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Coeur d'Alene

NATIONAL FOREST

Supervisor

Inspection

Camp F-131

Designation of Subject

July 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR

Simpson

This camp is working on heavy stream type on East Cr. and on hard up-land type west of river. The man days per acre no doubt will be high but I am satisfied that this work is being done in best possible way.



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Forest Camp de Alamo
Camp No. F-131
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GENERAL INSPECTION REPORT

(To be prepared in ink by Inspector and mailed to R.O. promptly for typing or photostating. Technical inspections of projects to be treated in separate or supplemental report)

Superintendent Robert E. Gillespie Commander Capt. Slough
Title Name

Inspector Herb. Hadberg Accompanied by Gillespie + Valentine

Date of Inspection July 23-24 Period Spent in Inspection July 23^{PM} - 24
From To

Date of Last General R.O. Inspection July 2 By Whom Ed Holcomb

Activities or Projects Inspected: Blister Rust Control

FINDINGS

(If space provided is insufficient, use additional sheets, referencing to topic by key number, as "A-1", etc.)

A. QUALITY OF ORGANIZATION:

1. Has the Supt. an adequate work program for the season? yes
2. Does it define priorities of jobs? yes
Are the priorities observed? yes.
3. Does the Supt. have well-developed "plans ahead" for each job? yes
4. Do these plans "work out"? yes
5. Has the Supt. a thorough grasp of all phases of his job? Very Good
6. What success has the Supt. in his dealings with Army officers? Very good
7. What is the Supt's attitude toward the job? Very good
8. What % of the Supt's time is spent "on the job" away from camp? 65%

9. Are foremen and facilitating personnel thoroughly competent to direct or accomplish the jobs to which assigned? yes
 If misfits exist, who are they and upon what jobs? Foremen satisfactory
10. Are foremen, leaders and asst. leaders adequate in numbers to get reasonable production from unskilled, untrained workers? yes
11. Are they distributed properly over the working forces? yes.
 If not, what adjustments are recommended? - None

12. Are foremen on the job and assertive in directing work? yes

13. Is clerical work well organized and handled effectively? Very satisfactory

14. How many inspections of field work have Supervisor or staff made since opening of camp?(List dates, length of visit and names of officers)
Nelson - 1 day - June 10
Simpson 1 day - July 2
Valentine - weekly
Holmes - 3 days - June July

15. How many purely "camp visits" have been made by Supervisor and staff?(List dates and names of officers)
Drake
Fosberg
Guernsey
Pence

16. Do Supervisor and staff men make it a practice to leave with the Supt. definite written memoranda covering instructions or suggestions made as a result of inspections? yes

B. QUALITY OF WORK ACCOMPLISHED:

1. Do Supt., foremen, leaders and skilled workers fully understand the specifications and standards applicable to the work upon which engaged? yes.
 List any exceptions:

2. Are these standards and specifications adhered to? yes

3. If deviations from standards or specifications are found, what are they and upon what jobs? No deviation from standards

4. Are written specifications lacking for any of the jobs under way? No

5. What changes in plans, locations or specifications, if any, do you believe advisable and upon what jobs? None.

6. Are foremen active in teaching CCC men how to improve their skill? yes
7. Is the force of skilled workers, including skilled CCC men, adequate to insure proper accomplishment of the work planned for? yes
8. If not, how many men and of what skills are lacking?

For what jobs are they needed?

9. Has the Supt. recognized the need for more skilled workers, what action has been taken to secure them and with what results?
None needed for jobs on which they are now working.
10. Which foremen have made noticeable progress in improving the skillfulness of their crew men?
11. What steps has the Supervisor taken to impress Supt. and foremen with their responsibility for the training of workers?
Verbal and written instructions prior to taking crews out by Supervisor and staff. Follow up discussions by Supervisor and staff.

C. QUANTITY OF WORK AS COMPARED TO MAN-POWER AVAILABLE:

1. Average turnout for work past 30 days 148
2. Into how many working groups was this turnout divided? 8
3. Which crews, if any, seem overly large for economical accomplishment of the job at hand? None
4. Upon what jobs does output for past 30 days impress you as being too low? Satisfactory considering the ground they are now working on Blister Creek.
5. In your judgment what are the reasons for low output?

6. What jobs require more than 2 hours per day travel time? Blister Creek - Last Cr.
7. How many men are engaged upon these jobs? 49
8. What might be done to reduce travel time on these jobs? Can not be reduced on this job.

9. Are trucks operated on a double-shift basis? _____
10. If double-shifting of trucks is not practiced, is it feasible and what reduction in numbers of trucks could be effected through its practice? Trucks in this camp are being used for Forest work other than on project work from camp.
11. Is maximum service efficiency being obtained from trucks? yes
- (a) Capacity loads yes
- (b) Staggering crew hauling trips in and out to work Satisfactory
- (c) Is use of trucks for recreational purposes interfering with use for material and laborer hauling? If so, cite instances: No.
- (d) Any instances of avoidable duplication of truck use by traveling Forest officers: No avoidable duplication
- (e) Any instances of trips on petty errands that could have been attended to in some other fashion: None in evidence
12. Are bulldozers triple-shifted?
If not, why? None in this camp.
13. Are jackhammers triple-shifted?
If not, why? None in camp.
14. Are grading outfits double-shifted?
If not, why? _____
15. What additional machines, if any, could be used to advantage and where? No additional machinery needed.
16. What machines, if any, are out of commission, for how long, and for what cause? None.

