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*Inspection Reports*

August 7, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR J. R. WINNINGTON,  
SUPERINTENDENT, CAMP F-135

In Mr. Drake's recent inspection report, he shows 1166 man-days on blister rust, 366 man-days on roads, and 96 man-days on other, up to July 14. On a percentage basis, this indicates that 76% of the time was on blister rust and 24% on roads. Probably this percentage does not give a true picture, because some rainy-day work might have been accomplished on roads when blister rust could not be carried on. However, it raises a question whether or not we are giving blister rust the proper priority, and in the future you should see that not to exceed 10% of the total number of men turned over to you on any one day are used on other than blister rust work. The distribution on days when blister rust cannot be carried on need not be considered.

Under fire-control preparedness, Mr. Drake mentioned equipment for 15 men only. The set-up for your camp was five smokechaser packs and a 15-man flying squadron. If you do not have the fireman's packs, please arrange to get them from Ranger Larsen at once, or if he cannot supply them, let Mr. Maryott know.

**CHAS. D. SIMPSON**

Forest Supervisor

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Camp No. F-135  
July 18, 1934  
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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 John R. Winnington Commander Captain O.B. Stauffer  
Title Name

Inspector Harwood Stone Accompanied by Camp Supt

Date of Inspection July 17-18 Period Spent in Inspection  
From To

Date of Last General R.O. Inspection June 26-28 By Whom D.C. Sanderson

Activities or Projects Inspected: Wister Rust-Roads

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 - master work plan
2. Does it define priorities of jobs? yes  
Are the priorities observed? See note on last page of report
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? yes
6. What success has the Supt. in his deal-  
ings with Army officers? Very good
7. What is the Supt's attitude toward  
the job? To obtain the best results possible
8. What % of the Supt's time is spent  
"on the job" away from camp? About 80 percent

9. Are foremen and facilitating personnel thoroughly competent to direct or accomplish the jobs to which assigned? They  
If misfits exist who are they and upon what jobs?
10. Are foremen, leaders and asst. leaders adequate in numbers to get reasonable production from unskilled, untrained workers? They are
11. Are they distributed properly over the working forces? They are  
If not, what adjustments are recommended?
12. Are foremen on the job and assertive in directing work? yes
13. Is clerical work well organized and handled effectively? Not so fast - Room for improvement - Discussed with Supt.
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) S. C. Sanderson June 27-28
15. How many purely "camp visits" have been made by Supervisor and staff? (List dates and names of officers) Samuel Drake May 29
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? None to date

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?
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 at this time

6. Are foremen active in teaching CCC men how to improve their skill? They are
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. ~~At~~ Has the Supt. recognized the need for more skilled workers, what action has been taken to secure them and with what results?
10. Which foremen have made noticeable progress in improving the skillfulness of their crew men? All very satisfactory and about on a par with one another
11. What steps has the Supervisor taken to impress Supt. and foremen with their responsibility for the training of workers? Discussed in detail at training camp, the duties of each and pointed out the necessity for sobriety and close study of, and close application to the work to which assigned

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

1. Average turnout for work past 30 days 88
2. Into how many working groups was this turnout divided? div up to July 26 - June 27 to July 14 three
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?
5. In your judgment what are the reasons for low output? work is about on a par with other Camps which have impacted
6. What jobs require more than 2 hours per day travel time? Little Ellis and Halsey Crews - Blister Rust
7. How many men are engaged upon these jobs? average of 50 each Camp at full strength
8. What might be done to reduce travel time on these jobs? Nothing can be done - walking chains far back from road

9. Are trucks operated on a double-shift basis? One truck - on Road
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? Not feasible on D-Road
11. Is maximum service efficiency being obtained from trucks? Yes
- (a) Capacity loads 25 men
- (b) Staggering crew hauling trips in and out to work Yes,
- (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
- (e) Any instances of trips on petty errands that could have been attended to in some other fashion: No
12. Are bulldozers triple-shifted? No. Not possible to do so on  
If not, why? on 90-10 basis
13. Are jackhammers triple-shifted? No - using traveling compressor  
If not, why? at intervals
14. Are grading outfits double-shifted? No. Traveling power crew calls  
If not, why? when necessary
15. What additional machines, if any, could be used to advantage and where? One additional blasting machine would expedite the work
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?  
List number, type and cause of idleness:

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

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?

Bulldozer broke down at about 1 PM July 6. delayed until 2 PM July 10, on account repair

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? Yes

2. Are shop facilities adequate for sharpening, fitting and repair of all tools? Yes.  
If not, what is lacking?

3. How many power-operated machines on the job?

(a) Trucks 3  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -ton; None Pick-up; None Dump; (b) Bulldozers 1;

(c) Tractors None; (d) Compressors None;

(e) Jackhammers None; (f) Shovels None;

(g) Graders None.

4. Are the mechanic services assigned to the camp adequate to keep in condition the number of machines working? Yes

If not, how many additional days of mechanic service per month are required?

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? one time around July 4, on Quatern  
 (d) Any evidence of overloading? No
6. Are trucks properly maintained? Yes  
 List exceptions (Give truck No.)  
 (a) Lubrication \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Brakes \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Lights \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) Tires \_\_\_\_\_  
 (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? Consumption of gas - air sampled from Equip report  
 (c) What provision is made for current servicing servicing of trucks?  
 (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): 15 Men  
 2. Is equipment to this standard at hand?  
 Is it in proper condition? Yes  
 3. Is the prescribed flying squadron selected, 15 men ready to go overhauled and trained for its job? Very little training to date  
 4. Do the selected smokechasers understand their job? They do. 5 men of the highest type in camp  
 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? None  
 7. Are adequate arrangements agreed upon with the Commander for holding men in camp in cases of impending need? Yes  
 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 training by Supt. and District Ranger

10. What general instructions have been promulgated by the Camp Commander relative to smoking and use of fire in the Forest by CCC men? Smoking prohibited

11. Is the camp itself adequately fire-proofed?  
If not, what needs to be done?  
yes

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:

overhead	23
wood detail	3
camp caret	2
misc labor	5
leave	1
<u>total</u>	<u>34</u>

as of July 16.  
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? good  
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? yes  
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?  
If not, what is needed?

Yes

16. Educational activities, (a) What is Elementary Classes - Cannon grades being carried on? One Class Electrical Engineering

(b) Are work agency employees co-operating?

Yes.

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

Total number men turned over to Supt June 18 to July 14 inclusive 1628 - Divided as follows - 1166 Blister Post - 366 Roads other - 96 - This last number was used on other work in order to utilize rainy weather. Using the number of men on Blister Post and number of man days on Roads it is found that 76 percent was on Blister Post and 24 percent on Roads.

All project work were lined up and crews were organized. New shells (107) Arrived in Camp July 16.

Critical work needs attention of Supt and this has been discussed in detail with Mr. Winington