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ntional Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)	Levels of Significance (local, state, national) local	
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☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.		
C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or		
represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.	Period of Significance 1937-1956	
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.		
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A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.		
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 C. birthplace or grave of a historical figure of outstanding importance. D a cemetery. 	Cultural Affiliation (Complete if Criterion D is marked)	
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.		
F a commemorative property		
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.	Architect/Builder Unknown, assistance from the PWA	
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9. Major Bibliographical References		
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Summary

The Marianna Waterworks is located north of Highway US 79 in Marianna, Arkansas, located east of the Mississippi River. Marianna is the seat of justice for Lee County in Eastern Arkansas. Once coined the "Gem of the St. Francis River Valley" by the Arkansas Press Association (APA), Marianna is known for its agricultural productivity and farmland. The Marianna Waterworks facility was built in 1937 with assistance from the Public Works Administration (PWA) as part of President Roosevelt's New Deal.

Elaboration

The Marianna Waterworks is located in Marianna Arkansas, east of the Mississippi River. The town's convenient location by the confluence of the St. Francis and L'Anguille Rivers, tributaries of the Mississippi River, led to Marianna's growth as an important trade center for the county. Representative of the city's progress, the Waterworks holds a prominent place in town nearby US Highway 79 and east of the Iron Mountain Railroad. The facility includes the Waterworks Department Office, aeration chamber, two clear wells, a water wheel, and a well house, which are all contributing. The Marianna Waterworks also consists of a new water tower and an out building, which are non-contributing. The office is a brick building built in the Spanish Revival style, while the other structures of the property are representative of the PWA 1930's waterworks construction.

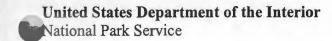
Waterworks Department Office--Contributing

South/ Front Façade

The Marianna Waterworks Department Office is T-shaped and consists of three adjoining buildings. It has a stair-step roof line, as these buildings increase in height. Because the short side of the building is oriented to the south, at the south façade it is possible to see only the tops of these taller buildings that are not obscured by the shorter buildings. The shortest building stands one story tall and rests upon a continuous concrete foundation. It serves as the main entrance to the Department. It features two double-hung, four-over-four windows that are centered on the entrance door. At the foundation level, the brick wall is interrupted by wood framed double doors. Rising from the bottom of the door to half way up the doors' height there is a wood square panel. The wood panels are broken by a glass panel on each door which matches the windows' height. A transom covers the door. To the left, or east of the door there is a bronze plaque dedicated to the president of the Water Works Association, "William Silon "Soak" Sanderson (1900-1962)." Above the door's transom, the wall bears the inscription "MARIANNA WATER DEPT." This section is covered in a flat with a parapet metal roof; however, the parapet is not visible from this elevation.

Visible from the south façade, the top of the middle building includes a brick wall with two double-hung, four-over-four windows, similar to the windows on the shorter building. This building stands two stories tall and is covered in a metal flat roof.

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All that is visible at the south elevation of the tallest building, which stands two and a half stories high, is the common bond brick wall which is covered in a gable metal roof.

West/ Side Façade

The west façade, or the long side of the Office, is separated once again by the three buildings that increase in height. Moving from left to right or from the southwest to northwest corner, the first building stands one-story high and consists of a brick wall that rests upon a continuous concrete foundation. It is covered in a flat with a parapet, metal roof. At the southwest corner of this building, the most prominent features are three, four-over-four, double-hung windows, evenly spaced. The northwest corner of this building distinguishes itself as the west entrance to the Department. The common bond brick wall is interrupted at the foundation level by wood framed doubled doors that match the main entrance doors on the south facade. There is a glass panel on both doors that matches the height of the windows, and a transom. Above the transom there is a stone frieze which bears the inscription of the waterworks name "MARIANNA WATER WORKS." The brick parapet rises above this frieze, indicative of the Spanish Revival style.

The middle building stands two stories high and is constructed of a brick wall, and a metal gable roof. It is characterized by four double-hung, four over four windows; two at the first story and two at the second story.

While the other two buildings are oriented north to south, the tallest building is oriented sideways from east to west, making this façade of the tall building, a short side. It bears no architectural features except for its structural features which include a brick wall which rests upon a concrete continuous foundation and a metal gable roof.

