

Small-Scale Features - Summit

The Summit's small-scale features are located in two main areas: the Plaza at the south end of the Main Prison, and the balcony and north terrace at the north end of the Main Prison. They consist of: terrace paving, lawn, steps and railings, time capsule and flagstaff at the Plaza; the original decorative concrete railings and security fences on the balcony, and remnant catwalk tower footings on the north terrace.

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<i>Feature (Type)</i>	<i>Bldg #</i>	<i>Figure #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Main Prison Plaza			Plaza between Prison and Lighthouse	
Terrace Paving with railings SR39 and SR40	1	3-54 3-55	Concrete Paving South of the Main Entrance to the Prison Building. SR39 and SR40 are non-historic metal pipe railings	Paving: Fair Railings: Good, Non-historic
Lawn	1	3-54	Blue Grass lawn south of Terrace Paving	Good
Steps with railing SR38	1	3-56	Concrete steps at south edge of plaza	Fair
Time Capsule	1	3-57	Near flagstaff at southwest end of lawn. Buried in concrete block with interpretive sign just east of capsule	Good
Flagstaff	1	3-57, 3-27	Metal flagpole with concrete foundation at southwest end of lawn.	Good
Stairs from Lighthouse to Upper West Road		3-58	Concrete Stairs from Lighthouse to Upper West Road	Stairs: Good
Balcony at north end of Main Prison (Employee Smoking area) with railings: SR45, SR50, and SR51	68	3-59 3-60	Balcony off of north end of Main Prison bordered by the Stockade/Recreation Yard Wall to the west, and decorative concrete railing SR45 to the north and east. SR45 is an original decorative concrete railing SR50 is a replacement security fence from the Federal era. SR51 is a historic security fence from the Federal Penitentiary period	SR45: Poor SR50: Good SR51: Poor

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Stairs from Sentry Catwalk to Morgue with MBSF13		3-61	Concrete Stairs south of Morgue connecting Main Road to Sentry Catwalk along Stockade/Recreation Yard Wall with metal security fence MBSF13	Stairs: Good MBSF13: Poor
North Terrace		3-62		
Catwalk Footings-South		3-62, 3-63	Concrete footings along east side of Concrete Cistern	Fair
Hill Tower Footings		3-62, 3-64	Remnant Concrete footings for Hill Tower located north of Concrete Cistern	Good
Catwalk Footings-North		3-62, 3-65	Remnant Concrete footings located at the base of the slope northwest from Hill Tower footings	Good
SR 36		3-204	Metal Pipe Railing at south edge of North Terrace, at top of escarpment slope	Fair

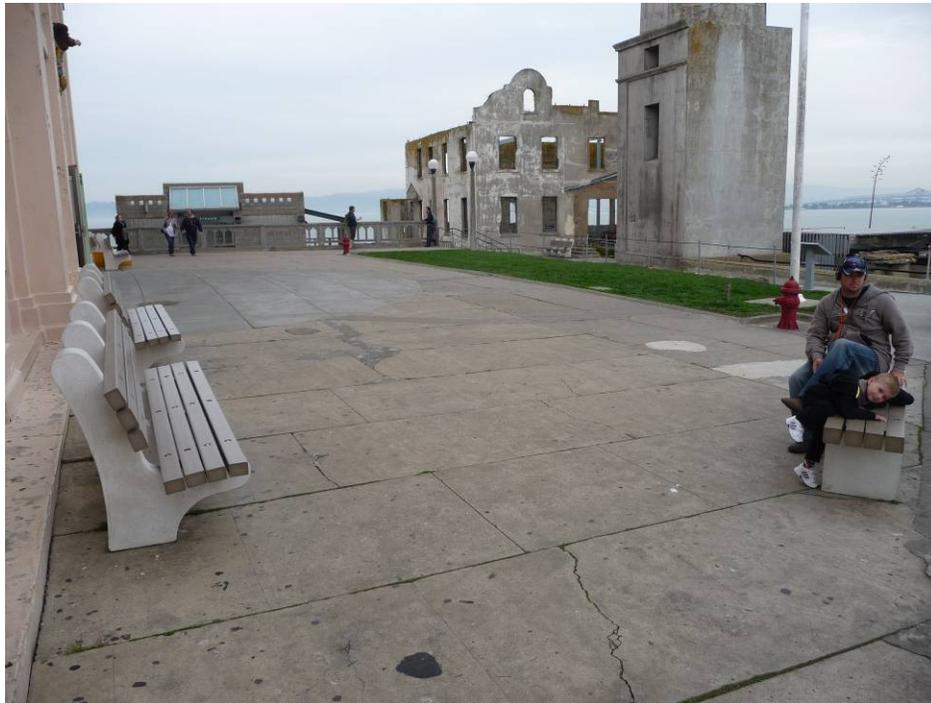


Figure 3 - 54. Main Prison Plaza - paving and lawn, as seen from west side; modern restroom, Warden’s House, and base of Lighthouse in background (P1030904.JPG)



