FINDING AID

NPS Yosemite Old Central Files Collection
1851-1994 (bulk dates: 1920-1956)

Photograph from OCFC, circa 1927

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HISTORY

The Yosemite Old Central Files Collection (OCFC) depicts early park operations and reflects some of the trends and momentous changes in the management of Yosemite National Park and of the National Park Service as an agency from its inception until c. 1950. The documentation exposes the origin of Yosemite’s management strategies—particularly regarding natural & cultural resources, construction & development, concessionaire partnerships & visitor use, and interpretation & education methodologies—and reflects the early history one of the world’s first national parks.

The first effort to set aside Yosemite as a protected area occurred on June 30, 1864, when President Abraham Lincoln signed a bill creating the Yosemite Grant. Carved from California state lands, the Grant was initially ceded back to the state for management. This act marks the first federally mandated instance that land was set aside specifically for conservation efforts and public use, and set a precedent for the 1872 creation of Yellowstone as the nation’s first national park. In response to growing conservation concerns in the years following, Congress established Yosemite National Park on October 1, 1890. Beginning in 1891, the U.S. Army’s Fourth Cavalry Regiment administered the new national park. Yet despite the park’s formation based on the boundaries delegated by original Yosemite Grant, the State of California retained control and oversight of the Yosemite Valley and of the Mariposa Grove. In 1906, Congress and President Theodore Roosevelt enacted legislation incorporating both Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Grove under the control of the U.S. Army. The Fourth Cavalry Regiment eventually passed administrative responsibility to the National Park Service (NPS) after Congress created the agency in 1916.

The Yosemite National Park Old Central Files Collection consists of a variety of materials created, received, and managed by the National Park Service as the park “central files” from the parks origin until circa 1950. These documents are fundamental program records that contain critical information regarding the administration and management of the park over time, including the establishment of park policies and planning efforts. The OCFC is organized following the original *Filing Scheme of the National Park Service*, a Dewey decimal based coding system that was implemented in 1925. Records created prior to 1925 were integrated into the new Dewey decimal central file coding system by park staff. These numeric decimal codes designate functional record series reflecting fundamental park operations including History & Legislation, Administration & Personnel, Budget Bureau, Supplies and Equipment, Publicity, Lands & Development, Natural and Cultural Resources, Interpretation & Other Services, and Concessionaires.

In the 1930s, a series of acts governing the National Archives and Federal Records Center (FRC) resulted in the transferring of records to one central branch records center in San Bruno, CA. By the 1950s, the DO-19 alphanumeric code system replaced the original Dewey decimal code system as the primary filing schedule, and official park correspondence was done in triplicate. Extra copies were often sent to the Pacific West Regional Office (PWRO) and the Washington Support Office (WASO). Yosemite records sent to WASO have been transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) at College Park, Maryland, and contain documentation that is not located on site at Yosemite. The Yosemite Archives has primarily received these records in two ways: through return of materials stored at the FRC at San Bruno,
CA, and through direct transfer of inactive records from staff managing the central files at the park. The bulk of the records were returned to the park from the FRC between 1976 and 1991, but park Museum and Archives staff also received accessions directly from the park Mail & Files Clerk in 1976 (specifically File Code 660-05 – Water Supply, General). The majority of these records were kept in the Yosemite Valley Museum & Library Building until they were transferred to the new archives facility at the El Portal Administrative Site in the early 2000s.

However, the records are not complete. Because these files were originally governed by an internal records disposition schedule, a time frame delineated how long certain materials must be retained. As a result, records deemed by the park staff to have historical significance were sent to the Yosemite Research Library while many others were either destroyed or sent to the FRC in San Bruno, CA. In 2007, records were retrieved from the Research Library and rejoined with the larger record group already in the Archives. Although some file unit titles in the record group are designated “temporary” according to the *Filing Scheme of the National Park Service*, these folders contain important archival information – primarily due to their informational, evidential, and/or intrinsic value – and will be permanently preserved. Yosemite Archives Staff completed processing and cataloging of an accretion to the collection in 2012.

For the 2014 Accretion found in Series XII, these records were received from the Interpretation and Education Division in 1988 and stored in the Museum attic until 2007, when they were transferred to the Archives in El Portal in association with unprocessed Interpretation and Education Division records. The records address the history and development of the Yosemite Museum and the work of park naturalists from the early 1920s through the end of the 1940s, with a few documents dated into the early 1960s. They appear to have been removed from their original context within Old Central Files for reference and research and held separately for many years. In order to maintain the original context of these records as well as their arrangement as received into the archive, a separate subseries has been created with folders arranged according to the Old Central File code. Notations have been added to the finding aid where individual folders from this subseries would have originally been included.
SCOPE AND CONTENT

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<td>DESCRIPTION</td>
<td>The Old Central Files Collection (OCFC) span from the late 1800’s through circa 1950. The collection is comprised of 40 linear feet (80 boxes) of material revealing the management strategies and interactions of Yosemite National Park in the early 20th century. Materials range from general correspondence and memoranda to construction permits/plans and search &amp; rescue reports. The OCFC contains material produced by Yosemite National Park which illuminates various aspects of park operations during the early 20th century including personnel activities, budget and hiring authorities, interpretation &amp; education methodologies, concessionaire partnerships (Yosemite Stage and Turnpike Company, Best’s Studio, Pillsbury Pictures, Yosemite Park &amp; Curry Company, etc.), transportation/construction contractors and projects (Yosemite Valley Railroad Company), natural and cultural resource management, and scientific research in Yosemite National Park. A majority of the documents in the collection are inter-office and inter-agency correspondence and memoranda that led to decisions in the National Park Service. Yosemite construction projects and development plans are found in the OCFC, most of which have accompanying oversize blueprints and photographic documentation. Charts and graphs illustrate park field operations, specifically documenting field research requests and subsistence programs. Publicity efforts, particularly partnerships with media and transportation outlets like the American Automobile Association (AAA) and the Yosemite Valley Railroad Company, are prevalent throughout the collection. Other records highlighting land management strategies and development plans further expose park operations during its period of establishment. The majority of the material in the</td>
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OCFC dates from 1910-1950.