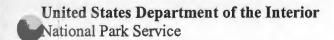
North/Rear Façade,

All that's visible from the north façade is the tallest building of the Office. This façade features a rear concrete addition that extends several feet past the brick wall. Above the addition, on the northwest corner of the façade there is one double-hung, four-over-four window. The metal roof of this façade is gable.

East/ Side Facade

The east façade of the building, or long side, features the three buildings which decline in height moving left to right, or from the northeast corner to the southeast corner of the office. The tallest building of the façade rests on a concrete foundation which extends half way up the building's height in length. Above the foundation, there is a double-hung, four-over-four window. A cornice runs continuously underneath the gabled end roof.

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The middle building of this façade rests upon the same concrete foundation as the tallest building. Above the concrete foundation, there are two double-hung, four-over-four windows that are centered on the elevation and evenly spaced. This elevation is covered in flat metal roof.

The short building of this façade rests upon a smaller concrete continuous foundation. The brick wall at the north, or left, corner of this building is interrupted by two standard, double-hung four-over-four windows. At the south, or right corner of this building, there are an additional two standard windows that are similar to the windows at the north corner, except for these additional windows are covered in two awnings. This building is underneath a flat with a parapet, metal roof; however, the parapet is not visible from this façade.

Clear Wells - Contributing

There are two clear wells located behind the rear, north addition of the Office. These wells are centered on a concrete foundation and constructed circa 1930.

Water Wheel - Contributing

There is a steel framed water wheel located southwest of the Office. It was built circa 1930.

Aeration Chamber - Contributing

Located southeast from the Department's main entrance, the aeration chamber is a circular shape and is a box or vertical board construction. The wall material is Asphalt roll. At the roof of the chamber there is a fenced in circular walkway that encompasses the area of the structure. The aerator, which consists of three louvers, is located at the top of the roof at the southwest corner. The chamber was constructed circa 1930.

Well House - Contributing

The well house is located east of the Department's main entrance, and it is composed of brick walls that rest upon a continuous concrete foundation. Its roof is tar-built up and flat. There is a door opening on the south elevation. The well house was constructed circa 1930.

Water Tower - Non-Contributing

This water tower is located to the northwest of the Department Office's main entrance, and it was constructed circa 1980. A steel, white, circular tank rests upon four, white, metal piers. Metal crosspieces are integrated between the piers for extra support. There is a metal pipe centered at the bottom of the tank that runs to the ground, carrying water back and fourth. On the north wall, the black letters "MARIANNA" are painted. The tank is covered in a circular metal roof.

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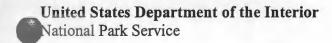
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Outbuilding - Non-Contributing

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Located South West of the Department Office's main entrance, the outbuilding was constructed circa 1980. It is a square plan constructed of brick walls and rests upon a continuous concrete foundation. It is covered in a flat tar/built up roof.

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Summary

The Marianna Waterworks is being nominated with local significance to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its associations with the PWA activities in Marianna, Arkansas. The Marianna Waterworks is also being nominated under Criterion C for its unique 1930s PWA construction and Spanish Revival style. The Marianna Waterworks is being submitted to the National Register of Historic Places under "An Ambition To Be Preferred: New Deal Recovery Efforts And Architecture In Arkansas 1933-1943."

Elaboration

While evidence of de Soto and Marquette and Jolliet's expeditions is prominent in Marianna, Arkansas, the first permanent European settlement in the area began with the Louisiana Purchase. After the War of 1812, the United States government directed its attention towards moving west. In 1815, President James Madison issued a survey of the land purchased from France. Surveyors established an initial point at the area that would later become Marianna.

As more people took interest in this area, the settlement, which would later become Marianna, progressed. By 1870, the town of Marianna was founded on the property owned by John Harland. After many disputes, his daughter, Mary Ann Harland, agreed to sell the property to the local government for the establishment of the town on the terms that the town would be named for her. Three years later, the location of the city was moved three miles down the road closer to the confluence of the St. Francis and L'Anguille Rivers.

