

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

SEMINOLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

LOCATION: State Highway 99 and Bluff Avenue, Seminole, Oklahoma 040, Seminole County 133

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--storage

OWNER: The City of Seminole, Seminole, Oklahoma 74868

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Seminole County Courthouse, Wewoka, OK 74484

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

The Seminole Water Treatment Plant is a single-story structure with a rectangular shaped garage and a wing on the north side. This building measures 60' x 45' and is constructed of rusticated and randomly laid, native stone. The roof is gabled with an intersecting gable over the wing. Windows are metal casement with concrete sills and continuous lintels. The garage has one long door with a concrete lintel and a recessed wooden door on the opposite side. The roof has been extended south in catslide fashion to provide a sheltered area for city vehicles and a 24 foot brick addition has been attached to the wing. The integrity of the structure is still intact..

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: unknown

The Seminole Water Treatment Plant is significant because its construction satisfied two needs. One need was the necessity for employment for many unemployed residents of Seminole. This need was met by using labor drawn from the relief rolls to build the treatment plant. The other need was the necessity for a water treatment plant in Seminole, since the city could not afford to build one because of the high costs involved and the shortage of funds to meet those costs. Therefore, the city applied for federal aid in the form of a WPA project to build the needed plant. The building is still used by the city and is readily noticed because of its unique type, style, and choice of materials.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: less than one acre

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

UTM: 14 712160 3899850

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: A tract of land 10 feet north, west, south and east of the north, west, south and east walls of the structure centered upon the above referenced UTM, in Sec. 27, T 9 N, R 6 E, that part of the NW, SW, SW lying north of Wewoka Creek

PICTURE REFERENCE: 81-a; 81-b