Figure 3 - 55. Pipe handrail (SR39) at west side of Main Prison Plaza at north of Lighthouse (MBD DSC03043.JPG)

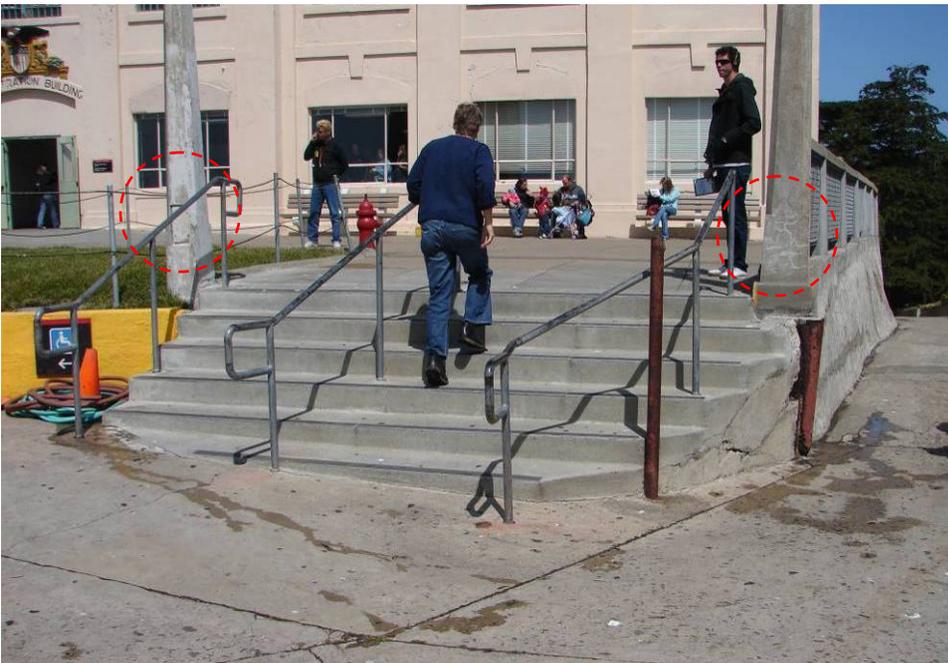


Figure 3 - 56. Concrete steps, handrails (SR38), and light fixtures at entry to Main Prison Plaza near Lighthouse. Light fixture on right is non-historic added by NPS in 1980s, note lack of utility cover plate (MBD DSC03029.JPG)



Figure 3 - 57. Time Capsule, Flagstaff, Interpretive Sign and Lawn at Main Prison Plaza (MBD DSC03039.JPG)

