



**Kake Cannery National Historic Landmark
Kake, Alaska**

Located in Southeast Alaska, the Kake Cannery began canning operations in 1912. Village residents and local fishermen supplied the cannery with pink and chum salmon, while multi-ethnic laborers helped clean and butcher the catch. In 1949 the Organized Village of Kake, under the Indian Reorganization Act, acquired the cannery in trust through the U.S. Government. At its peak, the cannery was the heartbeat of the community, with virtually all residents a part of it in some fashion. Thanks to stabilization and rehabilitation efforts by tribal staff and other preservation professionals, the cannery buildings can be adapted for new use and facilitate economic development in the Kake area. Historic American Engineering Record documentation illustrates the cannery buildings and their role in the canning process, as well as the fishing methods and technologies developed during the peak of the industry.