Material Type: The Old Central Files consist of correspondence, reports, brochures, clippings (information artifacts), telegrams, memorandums, personal papers, office files, black-and-white photographs, color photographs, maps, comprehensive plans, blueprints (reprographic copies), chronologies (lists), application forms, postcards, bar & line graphs, schedules (time plans, records, etc.), conceptual drawings, bulletins, minutes, surveys (documents), topographic surveys, questionnaires, pamphlets, leaflets, publications, legal documents, contracts, ledgers (account books), and notebooks.[Note: The Art & Architecture Thesaurus was used to approve all of the terms listed above.]

Condition Description: There is a significant amount of onionskin paper, acidic paper (telegraphs) and old photographs in the collection. Much of the material is fragile and bound with adhesive or other irremovable attachments. Those items that appear to be most vulnerable or are in need of additional protection have been placed in Mylar enclosures or interleaved with non-acidic archival quality paper to prevent deterioration and acid migration. Care when handling this collection is of the utmost importance! [Note: Photographs have been removed from their paper backings for preservation purposes. Photocopies have been made to maintain a record and visual display of the object’s original housing prior to removal. Photographs have since been placed in Mylar sleeves with descriptive original text placed on the back. Some photographs were unable to be removed without potentially damaging the material in which case they were housed in Mylar enclosures in their original form.]

**ORGANIZATION**

Divided into 12 series and arranged according to Dewey Decimal NPS central filing codes, one series of un-coded materials arranged alphabetically, and one series of OCFC records recovered from other collections.

**PROVENANCE**

The Old Central Files Collection (OCFC) came to the Yosemite National Park Museum Branch through 7 separate accessions from the Federal Records Center (FRC) and from Yosemite National Park staff. Beginning in the 1930s, some of the OCFC documents were housed in the FRC in San Bruno, CA. In 1976, many of these materials were transferred back to the Yosemite Research Library and
Museum, specifically accessions YOSE-05238, YOSE-05239, YOSE-05587, the last of which was transferred from the FRC in 1991. One accession, YOSE-05122, was transferred from the Mail & Files Clerk to the Yosemite museum in 1976. The final two accessions, YOSE-05121 acquired in August 1988, and YOSE-07156 acquired in August 2011, were National Park Service field collections. Most materials were transferred to the Yosemite Archives by c. 2005. However 24 linear feet associated with YOSE-07156 were removed from the Yosemite Research Library by Archives staff in 2007 and re-joined with material already housed in the Yosemite Archives OCFC. One LF of research material about the early development of the museum was found within Interpretation and Education Division records and accreted by the archive staff in the summer of 2014.

Accession Descriptions:


- YOSE-05121 – Field Collection, National Park Service; acquisition date: 08/15/88; administrative records

- YOSE-05122 – Field Collection, National Park Service; acquisition date: 08/15/88; Transferred directly from Mail and Files to the museum in 1976

- YOSE-05238 – transferred from General Services Administration Federal Records Center in 1975, sent to museum in 1976; acquisition date: 08/24/1989

- YOSE-05239 – transferred from General Services Administration Federal Records Center in 1976 to museum; acquisition date: 08/24/1989

- YOSE-05587 – transferred from Federal Records Center; acquisition date: 11/14/1991

- YOSE-07156 – Field Collection, National Park Service; acquisition date: 08/10/11; removed from Yosemite Research Library by Archivist Brenna Lissoway, appraisal completed in 2010.

RESTRICTIONS NO
HIERARCHY

SERIES I. Miscellaneous, 1911-1953 (bulk dates: 1934-1953)

   Subseries A. 000 – Yosemite Cooperations, 1925-1929
   Subseries B. 0-5 – Records and Files, 1944-1953
   Subseries C. 0-20.8 – US Geological Survey, 1927-1953

SERIES II. History/Legislation, 1851-1951 (bulk dates: 1911-1950)

   Subseries A. 101 – History, 1848-1964
   Subseries B. 180 – Frank A. Miller, 1912-1914

SERIES III. Administration and Personnel, 1919-1976 (bulk dates: 1928-1959)

   Subseries A. 200-11 – “Know Your Service Bulletins”, 1941
   Subseries B. 201 – Administration (General), 1922-1976 (bulk dates: 1922-1955)
   Subseries C. 207 – Reports, 1906-1960 (bulk dates: 1920-1942)
   Subseries D. 208 – Rules and Regulation, 1919-1953
   Subseries E. 250 – Personnel, 1923-1952
   Subseries F. 252.0041 - Employment, 1906-1947

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SERIES V. Supplies and Equipment, 1942-1952

   Subseries A. 447 – Signs, 1942-1950
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Subseries D.  503- Pictures, 1924-1953 (bulk dates: 1942-1950)

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SERIES VII. Lands and Development, 1910-1964 (bulk dates: 1920-1950)

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Subseries B.  601 – Lands (General), 1921-1961 (bulk dates: 1921-1950)

Subseries C.  602 – Boundaries & Area of Park (General), 1922, 1932, 1933

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Subseries G.  611 – Repairs and Improvements, 1947 March, August