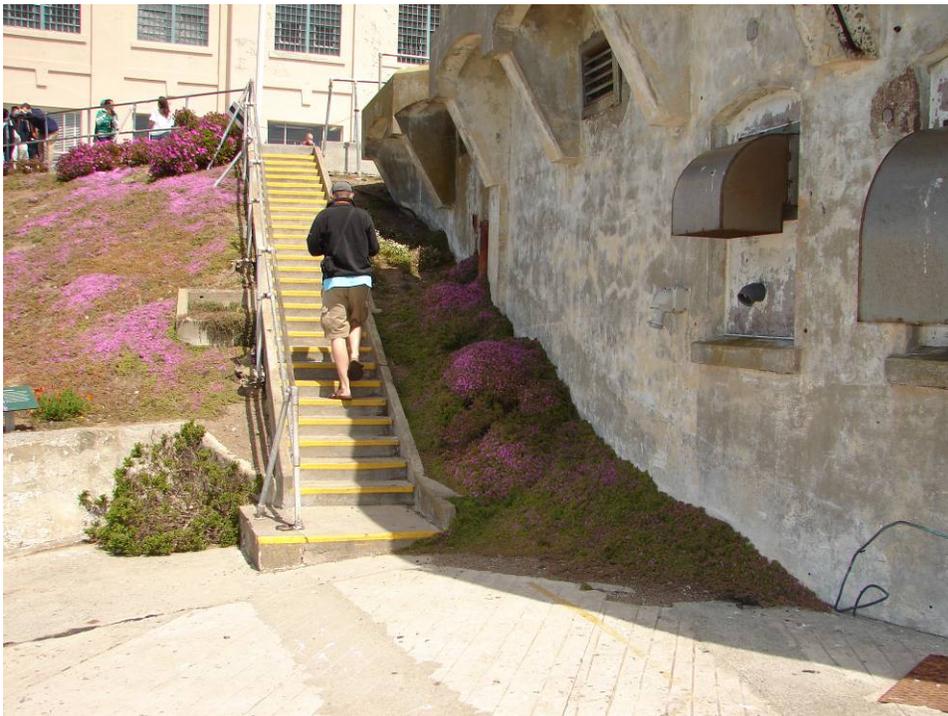


Figure 3 - 58. Stairs from Lighthouse to Upper West Road with Metal Pipe Railing SR39. (MBD DSC03039.JPG)



Figure 3 - 59. Balcony at north end of Main Prison (looking east) with Federal Prison Metal Fencing SR51 and decorative concrete security railing SR45 (MBD P1010105.JPG)



Figure 3 - 60. Balcony at north end of Main Prison (looking south) Alcatraz Federal Prison Metal Fencing SR50 (replacement) and hoisting motor for exterior hospital elevator (MBD P1010117.JPG)



Figure 3 - 61. Stairs from Sentry Catwalk to Morgue with Federal Prison Metal Fencing MBSF13 and Firebox #5 looking west from Main Road. (MBD P1000477.JPG)

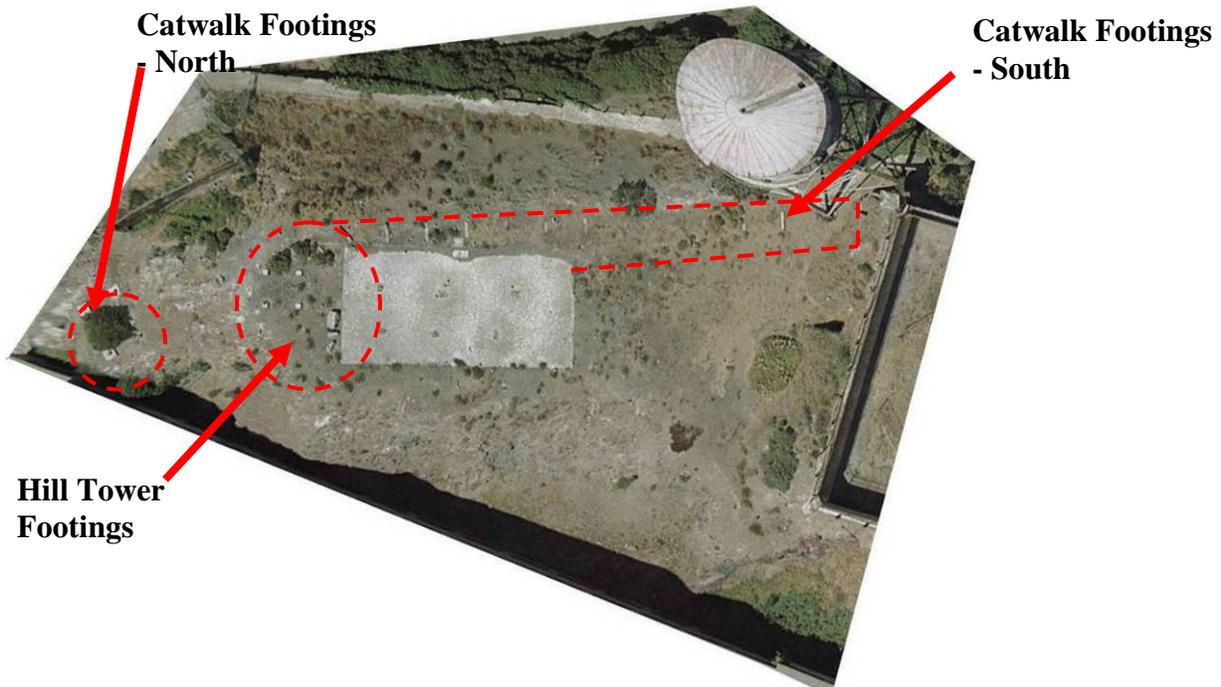


Figure 3 - 62. Aerial View of North Terrace with Catwalk Footings – West (far left of photo) and Hill Tower Footings (left of Concrete Cistern). The Concrete Cistern, Catwalk Footings – East, Water Tower and north edge of Recreation Yard are also pictured (Photo Courtesy of Parks Conservancy (North Terrace.jpg))



