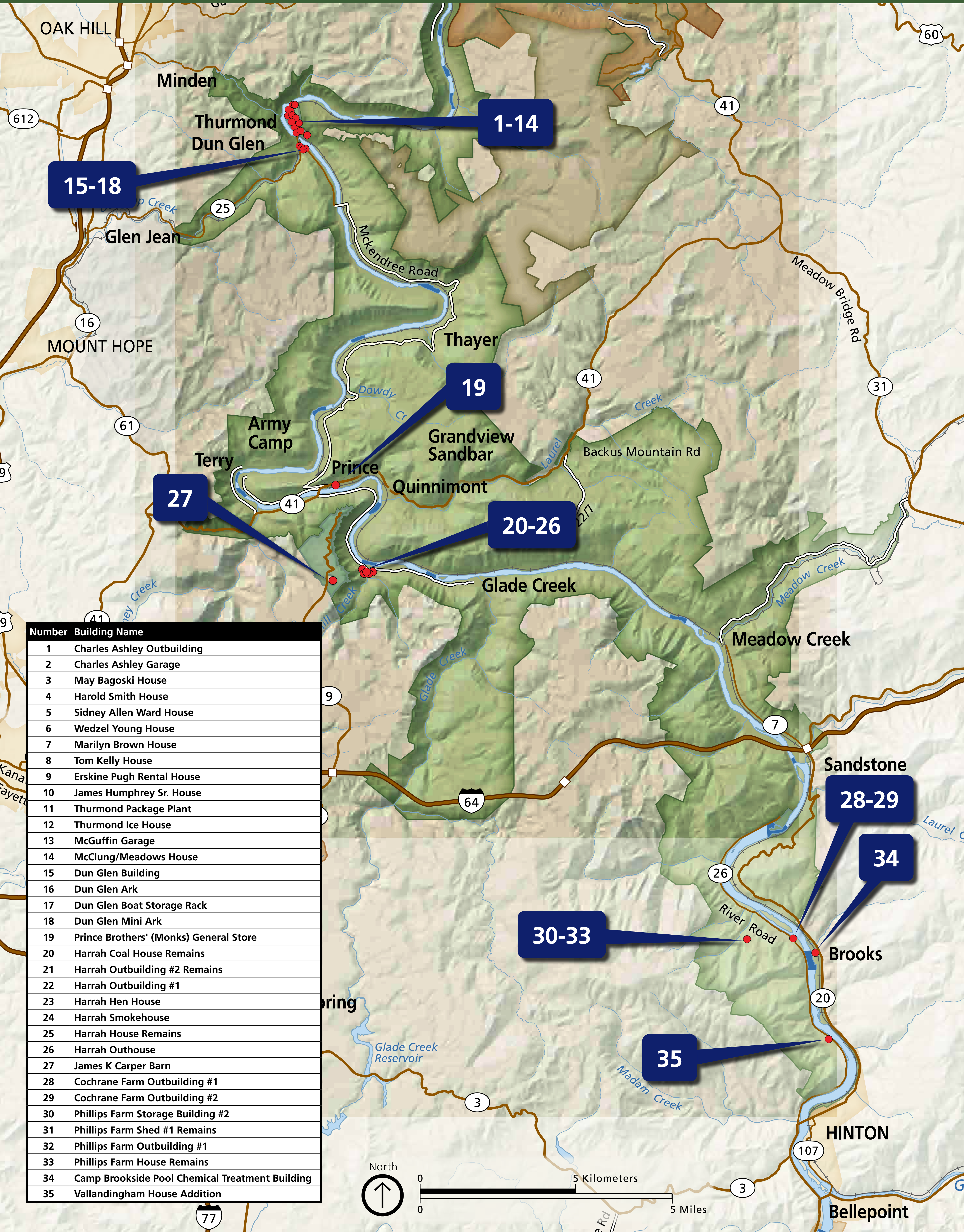




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