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Subseries M.  650 – Lakes, Rivers, Waterways (General), 1929-1933, 1951

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SERIES VIII. Natural and Cultural Resources, 1908-1961 (bulk dates: 1930-1950)

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Subseries C.  714 – Fishes, 1915, 1944-1956

Subseries E. 731 – Geography, 1930-1953

Subseries F. 732 – Geology, 1933

Subseries G. 740 – Indians (Anthropology), 1933-1944

SERIES IX. Interpretation and Other Services, 1906-1954 (bulk dates: 1924-1954)

Subseries A. 801 – Protection (General), 1925-1952 (bulk dates: 1950-1952)

Subseries B. 833 – Exhibits, 1929-1949

Subseries C. 840 – Educational Activities & Methods (General), 1934, 1949-1952

Subseries D. 843 – Instruction, 1917-1953

Subseries E. 845 – Research (General), 1945 February

Subseries F. 857 – Travel (General), 1914-1945

Subseries G. 865 – [No File Code Association], 1906

Subseries H. 868 – Sports (General), 1931-1932

Subseries I. 869 – Public Utilities (General), 1917-1932

Subseries J. 871 – Associations (Cooperating Agencies – General), 1920-1953

Subseries K. 883 – Forest Protection, 1924-1954

SERIES X. Yosemite Concessioners, 1910-1953

Subseries A. 900 – Yosemite Concessioners (General), 1910-1953 (bulk dates: 1920-1953)

Subseries B. 901 – Privileges & Permits, 1945-1953


SERIES XII. Recovered Files (bulk dates: 1920-1961)

Subseries A. Assorted numbers 101-845 – Early Museum Development
SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

SERIES I. Miscellaneous, 1911-1953 (bulk dates: 1934-1953)

Correspondence, telegrams, reports, memorandums, photographs, maps, pamphlets and newspaper clippings are contained in this series. Correspondence regarding education in the park can be found as well as “Disposal Authority Schedules” for documents/records filed by the park. Material from the US Geological Survey discusses benchmark placements throughout the park, topographic mapping and water gauging/resource charts. The largest subseries contains boundary surveys, annual trail and road reports, and map/brochure development of Devil’s Postpile National Monument.

Series I is arranged numerically into 4 subseries with 12 folders.

Subseries A. 000 – Yosemite Cooperations, 1925-1929

One folder of correspondence addressing education programs in Yosemite National Park.

Subseries B. 0-5 – Records and Files, 1944-1953

Two folders of correspondence establishing the park technique for managing and filing records. ‘Disposal Authority Schedules’ distinguish the timetable utilized by Yosemite National Park in the early 20th century for the disposition schedule for federal records.

Subseries C. 0-20.8 – US Geological Survey, 1927-1953

Three folders of charts, photographs, maps and correspondence regarding benchmark placements, topographic mapping and water gauging throughout Yosemite National Park. Correspondence focuses on the confusion caused by out-of-date maps as well as the eligibility to create new maps of Yosemite National Park.


Six folders of reports, photographs, surveys, brochures and correspondence related to Devil’s Postpile National Monument. Federal real estate forms and boundary surveys are included, as well as information requests for Statistical Tables.

SERIES II. History/Legislation, 1851-1951 (bulk dates: 1911-1950)

18 folders of reports, graphs, correspondence and publications regarding the history of Yosemite National Park from 1851-1951 (bulk dates: 1911-1950). The series is organized into two subseries which include correspondence with the Madera County Board of Supervisors and the Historic Bulletin, membership rosters of the Historic Society, sketches of pioneer cabins, historic graphs and charts of visitation to the park, research requests, and press release information. The series also incorporates biographical accounts of several park Superintendents.
Series II is organized into 2 subseries, and arranged numerically by file code.

Subseries A. 101 – History, 1848-1964

There are 17 folders of general correspondence between Yosemite National Park and the Madera County Board of Supervisors. Topics include the Centennial Celebration, the Historic Bulletin publication, and sketches regarding park early park structures. Notable names and places include the Savage Monument, Superintendent Carl Russell and Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce.

*Additional documents related to this series can be found in Series XI1, subseries A.

The subseries is organized into two sub-subseries: 101-01 – Dedications, and 101-02 – Historical Programs.

Subseries B. 180 – Frank A. Miller, 1912-1914

There is one folder of blueprints and correspondence relating to hotel concessionaire Frank A. Miller. Topics include constructing and maintaining hotels, lease information for hotel privileges, and other hotel rate changes.


One hundred and twelve folders of correspondence, memoranda, minutes, reports, agendas, blueprints, newspaper clippings, sketches, and photographs that outline the administrative actions of Yosemite National Park in the early 20th century. The majority of the content relates to administrative policies, specifically the Yosemite Advisory Board, with a focus on road & trail construction tailored to visitor use. Flood and storm damage reports are also prevalent in the series along with numerous photographs demonstrating damage and recovery efforts for such events.

Other topics include stock grazing, increased visitation response, and aviation regulations. Monthly and annual reports of the Superintendent outline the progress and funding of all departments within the park while similar reports from the Chief Naturalists focus on natural and cultural resource management. Lastly, the series maintains career files on several esteemed contributors to and employees of Yosemite National Park including Frank Ewing, Joseph LeConte, LC Danner, William H. Nelson, Michael Enid, Horace Albright, Forest Townsley, and Gabriel Sovuleski among others.

Series III is organized into 6 subseries and arranged numerically by file code.

*Additional documents related to this series can be found in Series XII, subseries A.