Figure 3 - 63. Catwalk Footings – South on North Terrace of Summit (MBD DSC03128.JPG)



Figure 3 - 64. Hill Tower Footings North of Concrete Cistern (MBD P1020946.JPG)



Figure 3 - 65. Catwalk Footings – North at north end of Summit’s north Terrace
(MBD P1020948.JPG)

Vegetation - Summit

Vegetation in the Summit area consists of the lawn at the Main Prison Plaza (included in the Small Scale Feature Table: 5), plantings along the east side of the Main Prison and the Warden’s House Garden.

Table 6: Vegetation - Summit - Figure 3-69

<i>Feature (Type)</i>	<i>Bldg #</i>	<i>Figure #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Plantings on East Side of Main Prison	68	3-66	Contemporary plantings along east side of Main Prison. Species include: bearded Iris, <i>Crocasmia</i> , <i>Agapanthus</i> , and daffodils.	Good, Non-historic
Warden’s House Garden	76	3-67	Area adjacent to Main Road (West) is well maintained. Greenhouse foundations exist in front (Species include <i>Agave americana</i>). Area east of building remnants is unstable and overgrown.	West: Good Foundations: Good East: Poor
Lawn at Main Prison Plaza	68	3-54	Blue Grass lawn south of Terrace Paving	Good
Vegetation West of Main Prison	68	3-68	Grasses and Shrubs west of Main Prison near Plaza (Species include <i>Rosa ‘Felicite et Perpetue’</i> and <i>Vinca major</i>)	Fair



Figure 3 - 66. Contemporary plantings along east side of Main Prison from near Warden’s Office entrance looking north. (MBD IMG_4153.JPG)



Figure 3 - 67. Warden's House greenhouse foundation and garden (MBD IMG_2898.JPG)



Figure 3 - 68. Vegetation west of Main Prison near Plaza (MBD P1030907.JPG)

