ See continuation sheet.

Beginning at a point on the eastern edge of the paved access road loop located 400 feet from its intersection with U.S. Route 270, proceed easterly along a line running parallel with the southern elevation of the bathhouse for a distance of 200 feet; thence proceed northerly along a line running parallel with the bathhouse's eastern elevation for a distance of 200 feet; thence proceed westerly along a line running parallel with the bathhouse's northern elevation for a distance of 200 feet; thence proceed southerly along a line running parallel with the bathhouse's western elevation for a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification: ___ See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource, including the bathhouse itself, its principal approaches from both Walnut Creek and the paved access road loop, and the surrounding land that forms its historic setting.

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Description:

The Charlton Bathhouse is located within the Charlton Recreation Area along U.S. Hwy. 270 east of Mt. Ida, Arkansas. The bathhouse is a one story, rock structure with a one bay, central front porch supported by four large wooden posts. The structure is composed of three sections, a large center section and two small end sections. The small sections on either end originally had doors in them; however, these have since been filled with natural stone. Each section has a gabled roof in a straight line with the end sections being lower than the main gable. The porch has a simple shed roof. All roof areas are covered with composition shingles. The entrance to the structure is a set of double doors located on the porch area. The only windows on the structure are louvered vents. It also has two large sets of louvered vents on the front of the structure, a single vent on each end, and a series of vents across the back. The structure rests upon a continuous stone foundation and has the sloping exterior corners distinctive of CCC structures.

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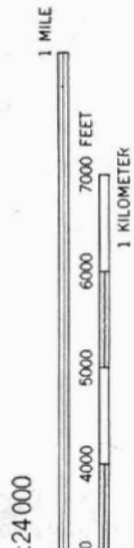
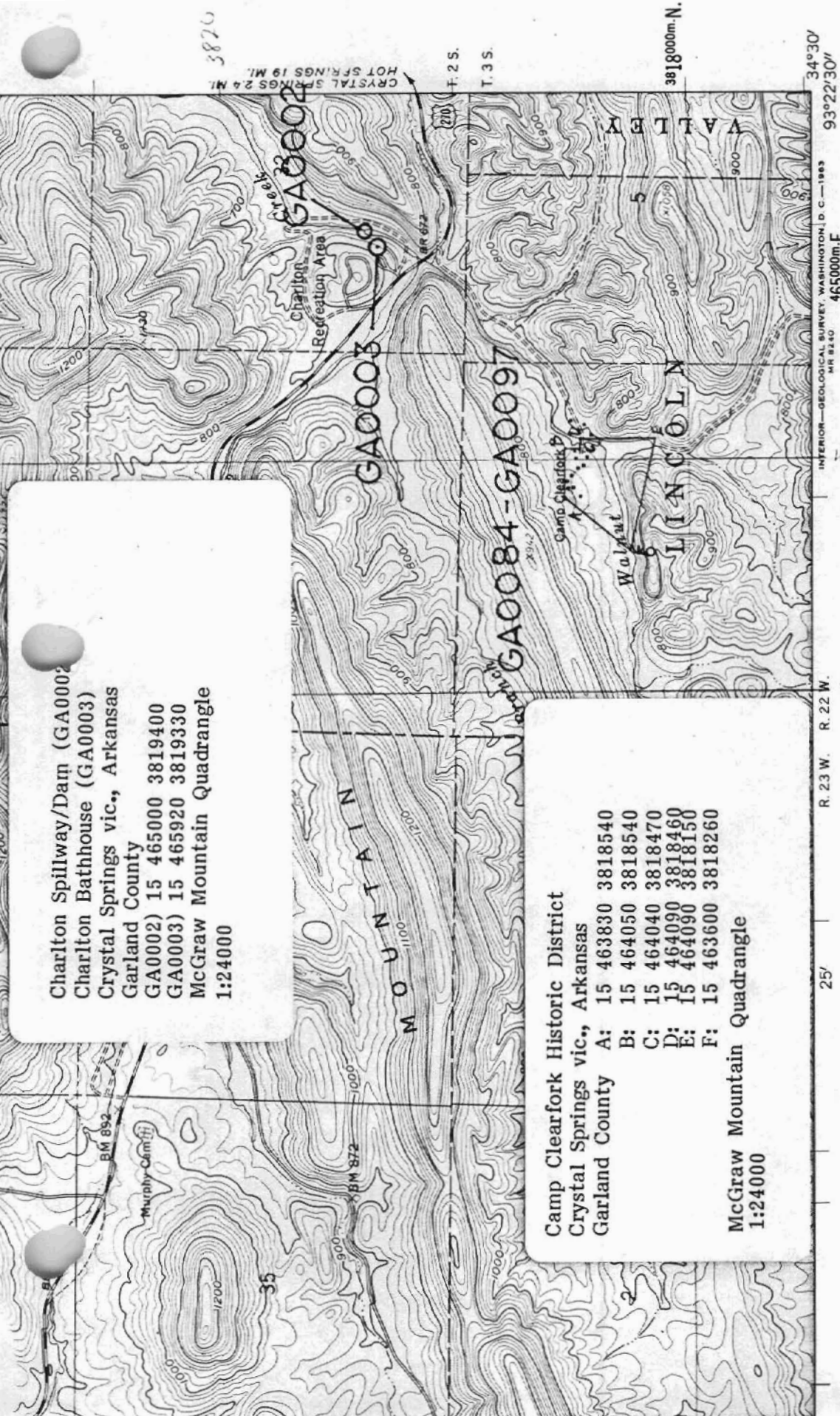
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The Charlton Bathhouse was constructed circa 1938 by members of the 741st Company of the Arkansas CCC District stationed at the Crystal Springs Camp that was located close nearby. It was constructed as part of a small, public recreational complex within the Ouachita National Forest (ONF) as a result of the CCC's emphasis upon recreational construction that began in earnest circa 1935. The extant historic structures within this complex include only this bathhouse and a spillway/dam (nominated separately), both of which allowed the area to function purely as a swimming and picnicking facility, as it continues to do today. As such, the Charlton Bathhouse remains significant through its associations with the contributions to American social history made by the Civilian Conservation Corps, its associations with the emphasis upon outdoor recreation that guided such construction, and its status as an excellent example of CCC recreational architecture in a remarkable state of preservation.

Charlton Spillway/Dam (GA0002)
 Charlton Bathhouse (GA0003)
 Crystal Springs vic., Arkansas
 Garland County
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 GA0003) 15 465920 3819330
 McGraw Mountain Quadrangle
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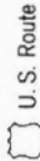
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 Crystal Springs vic., Arkansas
 Garland County A: 15 463830 3818540
 B: 15 464050 3818540
 C: 15 464040 3818470
 D: 15 464090 3818460
 E: 15 464090 3818150
 F: 15 463600 3818260
 McGraw Mountain Quadrangle
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Vertical 20 Feet
 in Sea Level

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Medium-duty ————
 Unimproved dirt ————



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

MC GRAW MOUNTAIN, ARK.
 N 3430—W 9322.5/7.5

AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

1962