Subseries A. 200-11 – “Know Your Service Bulletins”, 1941

One folder of “Know your Service” Bulletins that provided “brief, essential background
information” on the National Park Service – produced by the Regional Office.

**Subseries B. 201 – Administration (General), 1922-1976 (bulk dates: 1922-1955)**

There are 67 folders of correspondence, charts, maps, minutes, and brochures covering a variety of different administrative topics. Management data includes park chronology/history, major park management problems, and financial statements. There is legal content regarding the laws directly affecting the National Park Service, lawbreakers and correspondence with attorneys at law, and judicial districts. A large majority of the subseries comprises of correspondence within the Yosemite Advisory Board, specifically in establishing meeting times and producing meeting reports, all of which focus heavily on visitor use, accessibility, and trail/road construction throughout the park.

**Subseries C. 207 – Reports, 1906-1960 (bulk dates: 1920-1942)**

There are 24 folders of reports including flood & storm damage reports (accompanied by photographs), campground reports & questionnaires, annual & monthly reports reflecting departmental achievements and trainings, natural and cultural resource reports and funding allocations, and travel reports with depictive graphs and charts concerning visitation numbers. Specific details on visitor use, stay time, number of employees and gross revenues for the park are included within this subseries.

**Subseries D. 208 – Rules and Regulation, 1919-1953**

There are three folders of correspondence, photographs, and charts concerning park regulations on stock grazing and aviation. Much of the material revolves around aerial flight throughout the park and includes discussion of aerial mapping. There is also content regarding acreage of forage for stock grazing within park boundaries.

**Subseries E. 250 – Personnel, 1923-1952**

There are 11 biographical folders regarding the Park Service careers of Frank Ewing (Hospital Director), Joseph LeConte (Yosemite Advisory Board), LC Danner (District Ranger), William H. Nelson, Michael Enid, Horace Albright, Forest Townsley, and Gabriel Sovuleski. Each file contains career achievements through close of business for each individual.

**Subseries F. 252.0041 - Employment, 1906-1947**

There are 5 folders of information regarding the Park Service careers of Forest Townsley and Gabriel Sovuleski. Each file contains career achievements through close of business for each individual.

**SERIES IV. Budget Bureau, 1938-1943**

There are four folders of correspondence and charts concerning the financial estimates of projects and programs throughout the Yosemite National Park, specifically trail and road
projects like grading and structure construction. The file code given to the four folders is: File Code 302 – Preliminary and Final Estimates.

*Additional documents related to this series can be found in Series XII subseries A.

**SERIES V. Supplies and Equipment, 1942-1952**

Two folders of photographs and memoranda from 1942-1952 concerning signs in Yosemite National Park and subsistence supply costs. There are studies of “mess operations” and lists of menus with corresponding prices-per-item.

Series V is organized into 2 subseries and arranged numerically by file code.

**Subseries A. 447 – Signs, 1942-1950**

One folder of information regarding sign operations. Material covers topics including standardized lettering formats, requests for labels and signs, suggestions of park locations in need of signage, and drafts of signs for both interpretive and historical sites in Yosemite. Several black and white photographs of roadside signs are included. The majority of the material within this subseries is correspondence and memoranda along with charts and figures of sign specifications.

**Subseries B. 448 – Subsistence Supplies, 1943-1952**

One folder of information regarding mess operations. Several “Schedule of Appraised Value of Subsistence” reports are interfiled in the folder, most of which are broken down by fiscal year. There are memoranda discussing mess operational costs throughout the National Park Service as well as requests for subsistence figures from Yosemite specifically. Most of the material consists of reports, charts, and figures documenting mess operations and costs.

**SERIES VI. Publicity, 1919-1951 (bulk dates: 1930-1951)**

There are 49 folders of reports, correspondence, photographs, media articles, radio scripts & broadcasts, charts & schedules relating to the public outreach methodologies implemented by or about Yosemite National Park. The material comprises of documentation produced by the park involving visitation reports and visitor guides, statistical reports of Naturalist/interpretive services, schedules of events, travel reports, and interagency correspondence regarding permissible park publicity efforts.

A substantial portion of the material was created outside of the Park Service and includes radio scripts/broadcasts (Easter Sunrise Program), Ansel Adams photography (concessionaire of Yosemite National Park), and multiple news clippings (Las Angeles Times, Fresno Bee, Nature Notes, etc.). The series also incorporates numerous Ansel Adams photographs of international delegations including those from Australia, Argentina, Iran, and Egypt at various locations throughout the park. Lastly, there is correspondence and memoranda regarding the first motion picture filming of Yosemite National Park by Atwater Kent.
Series VI is organized into 5 subseries and arranged numerically according to file code.

**Subseries A. 500 – Untitled, 1951 April 15**

There is one folder with one telegram from Horace Albright requesting that Colonel Charles C. Thompson quickly send service, photographs, and an article on “Yosemite Valley Today”.

**Subseries B. 501 – Publicity, 1936-1952**

There are 20 folders of reports, correspondence and news articles relating to the publicity of Yosemite National Park. Reports of visitation and visitor use guides, ‘Newspaper or Magazine Contact’ forms, and ‘special articles’ by publications like the Fresno Bee, Los Angeles Times, Yosemite Sentinel and Nature Notes constitute a portion of the material. Much of the documentation within this subseries emanates an academic tone, particularly via articles and publication requests for scientific material. The majority of the documents stored within this subseries are correspondence related, specifically amongst park officials concerning the shipment and sale of informative publications.