Archeological – Summit

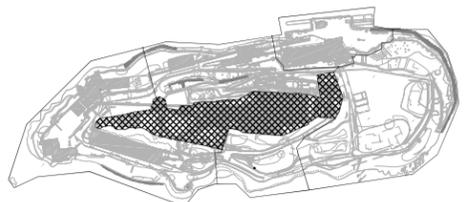
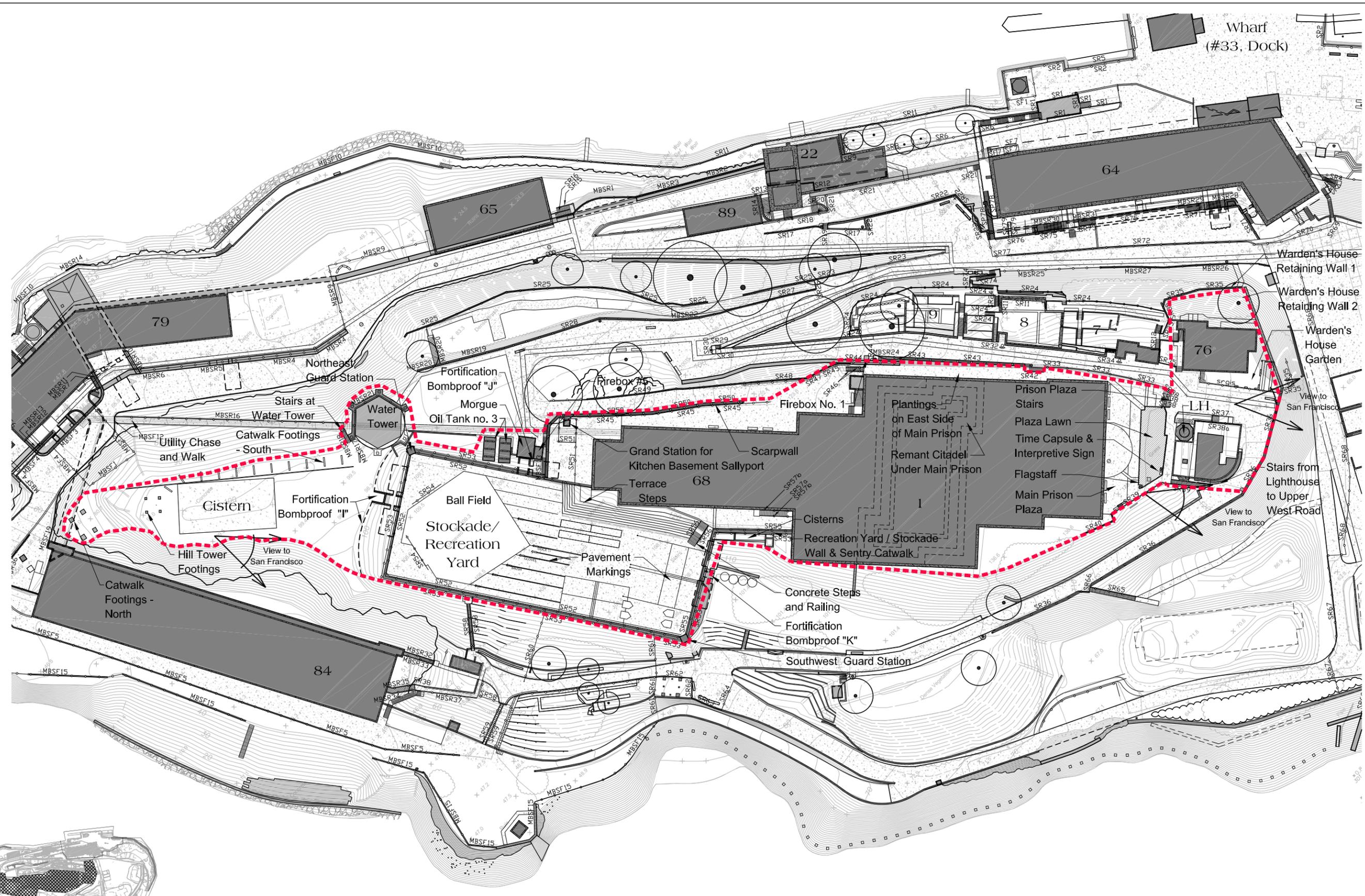
The archeological features of the Summit consist of: potential buried remnant buildings and structures and evidence of the Battle of Alcatraz. The buildings and structures addressed in the table are: the Original (1854) Lighthouse, the Citadel Garden, Temporary Batteries, Traverse Tunnels and Bombproofs, and Battery Mansfield (c1867).

Table 7: Archeological – Summit – Figure 3-70

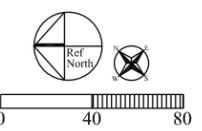
<i>Feature</i>	<i>ASMIS #</i>	<i>Barker Inv #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Original Lighthouse (1854)	GOGA 00244	48	(Kelly 1981:2-2, Category; Barker 2009) Possibly under Main Prison Plaza on site of original Lighthouse	Undetermined
Citadel Garden	GOGA 00261	67	(Lehman,Barker) Capped primary and secondary deposits beneath Cellhouse	Undetermined
Soils around Warden’s House (Bldg 76)	GOGA 00217	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys falling to road below on east (Barker 2009) • Eroding slope on Escarpment 	Undetermined
Warden’s Garden Remnants (Bldg 76)	GOGA 00217	17	(Barker 2008)	Undetermined
Open Slope/Cliff behind Warden’s House (Bldg 76)	GOGA 00300	106	(Barker 2009:106) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remnant Stairs 	Undetermined
Bakery, Bowling Alley, Possible Garden Remnants	GOGA 00219	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removed after 1933 (Kelly 1981:2-1, Category 2) 	Undetermined
Temporary Battery-Single Navy 68-pounder	GOGA 00270	76	(Thompson 1979:27) Located on the NW peak of the island, according to an 1854 map by Tower.	Undetermined
Temporary Battery-(2) 24-pounder siege guns	GOGA 00271	77	(Thompson 1979:27) Located on the SE peak of the island, according to a 1854 map by Tower.	Undetermined
Battle of Alcatraz	GOGA 00290	96	Multiple locations on and in Cellhouse (prison), select locations and positions outside, May 2-4, 1946.	Undetermined
Traverse Tunnels and Bombproofs-Stockade/Recreation Yard	GOGA 00291	97	(Kelly 1976:66;1981:1-2, Category 1) Traverse Tunnels demolished and filled with dirt and rocks – c1910	Undetermined