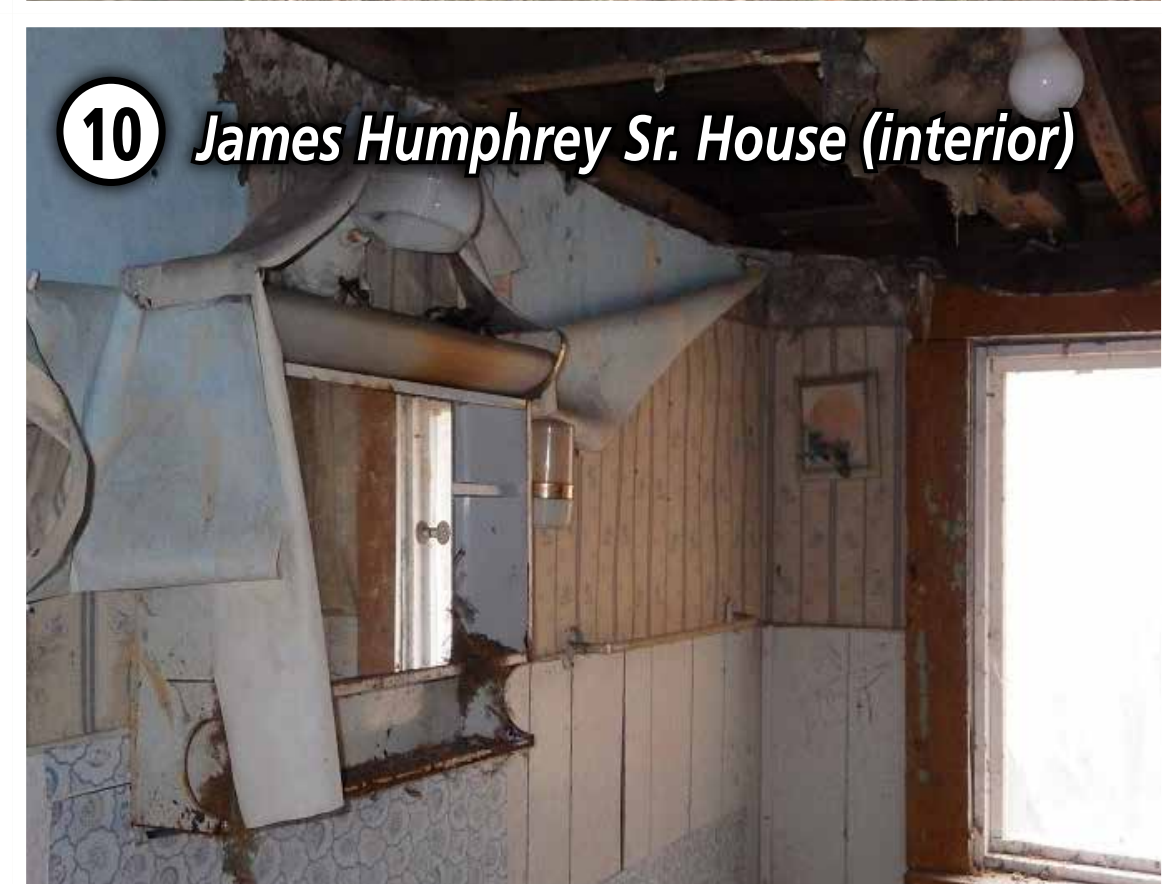