**Subseries C. 502 – Entertainment and Lectures, 1924-1948**

There are ten folders of radio scripts, broadcasts, and statistical and travel reports. There is substantial material regarding the Easter Sunrise Program in Yosemite National Park as well as Harry C. Parker’s “Tales from Yosemite” broadcast. In combination with radio scripts and broadcasts, the subseries has records of Ranger Naturalist Activities including statistical reports of interpretive services (lectures, guided tours, etc.), schedules of events including Pioneer’s Day and the ‘Old Timers’ Program, and correspondence regarding free publications available through Yosemite National Park.

**Subseries D. 503- Pictures, 1924-1953 (bulk dates: 1942-1950)**

There are eight folders of photographs and correspondence of Yosemite National Park including correspondence about mounted photographs from the Yosemite Museum, the Merced Canyon Geological Exhibit, and of winter first aid equipment in the park. There are also several Ansel Adams photographs of international delegations (Australia, Iran, Egypt, Argentina & others) in various memorable and iconic locations throughout the park. Correspondence within the subseries centers on legal status to photograph and film motion productions within the park. Other prominent names/figures include Linnie Marsh Wolfe, Frank Kittredge, and the “Atwater Kent Yosemite” film.

**E. 504 – Publications, 1929-1952**

There are ten folders of correspondence, drafts, pamphlets and maps produced about Yosemite National Park, many of which were intended for employee distribution. Most of the correspondence relates to requests for copies of publications.
SERIES VII. Lands and Development, 1910-1964 (bulk dates: 1920-1950)

Series VII is organized into 14 subseries, each of which has a distinct numeric file code and subseries description.

There are 247 folders of material on planning, lands & boundaries, development and construction between. Material types include charts, sketches, maps, photographs, and correspondence & memoranda.

A significant amount of material in the series concerns land ownership and patented lands within Yosemite National Park as well as documentation of land acquisitions such as the Rockefeller Purchase, Tyrell Purchase and relations with the Sarah Scroggs property in Wawona. Another prominent topic in Series VII is the development of Yosemite National Park, particularly in regards to structure and road construction. Several final construction projects can be found within the series with blueprints and photographs in adjunction. There is also information regarding deferred rehabilitation projects as well as the finalization dedications for projects such as the Administration Building.

*Additional documents related to this series can be found in Series XII, subseries A.

Subseries A. 600 – Master Plan, 1924-1964 (bulk dates: 1930-1950)

There are 45 folders of sketches, charts, maps, applications, plans and correspondence regarding lands and projects in Yosemite National Park and surrounding areas including El Portal. Several charts and maps distinguish residential lots, land purchases and encumbrances on US Forest Service land. Development plans for the Merced Program (Camp 15), Crane Flat, Mariposa Grove, Tuolumne Meadows, Wawona, Old & New Village (Cedar Cottage), and Badger Pass are included. The series also has records of job opportunities and applications.

Subseries B. 601 – Lands (General), 1921-1961 (bulk dates: 1921-1950)

There are 14 folders of maintenance requests and correspondence regarding landscaping throughout Yosemite National Park. Most of the material refers to aesthetic landscaping throughout the park, specifically around Housekeeping Camp (Camp 14) and the Mariposa Grove. There is also significant correspondence with Frederick Law Olmsted and a memorandum on the conference between him and Yosemite National Park.

Subseries C. 602 – Boundaries & Area of Park (General), 1922, 1932, 1933

There are four folders of surveys, reports and photographs related to the boundaries and surveys of areas in and surrounding Yosemite National Park. The subseries includes a complete boundary survey of Yosemite National Park as well as exploration reports from an expedition to the Mount Ritter Minarets Region by Ansel Hall and EC Solinsky.

Subseries D. 604 – Donations, 1921-1945
There is one folder of correspondence and memoranda relating to donations and to the operations of the Rangers Club.

**Subseries E. 608 – Memorials, 1919-1937**

There are two folders of lectures and correspondence regarding the funding of the University of California lecture series at the LeConte Memorial.

**Subseries F. 610 – Private Lands, 1910-1956 (bulk dates: 1917-1952)**

There are 37 folders of reports and correspondence concerning private land ownership and land acquisitions in Yosemite National Park. The subseries heavily focuses on timber holdings in the park, specifically by the Yosemite Lumber Company. There are appraisal summaries of patented lands within park boundaries which include acreage, land, timber & overall value, and cost estimates for land acquisitions. Prominent names/places within the subseries include the Yosemite Lumber Company, Rockefeller Purchase, Tyrell Purchase, and Sarah Scroggs property.

**Subseries G. 611 – Repairs and Improvements, 1947 March, August**

There are two folders of reports and photographs of deferred rehabilitation projects, cost estimates, and lists of the most pertinent repairs around Yosemite National Park.

**Subseries H. 614 – Surveys & Notes, 1931**

There are four folders of surveys, confidential memoranda, reports, maps and photographs primarily concerning private lands in and around Yosemite National Park. Within the material is a private-lands survey which incorporates owner, geographic location, acreage, and general remarks about individual plots of land. There are also memoranda concerning private land acquisitions, particularly Yosemite Timber lands.

**Subseries I. 620 - Buildings, 1924**

There are two folders of correspondence, invitations and schedules for the dedication of the Administration Building in 1924 (invites, dinner list, transportation schedule, etc.).

**Subseries J. 630 – Roads, 1928-1942**

There are 49 folders of correspondence, reports, plans, blueprints and photographs regarding road construction plans throughout Yosemite National Park. Road construction projects include the Wawona Road, Glacier Point Road, Big Oak Flat Road, and Tioga Road. Other related projects including tunnel work and the Arch Rock Enlargement Project of 1948.