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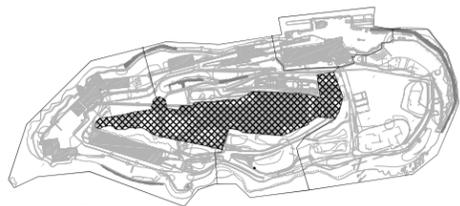
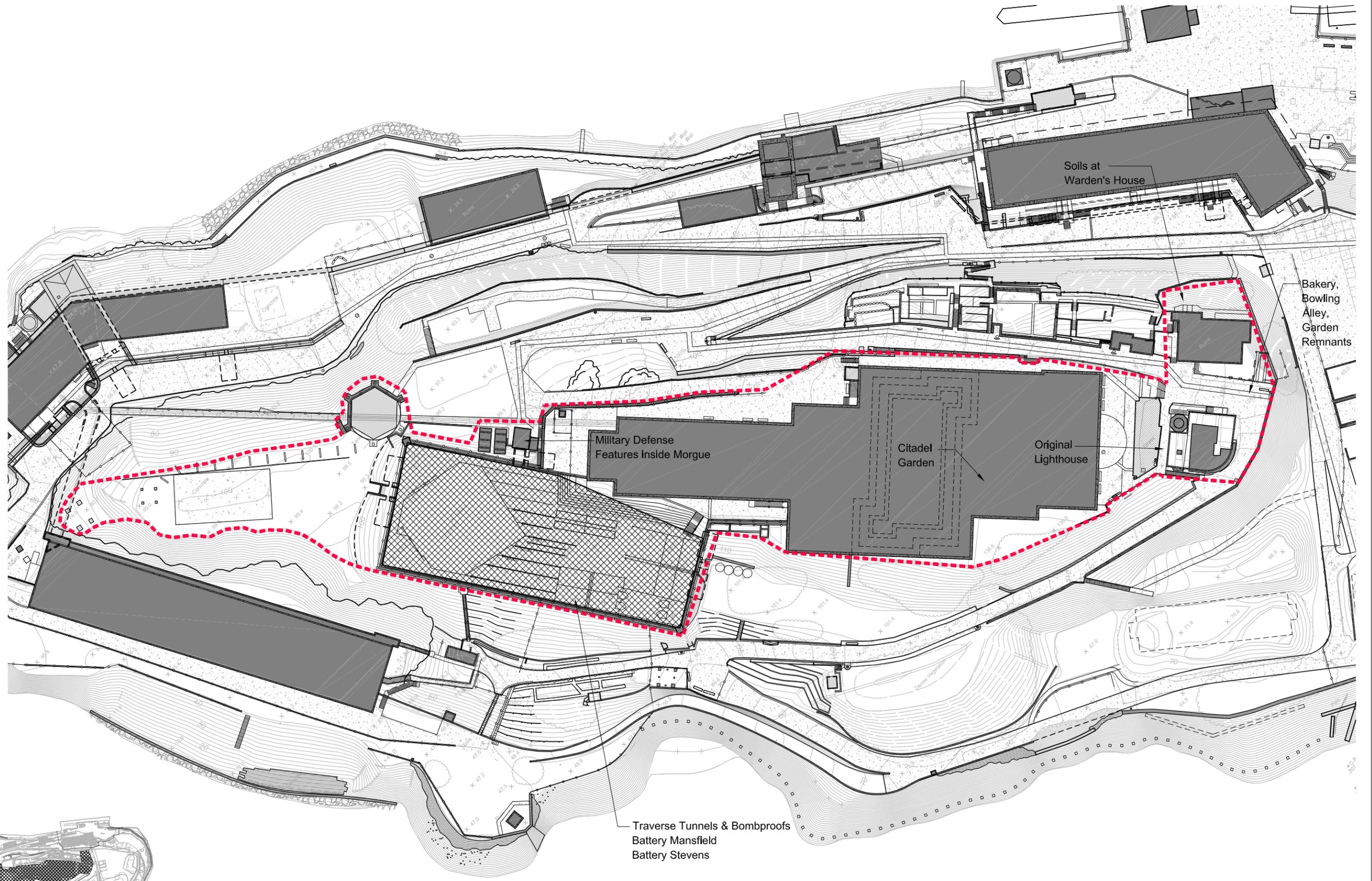
<i>Feature</i>	<i>ASMIS #</i>	<i>Barker Inv #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Battery Mansfield (Battery V)	GOGA 00292	98	(Kelly 1981:1-2, Category 1; Thompson 1979: Map 9 and Historical Base Map 1 (1867)) Post 1867, a substantial eastern earthwork is built at Battery Mansfield – covered by the Stockade/Recreation Yard by 1912 – all closed by that time – cistern constructed in central area between earthworks (but later their removal).	Undetermined
Battery Stevens (Battery VI, VII)	GOGA 00293	99	(Kelly 1981:1-2, Category 1; Thompson 1979: Map 9 and Historical Base Map 1 (1867)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located on the west side of the island, sloping SW from the current location of the South Wall of the Stockade/Recreation Yard. 	Undetermined
Military Defense Features inside Morgue	GOGA 00222	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Powder magazines, eastern traverse tunnel entry to Battery Mansfield and Battery Stevens • Possible historic material beneath floors • Possible historic materials on outside edges of traverse tunnel entrance (Kelly 1976:6-66; Barker 2009) 	Undetermined