The town's new location near these tributaries, allowed for communication with and access to major ports along the Mississippi River. In the latter half of the nineteenth century Marianna grew into a regional trade center for cotton and lumber. Cotton and lumber were shipped to New Orleans by steamboat for trade with Europe. In the *Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Eastern Arkansas*, the average yield per acre was between 350 to 700Lbs of cotton.³ Another thriving industry was the timber. In the late 1800s, three large saw mills were constructed on the L'Anguille riverfront, each with a capacity of 35,000 feet. The average shipment from the L'Anguille Lumber Company was three sales for lumber from the mills which almost equaled the value of cotton.⁴

In 1873, a new county was formed at the junction of Phillips, Monroe, St. Francis, and Crittenden Counties. Although this new county was not a battle site for the Civil War, the citizens in sympathy for their friends and family named the county after the Confederate General Robert E. Lee. Following its growth as the principle trade center for the Lee County, Marianna was then made county seat.

¹ Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Eastern Arkansas (Chicago: Goodspeed Publishing Company, 1890) 569.

² History of Lee County, Arkansas, Nancy Apple and Suzy Keasler eds, (Dallas: Curtis Media Corporation, 1987)3.

Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Eastern Arkansas, 571.
 History of Lee County, Arkansas, 83.

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With lumber and cotton industries advancing, Marianna was one of the few towns in Arkansas whose growth did not exclusively depend on the progress of the railroad. However, some of its growth can be attributed to the railroad. The first railroads, the Iron Mountain Railroad and the Helena Railroad were established in 1879 running from Marianna to Helena. Three years later these were converted into standardized rails and run by the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company. By 1914, the Company announced plans to build a direct line between Marianna and Memphis. At the same time, the population increased dramatically. In 1900 the population was 1,707 by 1910 the population was 4,810.

Marianna's growth was also reflected in its civic success. By 1890 groups such the City Council and Masons Chapter met to work on plans for building a new county courthouse. Commenting on the construction of the courthouse, Sherriff Harrington claimed that the "public's improvement efforts have kept pace and often outstripped the growth of the town."

Plagued with two separate accounts of Yellow Fever at the turn of the century, the community worked to clean up the ditches and the wells of the town and in doing so established a waterworks "sufficient for a great fire and sprinkling of the streets and lawns." ¹⁰ The infrastructure was strengthened once more in 1907 when an ordinance for a sewer connection passed and the commissioner of the waterworks was authorized to have a well dug. According to the fire insurance maps of 1908, this six foot artesian well was dug 604 feet deep with the capacity of 66,000 gallons to serve the city. An Iron water tank, elevated above ground, was used as a reservoir which could hold 100,000 gallons. ¹¹

From the time of its commencement to the present day, the waterworks is owned and operated by the city. In 1937, the Department Office for the Marianna Waterworks was built with assistance from the Public

⁵ History of Lee County, Arkansas, 83.

⁶ Information on Marianna in the files of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.

⁷ History of Lee County, Arkansas, 88.

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¹¹ Sanborn Fire Insurance maps for Marianna, Arkansas: December 1903 and April 1908 in the files of the Richard C. Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Works Administration (PWA). At the Arkansas Sate Planning Board Meeting of 1935, water resources and public waterworks was a high priority issue. ¹² Plans to improve the existing waterworks in Marianna went in effect as the contract for an improved Marianna Waterworks was issued in 1936. Marianna was granted \$5, 106 dollars from the PWA. The projected total cost for the project was \$11,697. The project was completed in 1937. ¹³

The Marianna Waterworks is an exceptional example of the Spanish Revival style. In character with the early progress of the community, this office building boasts its popular modern style. Constructed out of brick, similar to the Lee County Courthouse, this building maintains the city fabric used in the early twentieth century. The waterworks also includes a contributing aeration chamber, water wheel, well house, and outbuilding, which are all representative of the PWA 1930s waterworks construction.

Statement of Significance

The Marianna Waterworks is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places with local significance under Criterion A for its association with the PWA and the PWA activities in Marianna. It also is being submitted under Criterion C for its unique PWA 1930s and Spanish Revival design. The property is also being submitted under the historic context, "An ambition to Be Preferred: New Deal Recovery Efforts 1933-1943."

13 Information on Arkansas PWA projects in the files of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.

¹² State of Arkansas Planning Board Report 1935 found in the files of the Richard C. Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

From the northeast corner of the US Highway 1 and W. Chestnut Street intersection, proceed northeasterly from the east side the Iron Mountain Railroad and Chestnut Street intersection for fifty meters thence proceed north perpendicular to W. Chestnut Street, one hundred meters, thence proceed west parallel to Grace Street for fifty meters thence proceed south parallel to S. Florida Street for one hundred meters.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary includes all of the land historically associated with the Marianna Waterworks.