## Yoho National Park, British Columbia Elizabeth Parker Hut

## HERITAGE CHARACTER STATEMENT

The Elizabeth Parker Hut was built in 1919 by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. It was later taken over by Parks Canada and operated as a hiker's hut by the Alpine Club of Canada. See FHBRO Building Report 87-18.

## **Reasons for Designation**

The Elizabeth Parker Hut was designated Recognized on the basis of its link with the history of mountaineering in the Canadian West. Designed to blend with the natural setting, Elizabeth Parker Hut is representative of the small traditional log cabin built in Canadian National Parks in the early 1900s.

## **Character Defining Elements**

The heritage character is determined by the form, construction technique and materials of the cabin.

The cleanly peeled log, the corner saddle-notching, the chinking highlighted as horizontal white accents and the windows and doors framed with milled lumber painted a red ochre hue contribute to the heritage character. Reinstatement of the cedar shingle roof would enhance the building's appearance.

Maintenance and repair should respect the existing vernacular architectural vocabulary and materials.

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