

## OREGON COMMISSION ON HISTORIC CEMETERIES HISTORIC CEMETERY SUBMISSION FORM

Name on Cemetery Sign, if any: <b>Smith Jackson &amp; Sublette Burial Site</b>		Legal Name, if different:	
Other Known Names: <b>Umpqua Massacre, Smith Massacre</b>		Primary County: <b>Douglas</b>	
Physical Address, if any: <b>Intersection of Lower Smith River Road and Stables Road</b>		Nearest City/Town/Community: <b>Reedsport</b>	Zip Code: <b>97467</b>
Directions from Nearest Community: (Indicate county road numbers, key landmarks, signage, distance from nearest road, etc.) <b>North 1.5 miles from Reedsport on Hwy 101 to Lower Smith River Road; turn right 1/2 mile to Stables Road entrance</b>			
Township: <b>21 S.</b>	Range: <b>12 W.</b>	Section: <b>26</b>	1/4 Section: <b>SE</b>
Lat/Long: <b>43.717117 -124.090844</b>		Tax Lot #: <b>N/A</b>	
National Register Listed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown			
Public Accessibility (select only one): <input type="checkbox"/> By permission only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted Access <input type="checkbox"/> Inaccessible		Accessible by (select the primary access method): <input type="checkbox"/> Foot <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Not Accessible <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Year Cemetery Officially Established	Currently perform burials? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Earliest Known Burial Date: <b>October 28, 1828</b>	Latest Known Burial Date <b>October 28, 1828</b>
Has the Cemetery ever been relocated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Date:		Approximate Size of Cemetery: <b>.25 acres</b>	Number of Acres: <b>.25 acres</b>
General Condition of Cemetery of Gravesite: <input type="checkbox"/> Well Maintained <input type="checkbox"/> Marginally Maintained <input type="checkbox"/> Not Maintained <input type="checkbox"/> Overgrown, easily identifiable <input type="checkbox"/> Overgrown, not identifiable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not identifiable as a burial site, but known to exist through traditional or other means (explain) <b>Historical records from 1828; Survey records from 1856; Pollard 1944 OHQ article (submitted)</b>			

<b>Regarding Gravestones and Markers:</b>			
Approximate number of gravestones or markers: <b>0 or 1</b>		Are markers and stones in their original locations? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
Give approximate number of gravestones and/or markers in each category. Inscriptions Readable: _____ Inscriptions Unreadable: _____ Intact and Standing: _____ Toppled: _____ Broken but Standing: _____ Fragments on Ground: _____ Damaged Surfaces: _____ Stones/Markers Missing: _____			
Any signs of Vandalism or Intentional Damage? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure		Have repairs been attempted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure If yes, when?	
Repair Methods Used: <input type="checkbox"/> Adhesives <input type="checkbox"/> Metal Supports <input type="checkbox"/> Coatings <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Pins/Bolts <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown			

<b>Design Character of Cemetery:</b>	
Materials of which markers are made: <input type="checkbox"/> Stone <input type="checkbox"/> Marble <input type="checkbox"/> Slate <input type="checkbox"/> Granite <input type="checkbox"/> Wood <input type="checkbox"/> Metal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (list)	
<b>There are no markers except for an interpretive sign a few miles away</b>	
Decorative Carvings and Sculptural Forms Found on Markers: <input type="checkbox"/> Angels <input type="checkbox"/> Lambs <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Symbols <input type="checkbox"/> Draperies <input type="checkbox"/> Urns <input type="checkbox"/> Plant and Flower Symbols <input type="checkbox"/> Architectural Forms <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list)	



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**Design Character of Cemetery: (cont.)**

Structures: Describe architectural features such as crypts or mausoleums, any distinctive elements such as ornamental fences, paved walkways, brickwork, decorative ironwork, sculptures, fountains, roads, boundary fences, buildings or signage.  
This site was ignored and paved over during road construction. Portions were used by previous owner, International Paper Company, as a dump for their Gardner mill waste.

Terrain:            Level            Hilly - Moderate            Steep    Other (describe)

Bounded by:            Fence            Wall            Hedge            Other (describe)  
Lower Smith River Road, Stables Road, and tidewater.

Landscaping: Describe any traditional landscaping, historic plants and shrubbery, exceptional trees, etc., the cemetery contains.  
Road construction that ignored the burials, for which no commemorative plantings or known memorials exist.

Does the cemetery provide habitat for native birds and other wildlife? Describe any native plants and the types of birds and other wildlife present.  
The area is teeming with wildlife, but pavement limits direct use.



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History of Cemetery: (Submit additional pages, if desired)
List any individuals significant in state or local history buried there: Fifteen people were killed at the site, but only 11 bodies were recovered and buried. It is probable that journalist Harrison Rogers and free Black trapper Peter Ranne are buried there. All 15 are intended to be listed on a memorial plaque that is proposed for the location.
Describe any specific burials or sections of ethnic, religious, racial or other populations under documented in Oregon history: The burial was organized by expedition leader Jedediah Smith, who was known for "always carrying a Bible" and being very religious, and Hudsons Bay Company (HBC) employees led by Alexander Roderick McLeod, who were known for their strong Catholic beliefs.
Was this cemetery associated or have burials with specific groups such as I.O.O.F., Masonic Lodge, labor organizations, etc.? All -- with possible exception of an Indian slave boy who may or may not have been killed -- were employees of Smith Jackson & Sublette (SJ&S), often informally called the Rocky Mountain Fur Company.
Describe any unusual features or historic incidents of interest: These deaths were a direct result of the July 14, 1828 "Umpqua Massacre," which has also been known as the "Smith Massacre." The burials were the first historical meeting of the British (HBC), Americans
What is the most urgent need for care of this cemetery, if any? A memorial marker recognizing its existence.

Cemetery Contact Information:	
Cemetery Ownership Type: (select only one) <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Family (list below) <input type="checkbox"/> Church (list below) <input type="checkbox"/> Lodge or Fraternal Order <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list below)	Is the cemetery a trust or non-profit? <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit
Contact Person or Organization for Cemetery, if any: Jedediah Smith Society	This Contact is: <input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Contact for access
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