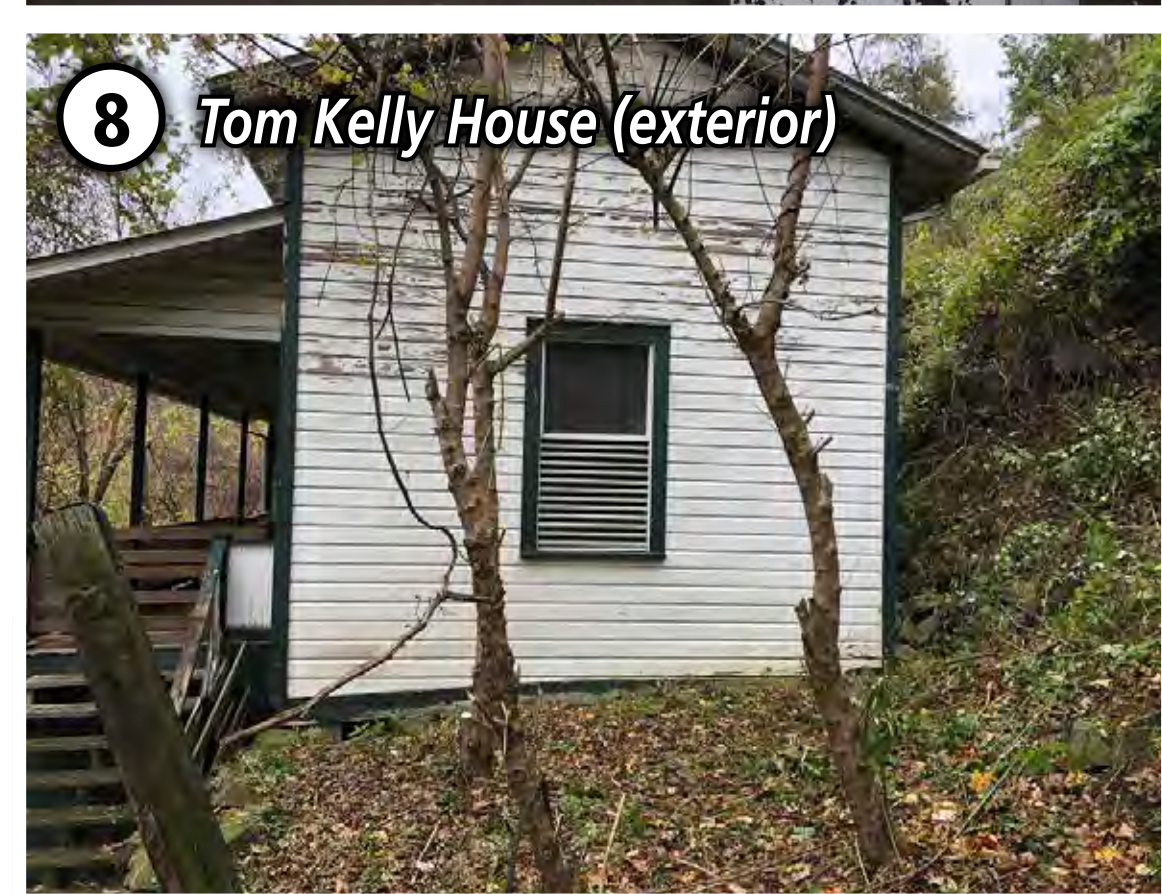
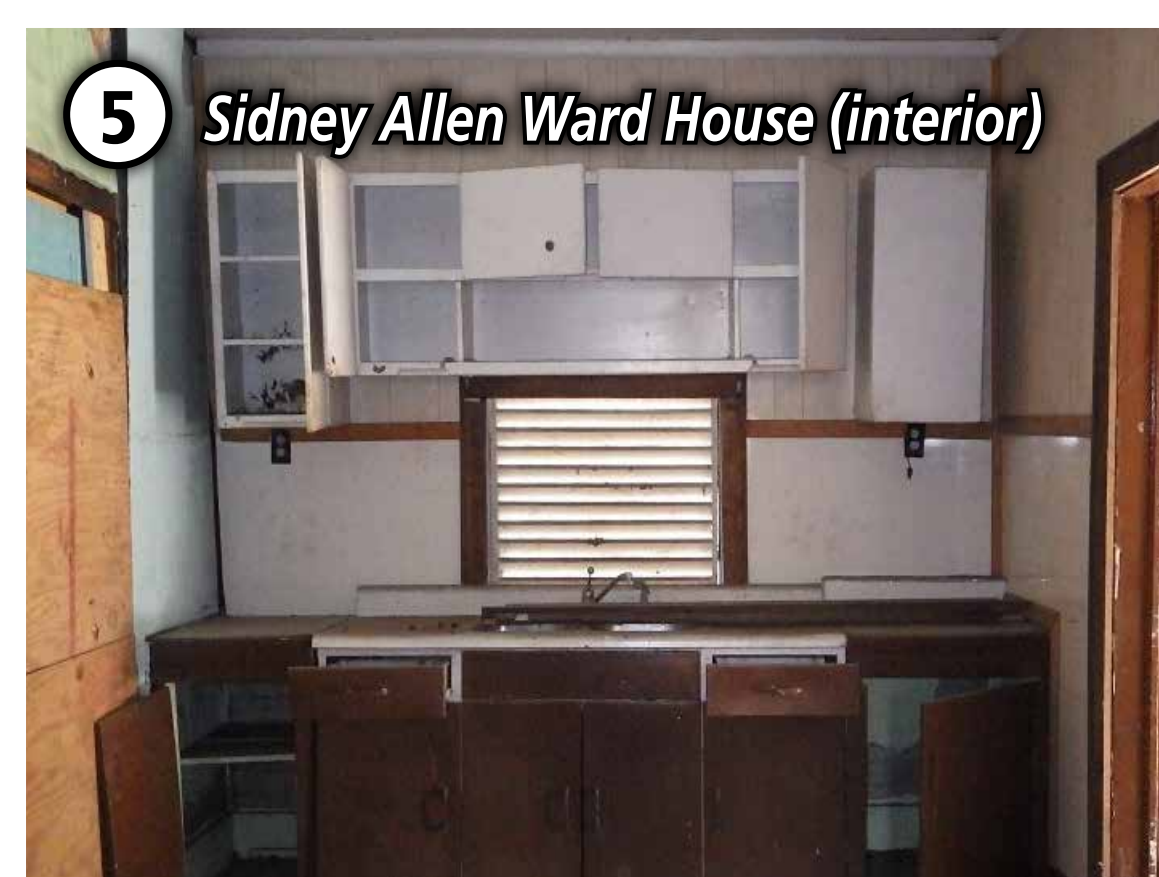
