OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

IDABEL CITY GOLF COURSE

LOCATION: Country Club Drive, Idabel, Oklahoma 040, McCurtain County 089; Sec. 4, T 8 S, R 24 E

CLASSIFICATION: site; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use-entertainment

OWNER: City of Idabel, City Hall, Idabel, OK 74745

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: McCurtain County Courthouse, Idabel, OK 74745

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

Now leased to the Idabel Country Club, the golf course consists of eighteen holes and is situated on rolling terrain lined with pine and oak trees. Two water impoundment ponds with earth dams are located on the property. The club house, a recent addition to the grounds, is not a part of this nomination.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

The Idabel golf course is significant because it constitutes a most unique WPA recreational project. The agency undertook construction of only two courses in all of Oklahoma, one of which--at Idabel--was in the southeastern counties. It is notable, therefore, in terms of type of project. The golf course is especially significant in that construction of it provided gainful employment for dozens of destitute men who had been without jobs since early in the depression.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One hundred sixty acres

Quadrangle: Idabel, Okla. 1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A-15 334780 3751040; B-15 333520 3751060; C--15 333510 3750260; D-15 334320 3750240

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated on the southeastern corner of Idabel on highway 270 bypass, the golf course occupies land described as the SE 1/4 of Sec. 4, T 8 S, R 24 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 122-A, 122-B