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<p>FIGURE 3-69</p> <p>UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR</p> <p>NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA</p>		<p>TITLE OF PROJECT CULTURAL LANDSCAPE REPORT EXISTING CONDITIONS</p> <p>TITLE OF DRAWING SUMMIT CHARACTER AREA</p> <p>NAME OF PARK ALCATRAZ ISLAND NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK</p> <p>REGION: PACIFIC COUNTY: SAN FRANCISCO STATE: CALIFORNIA</p>
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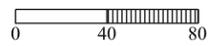
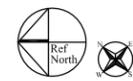


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Existing Conditions Assessment - Wharf

The Wharf (Figure 3-94, 3-95) is the main entry for Alcatraz Island. The Dock Tower defines the northern edge of the character area and Prison Cyclone Fencing SF2 defines the south edge and includes the amphitheater. The Wharf also includes Building 64 and the terrace on its west side, ending at Prison Cyclone Fencing SR72.

Spatial Organization, Topography, View and Vistas - Wharf

The Wharf’s interior space is defined on the west by the Building 64, and on the south by the amphitheater. Its eastern side is secured by a security railing lining the seawall and dock. The Wharf is a level plateau paved with concrete. There are uninterrupted views to Angel Island, Berkeley and East Bay.

The Wharf includes the area known as “Chinatown,” behind Building 64. Chinatown runs along the west fortification wall. Granite steps lead to metal grates that allow access to the building’s second and third levels. A flight of stairs on the north side of the Barracks accesses the terrace on the west side of the building, which is enclosed on the west by a security fence.

Table 8: Spatial Organization, Topography, Views and Vistas - Wharf - Figure 3-94

<i>Feature</i>	<i>Bldg #</i>	<i>Figure #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Wharf	33	3-71	Concrete paving framed by piers, Defensive Barracks, and Terraced Steps	Fair
Plaza West of Building 64	64	3-72	Concrete plaza located between the west wall of Chinatown and security fencing SR 72. Plaza is level with Barracks between the barracks third and fourth floors	
View to Bay Bridge	33	3-73	View to Bay Bridge from south edge of Wharf	Fair
View to East Bay	33	3-74	View to East Bay from east edge of Wharf near restroom	Good
View to Summit	33	3-75	View to Summit from east of Amphitheater steps	Good



Figure 3 - 71. Aerial view of Wharf, current day (Alcatraz-aerial_rotated_wharf.JPG)



Figure 3 - 72. Concrete plaza between west wall of Chinatown and security fencing SR72 (MBDP1010317.jpg)



Figure 3 - 73. View to Bay Bridge from south edge of Wharf (MBD P1020819.jpg)



Figure 3 - 74. View to East Bay from east edge of Wharf (MBD P1020820.jpg)



Figure 3 - 75. View to Summit from east of Amphitheater steps (MBD P1020817.jpg)

Buildings - Wharf

The dominate building on the Wharf is Building 64. It has a total of four floors, the first level’s façade being an original fortification wall. The entrance to the Bombproof Barracks (lowest level of Building 64) is on its east façade, and provides access to the interior interpretive areas. Just north of the building is an additional entrance that allows access to the tunnel to the back of the building, the area known as “Chinatown” along the west side of the building. The other buildings on the Wharf are a one-story restroom built by the NPS in 1999 in Mission Revival-style, and a Gift Shop operated by the GGNPC, and NPS Ranger Office that abuts the east side of the Barracks.