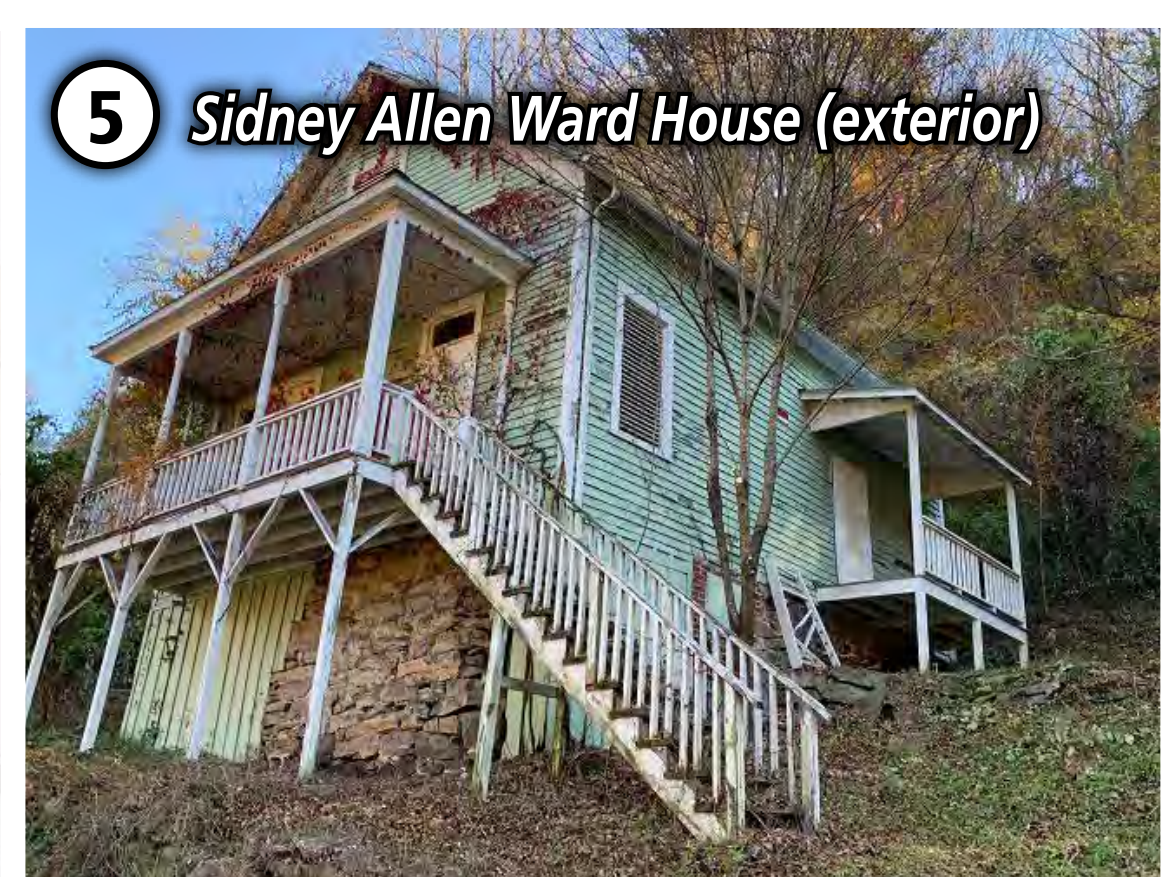
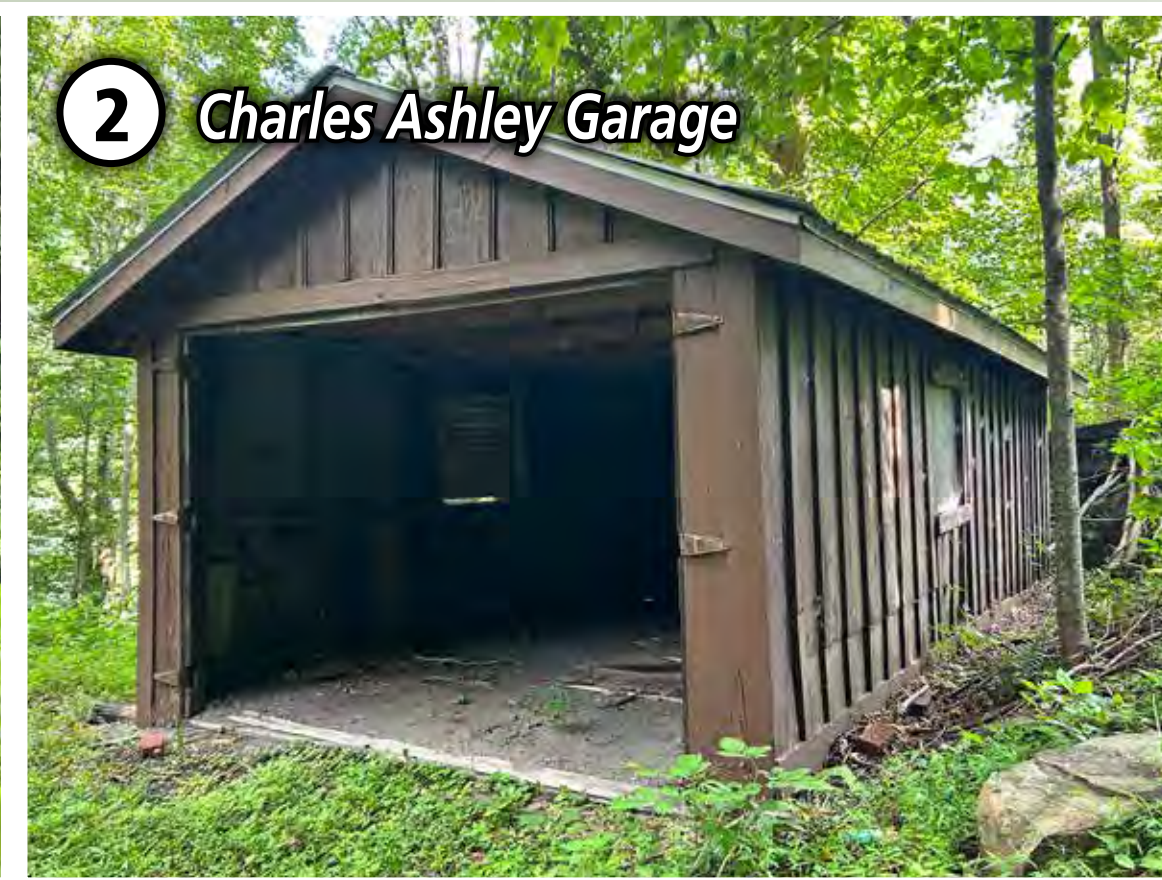