**Subseries K. 631 – Construction Under Road Budget Program, 1891-1949 (bulk dates: 1926-1949)**
There are nine folders of project guidelines, blueprints, photographs, and correspondence related to road construction projects on the Coulterville Road and the Mather-Hetch Hetchy Road. Correspondence relates to authorization and maintenance requests for projects as well as rules & regulations to be followed.


There are 27 folders of maps, correspondence, telegrams, photographs, minutes, and inspection reports of trail condition and construction in Yosemite National Park. Much of the material within the subseries relates to trail inspections surrounding Hetch Hetchy Reservoir by the City of San Francisco as well as to the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) projects around the park. Other prominent names/places include Chilnualna Trail, Rancheria, Pacific Crest Trailway, and Merced Lake Trail.

**Subseries M. 650 – Lakes, Rivers, Waterways (General), 1929-1933, 1951**

There are two folders of photographs and final construction reports on the Happy Isles Bridge, 1929-1930.

**Subseries N. 660 – Plants & Systems (General), 1899-1953** *(bulk dates: 1910-1946)*

There are 49 of folders maps, blueprints, photographs, and correspondence heavily concerning resource use of the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir and the surrounding areas. The majority of the material is correspondence regarding Hetch Hetchy roads, boat and recreational use of the reservoir, timber extraction of the Hetch Hetchy Valley and water sanitation studies and reports by the City of San Francisco. There is also advocacy against the damming of the Hetch Hetchy Valley by organizations like the Society for the Preservation of the National Parks and the Sierra Club as well as public lands surveys.

This subseries maintains much of the correspondence material regarding the Hetch Hetchy controversy of the early 20th century. Other prominent names/places include the Stephen Mather, the Ranker Act and the Cherry River Project (exploratory core drilling).

**SERIES VIII. Natural and Cultural Resources, 1908-1961** *(bulk dates: 1930-1950)*

There are 37 folders subdivided into 7 subseries depicting natural and cultural resource management in Yosemite National Park in the early 20th century. Various concerns regarding flora and fauna are addressed within the series including artificial sequoia reforestation, the halting of importation of exotic invasive species into the park, and requests for specimen collection. This series also contains information on insect species in Yosemite National Park, a rare mummified mountain sheep that was found in Lyell Glacier in 1933, and the fish stocking/planting policy that was implemented on a widespread basis throughout the park during the first half of the 20th century. Place-names and denotations as well as original geographic mapping of Yosemite are also prominent themes in this series. Series VIII is organized into 7 subseries and arranged numerically according to file code.
Subseries A. 701 – Flora, 1908-1961 (bulk dates: 1910-1941)

*Note: 3 folders titled “Trees” have been misplaced/miscoded under series VIII, subseries B (file code 713). The 3 folders are still housed with the material in subseries B.

There are 22 folders of correspondence, reports and photographs of flora in Yosemite National Park. Correspondence regarding the artificial reforestation of sequoias, the debate about the legitimate scientific name of the big trees, and the introduction of exotic species to the park are contained in this subseries. Correspondence and memorandums regarding halting the shipment of seeds of invasive species and specimen collection identification are also included. Other prominent names/places include UC Berkley Department of Botany and Frank A. Kittredge.


There are three folders titled “Trees” which are likely misplaced (the Dewey decimal code calls for “Trees” to be a sub-subseries of Subseries A – “File Code 701-Flora” with its own code sub-subseries of 701-01.4).

There are three folders including blueprints, correspondence and reports on tree species information, seed requests, visitation effects on redwood forests, and debate over the largest tree in the world.

Subseries C. 714 – Fishes, 1915, 1944-1956

There are two folders of fish stocking records, specifically planting rates, acreage, lakes, and stocking schedules, as well as Yosemite National Park physical inventories of lakes.


There are three folders of correspondence and memoranda concerning insect species, particularly the identification and preservation of specimens. Species identification slips produced by the California Bureau of Entomology, a list of odonata in Yosemite National Park, and information regarding the equipment used for specimen storage is all contained within this subseries.

Subseries E. 731 – Geography, 1930-1953

There are four folders of memoranda, correspondence, newspaper clippings, manuscripts, reports and maps regarding place names throughout the park. Topics include the renaming of Mt. Hogan to Battalion Mountain, the mapping of Mt. Savage and Battalion Mountain, a statement of policy for applying names of persons to natural features, requests for the denotation of certain place names within the park, and reports of Yosemite National Park names changed by the US Geographic Board.

Subseries F. 732 – Geology, 1933
There is one folder titled “Mountain Sheep 1933” which consists of correspondence regarding the mummified remains of a mountain sheep specimen that was found October 4, 1933 in Lyell Glacier. Correspondence includes requests for more information on the specimen and suggestions on preservation techniques. Photographs are in accompaniment.

Subseries G. 740 – Indians (Anthropology) , 1933-1944

There are two folders of memoranda, manuscripts, correspondence, telegrams and brochures from 1933-1944 regarding the Miwoks and other Indian tribes in Yosemite National Park, conditions of the Indian Village, acquiring Indian artifacts (arrowheads, jewelry, baskets, etc.), and lists of phonetic spellings of Miwok vocabulary.

Additionally, 10 folders of information regarding Native Americans in Yosemite National park are located in Series IX, subseries K. The folders are coded 883 but contents do not correspond with the listed file code subject for that number (Forest Protection) and may have been misplaced. These materials, which are still housed with Series IX’s materials, may actually belong in Series VIII, subseries G.