How much of this time loss was preventable and how might it have been prevented? ✓

17. Are there idle machines on the job? *no.*
List number, type and cause of idleness: *-*

18. Do foremen have "plans ahead" for each day's work? *yes*

19. Are foremen active in keeping crews balanced and fully equipped with necessary tools? *yes*

20. Are tools properly conditioned for use? *yes*

21. Do foremen see to it that necessary materials and equipment are at hand for worker's use? *yes*

22. If material or equipment delays have occurred, what caused them? *No delays of consequence.*

23. How many spike camps are 'out'? *None*
How many of the working force are in such camps? *✓*

24. Could the number of spike camps be increased to advantage? *✓*
On what jobs? *✓*

D. USE AND CARE OF EQUIPMENT:

1. Are blasting machines in use on all jobs requiring explosives? *No explosives used*
2. Are shop facilities adequate for sharpening, fitting and repair of all tools? *Satisfactory.*
If not, what is lacking? *✓*

3. How many power-operated machines on the job?
(a) Trucks *5* $1\frac{1}{2}$ -ton; *1* Pick-up;
1 Dump; (b) Bulldozers _____;
(c) Tractors *✓*; (d) Compressors *✓*;
(e) Jackhammers *✓*; (f) Shovels *✓*;
(g) Graders *✓*.

4. Are the mechanic services assigned to the camp adequate to keep in condition the number of machines working? *Satisfactory*
If not, how many additional days of mechanic service per month are required? *Need about one day of mechanics service on trucks. at present.*

5. (a) Do all drivers have permits? yes
 (b) Are speed and driving rules pasted in truck cabs? yes
 (c) Any evidence of violation of speed and driving rules? None in evidence
 (d) Any evidence of overloading? No.

6. Are trucks properly maintained?

List exceptions (Give truck No.)

- (a) Lubrication at present need about 1 day
 (b) Brakes mechanics services - Repair
 (c) Lights lights - install reflectors etc.
 (d) Tires on trucks
 (e) General _____

7. Are servicing facilities adequate? yes

- (a) Is camp equipped with grease rack? yes
 (b) Is check on gasoline and oil issues adequate? Satisfactory
 (c) What provision is made for current servicing of trucks? Traveling mechanic, greasing and some minor repairs by drivers. Inspection by truck foreman.
 (d) Are all trucks equipped with service cards and are they used? yes
 (e) Are Drivers Report-Accident (Form 26) provided in all trucks? yes

E. FIRE CONTROL PREPAREDNESS:

1. What is the standard of preparedness set-up for the camp? (See ECW Handbook): 75-16 man units - 4 smokechasers
 2. Is equipment to this standard at hand? yes
 Is it in proper condition? yes
 3. Is the prescribed flying squadron selected, overhauled and trained for its job? yes
 4. Do the selected smokechasers understand their job? yes
 5. Are the overhead men assigned to the flying squadron the most competent fire bosses available in the camps? yes
 6. What preparedness measures have been lined up in addition to the prescribed standard? Other men trained as alternate crew.
 7. Are adequate arrangements agreed upon with the Commander for holding men in camp in cases of impending need? yes - Very Satisfactory
 8. Are available transport facilities adequate for quick movement of 75 men? yes
 9. What additional measures other than increasing size of squadrons might be taken to improve adequacy of firefighting preparedness? Additional tools in readiness (other than fire packs) for equipping larger crews.

10. What general instructions have been promulgated by the Camp Commander relative to smoking and use of fire in the Forest by CCC men? *Instructions to all enrollees to abide by Forest rules as to smoking use of fire etc.*
11. Is the camp itself adequately fire-proofed? *yes.*
If not, what needs to be done? *-*

F. CO-ORDINATION WITH ARMY:

1. Is camp construction completed? *yes*
2. If not, what remains to be done? *-*
3. When is it expected to finish this? *-*
4. How many men are engaged in camp construction work? *-*
5. Is camp construction over-refined? *no.*
Cite instances: *-*
6. If Army overhead, aside from construction forces, consists of more than 23 men, list the uses to which the surplus is being put: *1 assist educational advisor.*
7. Are Forest employees and Army co-operating effectively? *yes*
8. Do Army officers understand the needs of the work being done by Forest Service? *yes*
9. Does Commander switch men without consulting Supt.? *no.*
10. Is mess satisfactory? *yes*
11. Are arrangements for lunches and "extra shift" meals satisfactory? *yes*
12. Is camp discipline such as to strengthen the disciplinary measures required on the job by the work agency? *yes*
13. Are men interested in their work? *Good percentages are.*
14. Is selection and use of leader and asst. leader positions satisfactory to both agencies? *yes*

15. Are housing facilities for work agency employees commensurate with those occupied by Army men of similar rank? *Yes.*
If not, what is needed? *—*

16. Educational activities, (a) What is being carried on? *Radio, auto mechanics, forestry typing, book keeping and several others!*
(b) Are work agency employees co-operating? *Yes - Very good on job training.*

G. GENERAL: (Comments on any pertinent features not covered in the regular report)