Number	Building Name
1	Charles Ashley Outbuilding
2	Charles Ashley Garage
3	May Bagoski House
4	Harold Smith House
5	Sidney Allen Ward House
6	Wedzel Young House
7	Marilyn Brown House
8	Tom Kelly House
9	Erskine Pugh Rental House
10	James Humphrey Sr. House
11	Thurmond Package Plant
12	Thurmond Ice House
13	McGuffin Garage
14	McClung/Meadows House
15	Dun Glen Building
16	Dun Glen Ark
17	Dun Glen Boat Storage Rack
18	Dun Glen Mini Ark
19	Prince Brothers' (Monks) General Store
20	Harrah Coal House Remains
21	Harrah Outbuilding #2 Remains
22	Harrah Outbuilding #1
23	Harrah Hen House
24	Harrah Smokehouse
25	Harrah House Remains
26	Harrah Outhouse
27	James K Carper Barn
28	Cochrane Farm Outbuilding #1
29	Cochrane Farm Outbuilding #2
30	Phillips Farm Storage Building #2
31	Phillips Farm Shed #1 Remains
32	Phillips Farm Outbuilding #1
33	Phillips Farm House Remains
34	Camp Brookside Pool Chemical Treatment Building
35	Vallandigham House Addition



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Harrah Homestead



20 Harrah Coal House Remains



21 Harrah Outbuilding #2 Remains



22 Harrah Outbuilding #1



23 Harrah Hen House



24 Harrah Smokehouse



25 Harrah House Remains



26 Harrah Outhouse

Dun Glen



15 Dun Glen Building (exterior)



15 Dun Glen Building (exterior)



15 Dun Glen Building (interior)



16 Dun Glen Ark



17 Dun Glen Boat Storage Rack



18 Dun Glen Mini Ark



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James Phillips Farm



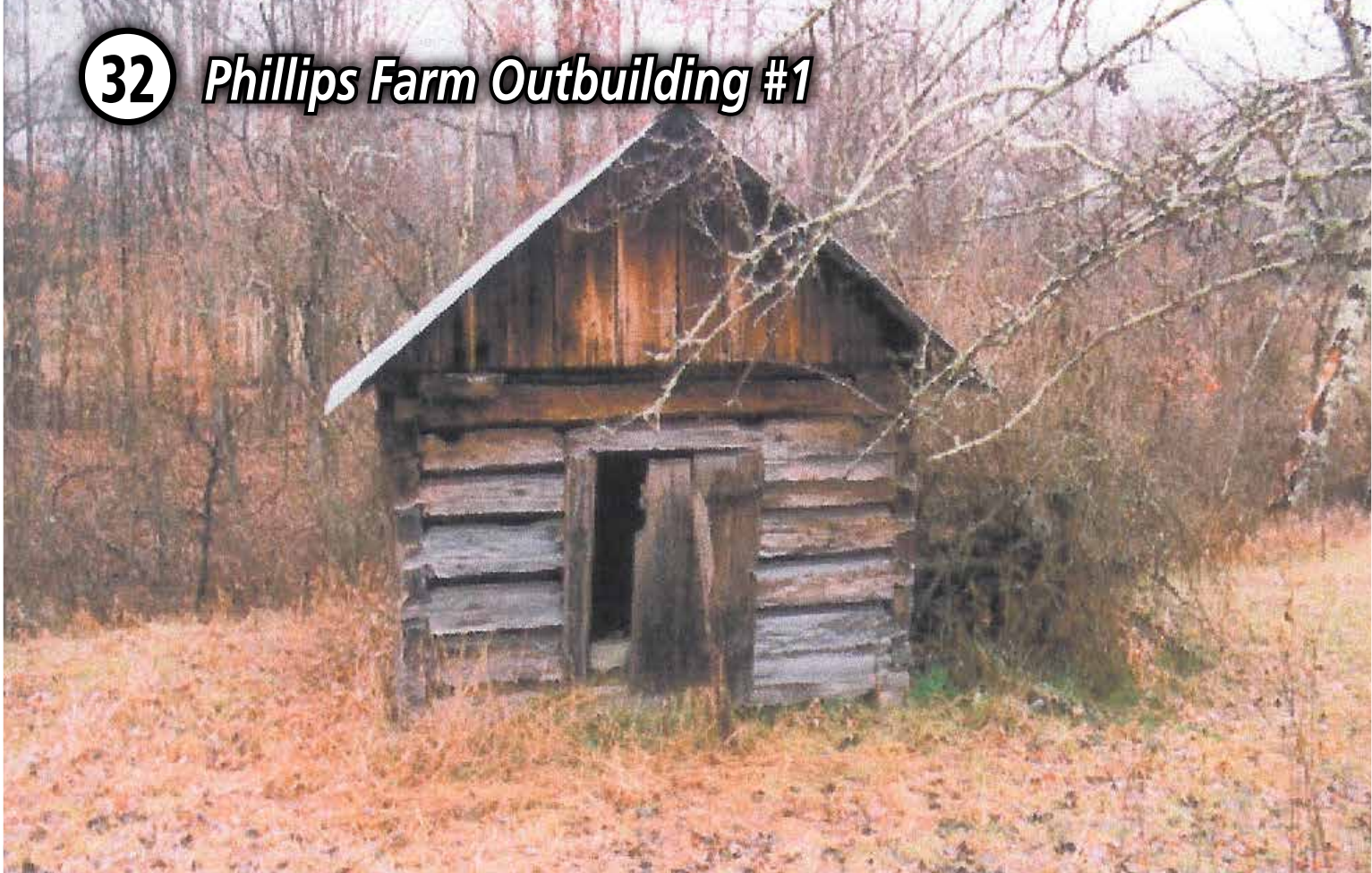
30 Phillips Farm Storage Building #2 (exterior)



30 Phillips Farm Storage Building #2 (interior)



31 Phillips Farm Shed #1 Remains



32 Phillips Farm Outbuilding #1



33 Phillips Farm House Remains

Cochrane Farm



28 Cochrane Farm Outbuilding #1



29 Cochrane Farm Outbuilding #2

Other Buildings



19 Prince Brothers' (Monks) General Store (exterior)



19 Prince Brothers' (Monks) General Store (rear exterior)



19 Prince Brothers' (Monks) General Store (interior)



34 Camp Brookside Pool Chemical Treatment Building



27 James K Carper Barn (exterior)



27 James K Carper Barn (interior)



35 Vallandingham House Addition



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Related Projects

The National Park Service is currently in the planning and design process for related projects to invest in infrastructure throughout the park. These projects include the following actions:

- » Rehabilitate the Sandstone Visitor Center water system
 - » Upgrade wastewater infrastructure in Burnwood, Thurmond, Dun Glen, and Grandview
 - » Remediate site and building drainage issues at Thurmond Commercial Row, the Fatty Lipcomb House, Cunard Restroom, and Fayette Restroom
 - » Stabilize and rehabilitate Thurmond’s Commercial Row buildings, as well as the Fatty Lipcomb, McClung, and McGuffin Houses
 - » Optimize and reimagine Dun Glen’s day use and boat launch areas; provide accessible paths to existing structures where feasible, per the Architectural Barriers Act Accessibility Standard requirements
 - » Update existing restroom facilities at Cunard, Fayette, Dun Glen, and Grandview for accessibility and code compliance
- The photos below show the key historic structures that will be stabilized and rehabilitated in the Thurmond Historic District.

Commercial Row

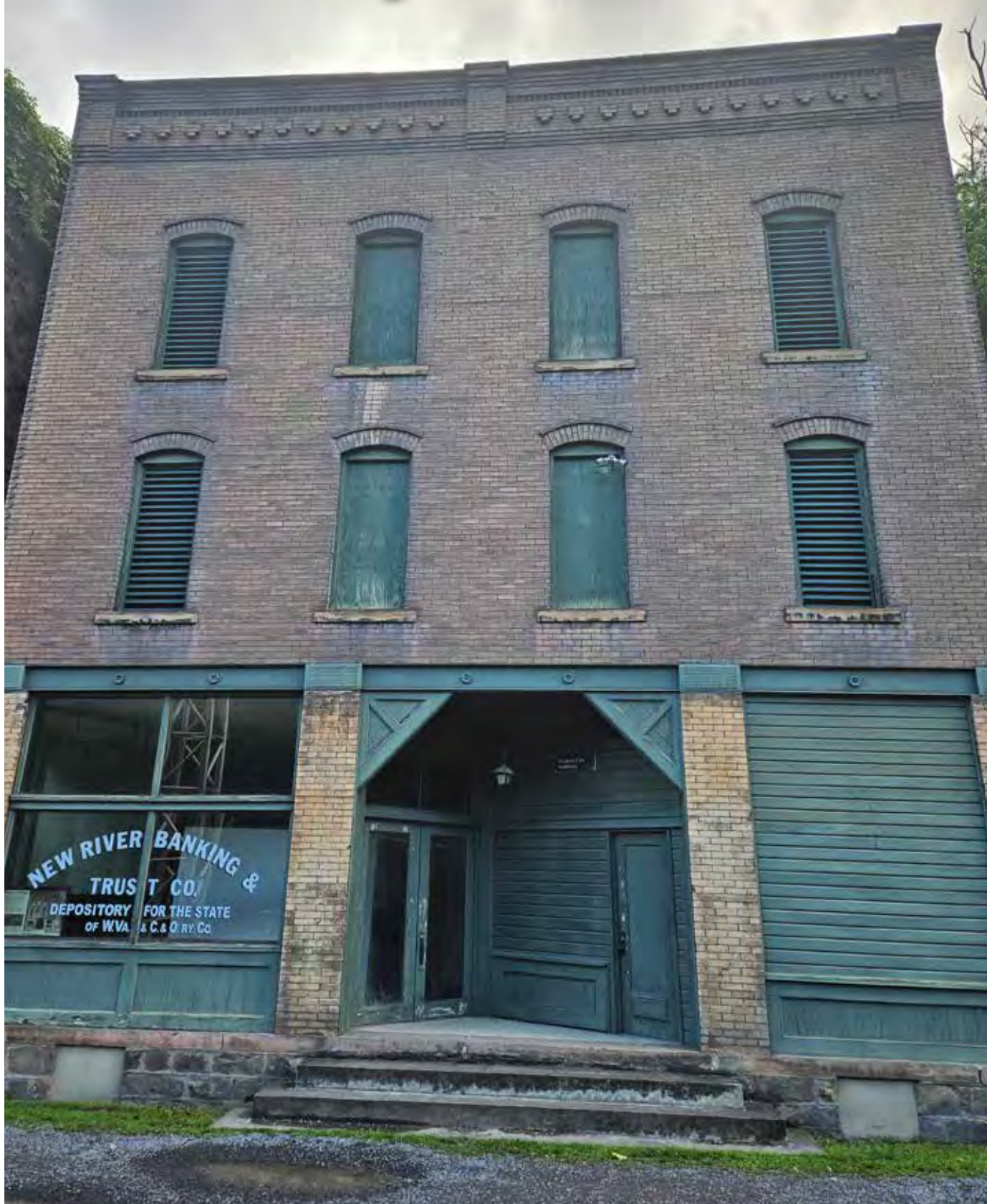
National Bank of Thurmond



Goodman-Kindcaid Building



Mankin-Cox Building



Historic Houses

Fatty Lipcomb House



McClung House



McGuffin House





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Project Overview

The National Park Service owns numerous buildings and structures within the established boundaries of New River Gorge National Park and Preserve (the park). Many of these structures came into the possession of the National Park Service through land acquisition and are now abandoned, dilapidated, and overgrown.