SERIES IX. Interpretation and Other Services, 1906-1954 (bulk dates: 1924-1954)

There are 106 folders of correspondence, memoranda, photographs, reports, blueprints, charts & logs, pamphlets, receipts, schedules and other material. The records pertain to interpretation and other services in Yosemite National Park from 1906-1954. Information on Yosemite Museum exhibits such as property forms, correspondence regarding artifacts, rules and regulations and other inventories of artifacts with specimen descriptions can be found. The series also has correspondence and memoranda regarding the construction of an amphitheater (campfire circle) in Camp 14 for the implementation of interpretive services as well as charts and logs of interpretive ranger program variety and dispersion throughout the park. In tangent with interpretive information is documentation of enrollment and attendance in schools within or immediately surrounding Yosemite National Park, primarily those in Wawona and Yosemite Valley.

There is also substantial documentation on storm damage and rehabilitation construction throughout the park, public utilities in Yosemite National Park, primarily the Pacific Telegraph & Telephone Company, travel to and within Yosemite National Park particularly with the Yosemite Valley Railroad Company, and other efforts made by Yosemite National Park to partner and associate with automobile clubs, newspapers, chambers of commerce, veterans associations and other miscellaneous organizations. Lastly, the series contains a small degree of information on winter sport activity in the park as well as on research by the National Park Service in comparison with private research foundations.

Series IX is organized into 11 subseries and arranged numerically according to file code.

*Additional documents related to this series can be found in Series XII, subseries A.
Subseries A. 801 – Protection (General), 1925-1952 (bulk dates: 1950-1952)

There are 13 folders of reports, photographs, correspondence, and memoranda concerning storm and flood damage in Yosemite National Park. Reconstruction estimates, damage and repairs in relation to CCC services, and employee accident reports are also contained within this subseries. Other prominent figures/places include Badger Pass snow removal, Yosemite Valley flood damage, storms from March 1952, floods from 1937 and 1950.

Subseries B. 833 – Exhibits, 1929-1949

There are 44 folders of correspondence, property forms, memoranda, photographs, and checklists regarding Yosemite Museum exhibits. Subjects include the transfer of property forms, information on the Happy Isles Nature Center (museum prospectus for floor plan layout), discussion of Max Antler paintings, requests for books on Yosemite National Park history, correspondence regarding the development of the herbarium, packing instructions for artifact shipping/storing, museum policy and procedure memorandums, donations, and memoranda on museum uplift. Some of the specific exhibits discussed within the content of this subseries include the Merced Canyon Geological Exhibit, El Portal Exhibit, Insect Exhibits, and the ‘National Defense and National Parks’ exhibit. There are also several inventories of the artifacts maintained by the Yosemite Museum (lists of species, age, condition, etc.).

Subseries C. 840 – Educational Activities & Methods (General), 1934, 1949-1952

There are four folders of charts, logs, correspondence and memoranda regarding the construction of an amphitheater at Camp 14. Correspondence reflects conflicting views about the campfire circle construction and also discusses interpretive ranger activities throughout the park. Logs and charts display the distribution of interpretive rangers throughout the park along with the variety of different programs presented by the rangers.

Subseries D. 843 – Instruction, 1917-1953

There are seven folders of correspondence, memoranda, and pamphlets referring to Mariposa County schools, particularly those in Yosemite Valley and Wawona, and the Yosemite Field School. Enrollment & attendance lists, pamphlet/handouts, and general correspondence between school board members and Yosemite National Park officials are included. Prominent names/figures/events include the 1948 Mariposa County School District Controversy.

Subseries E. 845 – Research (General), 1945 February

There is one folder with a 1945 report on research in the National Park Service and its relation to private research foundations. The report summarizes recommendations concerning research in the natural sciences, history, and archeology, the operation of the Historic Sites Act, and the work of the Advisory Board in Yosemite National Park.
Subseries F. 857 – Travel (General), 1914-1945

There are 12 folders of correspondence, memorandums, schedules, and receipts involving the Yosemite Valley Railroad Company. Material consists of train schedules, employee time schedules, rules and regulations, freight charges, requests and receipts of payment, and discussion about the abandonment of the railway. There is also discussion regarding the installation of a telephone line in El Portal. Other notable names/places/figures include Horace Albright, Stephen Mather, Hotel Del Portal, and the Pullman Car Service.

Subseries G. 865 – [No File Code Association], 1906

There is one folder containing a map titled “Exhibit ‘A’”, a map of Yosemite Valley Railroad Company.

Subseries H. 868 – Sports (General), 1931-1932

There is one folder of reports on winter sport activity in Yosemite National Park during the 1931-1932 winter season. Much of the correspondence/reports discuss visitation numbers in comparison to the depressed economy. There are also several photographs of skiing, sledding and other winter-time activities.

Subseries I. 869 – Public Utilities (General), 1917-1932

There are four folders of correspondence and memoranda between Yosemite National Park and the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company. Content of the material includes requests for directories, telegraph & telephone rates, requests for telephone/telegraph services between Yosemite National Park and Mt. Rainier, complaints about services, telegraph records, bills for collection and some fiscal year information. Prominent names/places/figures include the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company and W.B. Lewis.

Subseries J. 871 – Associations (Cooperating Agencies – General), 1920-1953

There are nine folders of schedules, invitations, correspondence and memoranda between Yosemite National Park and partner organizations. Content includes invitations to meetings (meeting times, schedule of events), correspondence with associations including auto clubs, chambers of commerce, newspapers, veterans associations, oil companies, and radio stations. There is also material concerning the proposed National Park-to-Park Highway Association including the official publication, guide and inclusive map. Information pertaining to the storage of Charles E. Peterson’s butterfly collection at Hilgar Hall in Berkley, CA can be found within this subseries although the folder appears to be misfiled within this subseries.