Table 9: Buildings - Wharf - Figure 3-94

<i>Feature</i>	<i>Bldg #</i>	<i>Figure #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Condition</i>
Building 64	64	3-76	Fortified first floor brick and concrete building.	Good
Gift Shop/ Maintenance Garage	64	3-77	Rehabilitated by NPS in 2001 for use as bookstore and gift shop	Good
Ranger Office	64	3-78	Built by U.S. Army as vehicle shed Partially converted by BOP into dock security office Modified by NPS twice (Martini)	Good
Restroom (1985)		3-79	One-story, Mission Revival-style restroom building added by NPS, located toward north end of Wharf in previous location of Pumphouse.	Good
Entrance to Bombproof Barracks (Chinatown)		3-80 3-81 3-82	Behind Building 64 Two levels of rooms used as storerooms and latrines. Subway is accessed from Main Road at northwest corner of Barracks through a brick archway Original Fortification Wall lines the west edge of entrance Original granite stairs access at the north and south edge of the entrance access the plaza area at the back of the Barracks. Metal Grates allow access to the second and third levels of the Barracks Storerooms now used as exhibit space	Good



Figure 3 - 76. Building 64 as viewed from; the Main Prison, Warden's House and Lighthouse in background. First floor of Building 64 is the 1860s Fortification Wall.(MBD DSC02907.JPG)

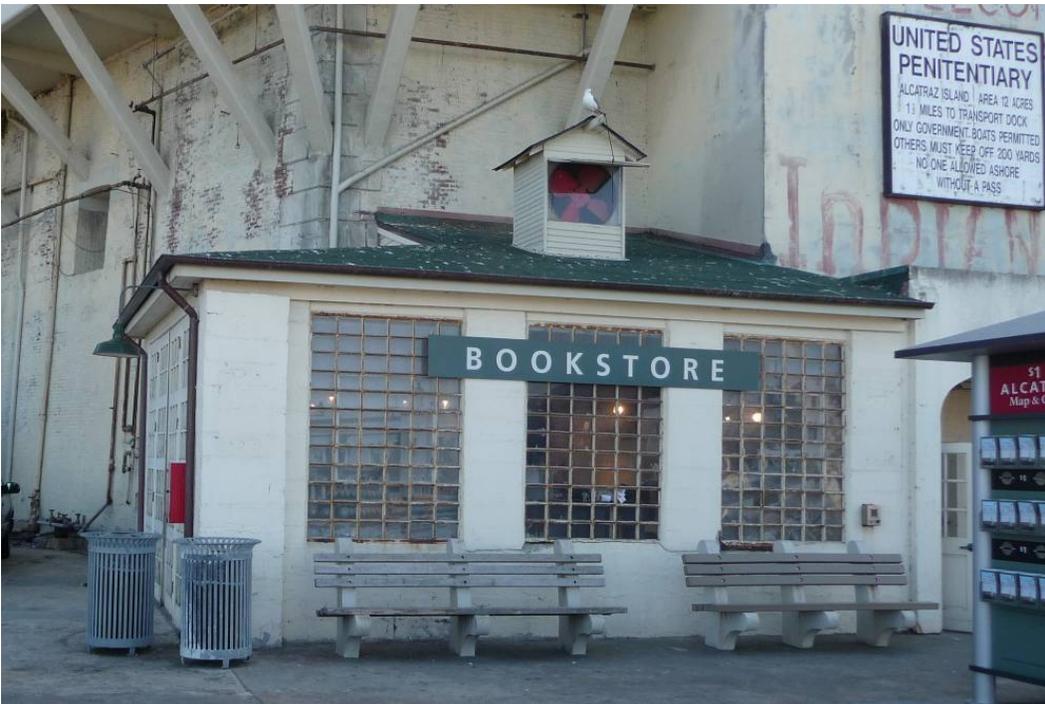


Figure 3 - 77. Maintenance Garage on Wharf at south end of Building 64 (MBD P1000881.JPG)



Figure 3 - 78. Ranger Dock Office and vehicle shed on Wharf (MBD P1000895.JPG)



Figure 3 - 79. Modern restroom on Wharf; Building 64 on left (MBD P1000886.JPG)



Figure 3 - 80. Entrance tunnel (Subway) to Bombproof Barracks (Brick 1st Floor of Building 64) and Chinatown at north end of building (MBD DSC03355.JPG)



Figure 3 - 81. Chinatown and grates above, first level as seen from south end (MBD DSC03325.JPG)



Figure 3 - 82. Bombproof Barracks (Brick 1st Floor of Building 64) Fortification Wall and Granite Staircase (MBD DSC03329.JPG)