The National Park Service proposes to remove 35 of these excess structures within the park, 21 of which are considered historic and are either listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Many of these excess structures pose safety hazards for visitors and park staff and are vulnerable to vandalism. After the structures are demolished, debris would be hauled offsite to an approved landfill, and the sites would be restored to a condition consistent with their natural surroundings. This proposal is part of a larger project within the park to rehabilitate historic structures, invest in park infrastructure, address deferred maintenance needs, and reduce unnecessary operational costs and maintenance burdens.

Project Justification

Removing these structures would reduce public hazards and eyesores. Returning the sites to a natural condition would improve the local environment and the visitor’s experience. Several structures located within the park’s facility-use areas have been deemed surplus and demolishing them would thereby reduce the park’s footprint and costs to maintain these buildings. This undertaking would allow the National Park Service to better focus its resources on maintaining its many other facilities and resources.

In deciding whether to demolish these structures, the National Park Service considered operational efficiency and costs of removing the structures compared with rehabilitating and maintaining them over a long period of time, among other factors.

Project Schedule		
Milestone	Targeted Schedule	Opportunity for Public Input
Civic Engagement	Winter 2023/2024	Engage the public on issues and potential impacts. Public comment period.
Intiate Environmental Compliance Process	Winter 2024	NPS staff review public comments and prepare compliance document
Public Review of Compliance Document	Spring 2024	Compliance document released for public review. Public comment period.
Decision Document	Summer2024	NPS selects the alternative to be implemented and prepares decision document.

How to Comment

The National Park Service invites your input on this project. Formal comments can be submitted two ways:

1. Submit comments electronically at: <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/GAOAExcessStructureDemo>
-- or --
2. Mail or hand deliver written comments to park headquarters:

Superintendent
RE: Excess Structures and Deferred Maintenance
New River Gorge Park & Preserve
P.O. Box 246, 104 Main Street
Glen Jean, WV 25846



Great American Outdoors Act Projects
Proposed for the Future

Additional projects have been developed by the park that meet the criteria of the Great American Outdoors Act and are proposed for future funding.

