Guinn Dipping Vat
Name of Property

Montgomery County, Arkansas
County and State

NPS Form 10-900
(Rev. 8-86)

OMB No. 1024-0018

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

Historic Name: Guinn Dipping Vat

Other Name/Site Number: Mauldin Dipping Vat; MN0051; 3MN1601

2. Location

Street & Number: South of Forest Service Forest Service Road 37 west of U.S. Highway 70

City/Town: Mauldin


3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal

Category of Property: Structure
Guinn Dipping Vat
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Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing  Noncontributing

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1 buildings
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1 structures
1 objects

Total 0

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple-property listing: Dip That Tick: Texas Tick Fever Eradication in Arkansas, 1907-1943

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official Date

USDA Forest Service
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: AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE  Sub: animal facility

Current: VACANT/NOT IN USE  Sub:

7. Description

Architectural Classification: NO STYLE

Materials: foundation CONCRETE  roof
          walls CONCRETE  other
**Guinn Dipping Vat**

Name of Property:  
Montgomery County, Arkansas

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**Describe present and historic physical appearance:**

**SUMMARY:**

The Guinn Dipping Vat is a concrete structure with an associated dripping platform located south of Forest Service Road 37 within the area that once was the logging town of Mauldin. The Guinn Dipping Vat is in good condition.

**ELABORATION**

The Guinn Dipping Vat is a concrete structure with an associated dripping platform located south of Forest Service Road 37 within the area that once was the logging town of Mauldin. The Guinn Dipping Vat is in good condition.

The property includes a concrete dipping vat terminating in a rock-and-mortar dripping pad and drain for recovering cattle-dip solution. The overall length of the vat and pad is approximately 35 feet long. The vat is about four feet wide and is likely between 1 and 2 meters deep. The vat is covered by a series of boards linked by metal cord.

The Guinn Dipping Vat is in good condition, with all of its walls intact with minimal signs of collapse, thus meeting the registration requirements of the multiple-property listing Dip That Tick: Texas Tick Fever Eradication in Arkansas, 1907-1943. The property has excellent integrity of location, remaining at its original site within the former logging community of Mauldin in Montgomery County, Arkansas, a location that also provides it with integrity of setting, feeling and association. It has superb integrity of design, showing little if any sign of deterioration. Its continued high degree of structural integrity is proof of its workmanship, and none of its original materials have been compromised.

**8. Statement of Significance**

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

Applicable National Register Criteria:  
A

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions):  
NA

Areas of Significance:  
Agriculture
Guinn Dipping Vat

Montgomery County, Arkansas

Period(s) of Significance: ca. 1940-1943

Significant Dates: ca. 1940-1943

Significant Person(s): NA

Cultural Affiliation: NA

Architect/Builder: Mack Guinn

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above:

SUMMARY:

The Guinn Dipping Vat is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A with local significance by virtue of its status as an intact concrete structure erected as part of the government effort to eradicate Texas tick fever from Arkansas cattle.

ELABORATION:

The town of Mauldin was owned by the Caddo River Lumber Company, which laid tracks to the area by the end of 1922 and built the town in 1923 to support harvesting of the region’s abundant timber. The firm set the intersection of logging railroad lines and the main lines in the center of town and placed the town’s principal structures – company office, boarding house, school and church – nearby. Two-room camp houses were moved in from Pike County and other structures, primarily shotgun houses, were erected to house loggers and their families.

The town was not centered on a town square, instead trailing along both sides of the railroad line for about two miles. Census records from 1930 showed that Mauldin had a population of 896. After all of the harvestable timber in Montgomery County was cleared by 1937, Caddo River Lumber Company extended a line to the town of Forester in Scott County northwest of Mauldin. The U.S. Forest Service bought the now-depopulated town of Mauldin in 1938.

After the Forest Service purchased the land, Mr. Mack Guinn constructed the Guinn Dipping Vat ca. 1940 to serve the cattle owners who lived in the area. It likely was in use at least until Arkansas was removed from the tick fever quarantine in 1943 and quite possibly after that time.

The Guinn Dipping Vat is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A with local significance by virtue of its status as an intact concrete structure erected as part of the government effort to eradicate Texas tick fever from Arkansas cattle.
9. Major Bibliographical References

Melissa Memory, Arkansas Archeological Survey Site Survey Form #3MN1601


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:

X State historic preservation office
X Federal agency
X Local government
X University
X Other -- Specify Repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description:
A 22-meter circle centering on UTM point 15/438142/3827854.

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all of the historic resources associated with the Guinn Dipping Vat and its surroundings.

11. Form Prepared By

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