Proposed Dun Glen Upgrades



Improvements to Dun Glen Day Use Area, River Access and Facilities

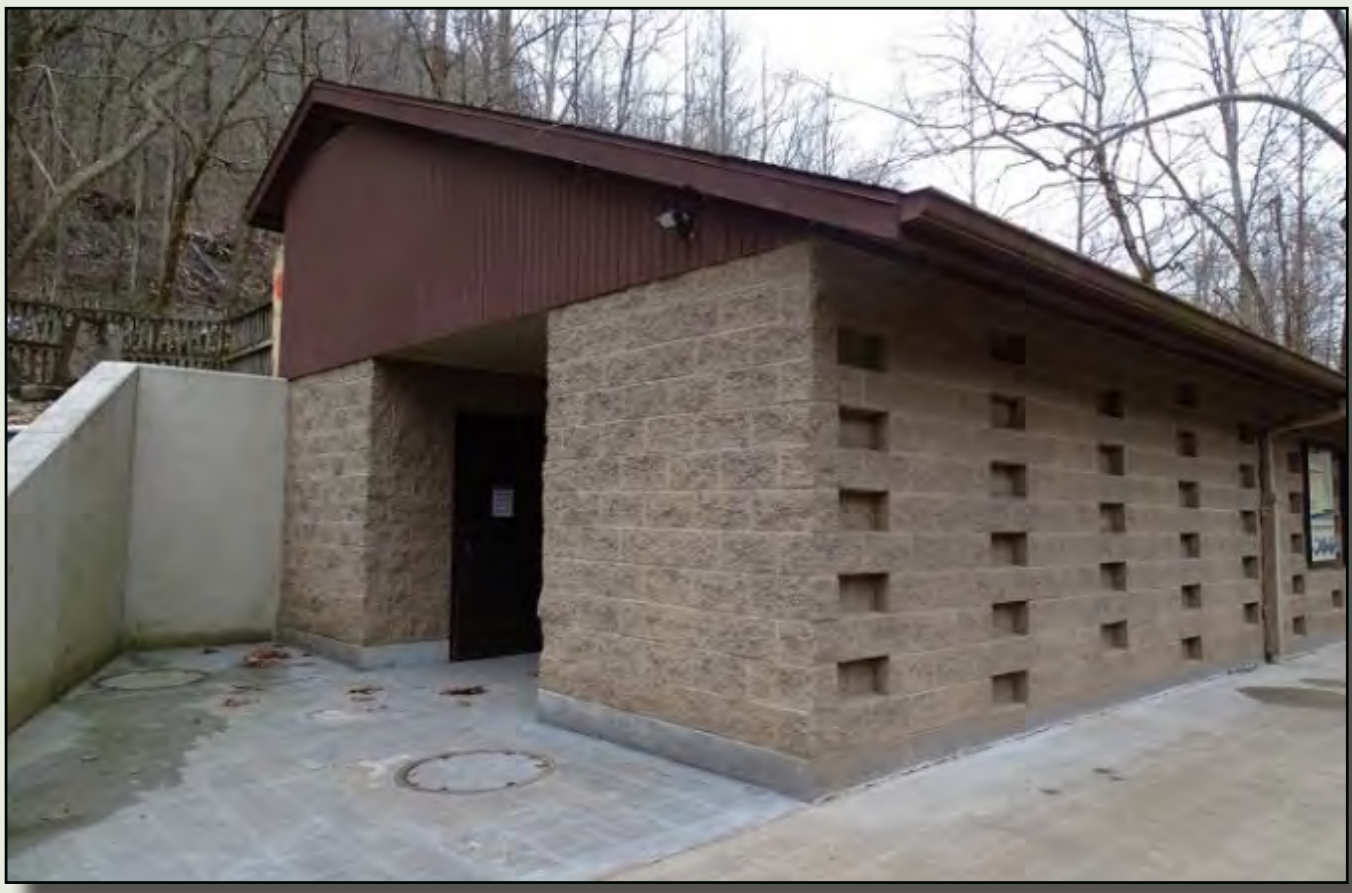
Proposed Restroom Upgrades



Grandview Playground Area



Fayette Station



Cunard

Proposed Wastewater Treatment and Water System Upgrades



Sandstone Visitor Center



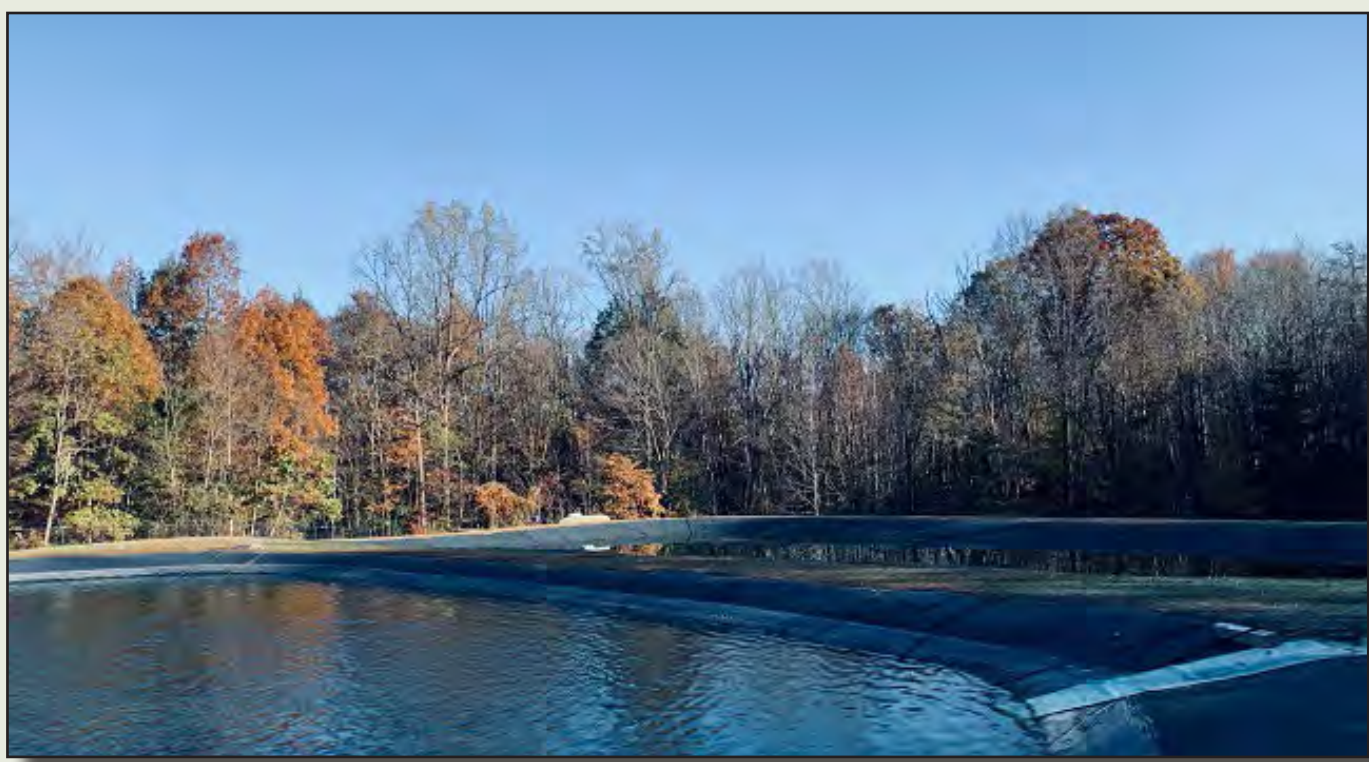
Thurmond



Canyon Rim Visitor Center



Grandview (multiple locations)



Burnwood



Dun Glen



Cultural Resource Projects in the Park
Present and Future

The park is involved in a variety of projects preserving cultural resources and features within historic areas. Some are happening now, some are soon to be funded, and others are being submitted for future possible funding.

Historic Buildings



Refinish Doors, Windows, and Exterior Paint on Historic Thurmond Depot



Rehabilitate Historic Glen Jean Bank Building

Historic Features



Stabilize and Restore Historic Coke Ovens at Nuttallburg



Prevent Collapse of Historic Coke Ovens at Rush Run and Red Ash



Repair and Stabilize Historic Bridge Trellis' along the Rend Trail



Develop an Historic District Cultural Landscape Report and Treatment Plan for Thurmond



Develop Plan for the 821 Step Staircase and Ruins in the Kaymoor Historic District

- Additional Planned Projects
- Thurmond First Baptist Church Stabilization
 - Trump-Lily Farmhouse Stabilization
 - Historic Kaymoor Top, Bench, and Ruins Stabilization
 - Sewell Coal Mining Complex Determination of Eligibility
 - Grandview Determination of Eligibility and National Register Submission