Notable names/figures/places include the Inyo-Mono Bulletin, San Joaquin Valley Conservation Forum, the Fig Leaf, American Automobile Association, the Audubon Society, and the Merced Rotary Club Classification Study (1952).
Subseries K. 883 – Forest Protection, 1924-1954

*Note: The material contained within this subseries’ involves Native Americans in Yosemite National Park, not “Forest Protection”. The folders are coded 883 but contents do not correspond with the listed file code (Forest Protection) and may have been misplaced. These materials may actually belong in Series VIII, subseries G (File Code 740: Indians (Anthropology)).

There are ten folders of informational packets, correspondence and confidential memoranda regarding housing policy for the Yosemite Indian Village. Material includes the Yosemite Indian Village Policy, memoranda concerning the abolishment of the Yosemite Indian Village, information requests on Natives living in the village, recommendations for moving Indian families into new housing, discussion of transferring the Indian Village into National Park Service (NPS) employee housing, a thorough Indian Census, and a Nevada Day Celebration informational packet. Some of the content within this subseries is marked as sensitive.

SERIES X. Yosemite Concessioners, 1910-1953

There are 85 folders of informative documentation of the relations between Yosemite National Park and park concessionaire. The series contains blueprints, correspondence, photographs, contracts, manuscripts and memoranda concerning a variety of different park concessionaires including (but not limited to) Pillsbury Picture Company, American Automobile Association, Yosemite Stage and Turnpike Company, Yosemite Big Tree Auto, Pacific States Electric Company, Degnan’s, and Yosemite Park & Curry Company. There are also records of privileges and permits allocated by Yosemite National Park, particularly concerning the housing contracts in the Yosemite Indian Village and special use permits.

Series X is organized into 2 subseries and arranged numerically according to file code.

Subseries A. 900 – Yosemite Concessioners (General), 1910-1953 (bulk dates: 1920-1953)

There are 82 folders of blueprints, minutes, telegrams, photographs, memoranda and correspondence concerning concessionaire operations in Yosemite National Park from 1910 to 1953. A significant portion of the material is in reference to transportation within the park, however information regarding several other organizations can be found. Some of the concessioners/organizations include Pillsbury Picture Company, the American Automobile Association, Audubon Society, Vista Viviente Films, Best’s Studio, Degnan’s, Boysen Photographic Studio, Yosemite Park & Curry Company, Yosemite Stage and Turnpike Company (YPCC), Pacific States Electric Company, the Schlageter Brothers, Yosemite Big Tree Auto Company, and Yosemite Transportation System (YTS).

Some of the topics discussed throughout correspondence with the various organizations include requests for schedules, lists of horse-drawn vehicles, speeding notifications and fines owed, transportation passenger numbers, material lists and prices, concessionaire
applications, and permission requests to photograph/film/record in Yosemite. There are also several articles of incorporation for different organizations as well as documentation on the controversy between Yosemite Stage & Turnpike Company and the Schlageter Brothers. Some of the material within this subseries is marked as sensitive.

**Subseries B. 901 – Privileges & Permits, 1945-1953**

There are three folders of memoranda, correspondence, applications, contracts and manuscripts relating to the Indian Village and Natives in Yosemite National Park from 1945-1953. Within the folders are application forms and cancellation documentation for ‘Revocable Special Use Permits’, recommendations for the ‘betterment’ of the Yosemite Indian Village, housing contracts for the Indian Village, and correspondence to collect debts owed by Indian occupants. The material is divided by the names of individuals.


There are 56 folders, which were not designated with specific file codes and thus were filed at the end of the OCFC. Because of this, material includes reports, maps, blueprints, graphs, bulletins, publications, applications, photographs, correspondence, newspaper clippings, brochures, pamphlets, legal documents, manuscripts and notebooks on a variety of topics.

Some of the subjects covered within this series include interpretive prospectuses, Naturalist reports & weekly program schedules, papers signifying donations by C.M. Goethe (founder of the Interpretive Program in Yosemite National Park), general museum correspondence, photographs of the Arch Rock Enlargement, final construction reports on the Badger Pass Entry Road Parking Area and other construction projects by Gabriel Sovulewski, monthly narrative and seasonal reports to the Chief Park Architect R.L. McKnown, information about the Hazel Green Property (Certificate of Redemption of Real Estate Purchased by the State). Other prominent names/places/figures not already mentioned include Carl W. Sharsmith, Charles Shamel, and Hannes Schroll.

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**SERIES XII. Recovered Files (bulk dates: 1920-1961)**

This series includes OCFC files that were found after the collection was processed. A separate subseries is created for each group of files to maintain the provenance in which they were recovered.

**Subseries A. Assorted numbers 101-845 – Early Museum Development**

This subseries includes OCFC files that were found with Interpretation and Education Division Records. The subseries is organized thematically based on its provenance. However, it is arranged conforming to the organizational structure of the Filing Scheme of the National Park Service (FSNPS), which is the basis for the arrangement of the first 10 series of this collection. Within each FSNPS number, the folders are arranged chronologically.
There are 15 folders in this subseries of correspondence, reports, telegrams, inventories, budgets, and photocopies covering the early development of the Yosemite museum primarily through the correspondence of the Park Naturalists and Superintendents. The material covers the museum’s start-up funding from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial, its construction, the acquisition and maintenance of artifacts, and its influence on the development of educational programs in Yosemite and other national parks.

Other noteworthy documents include correspondence and reports from: Carl Russell, who in his 34-year career (1923-1957) served as Yosemite Park Naturalist, NPS Chief Naturalist, Regional Director and Yosemite Park Superintendent; Frank Kittredge, Yosemite Superintendent (1941-1947); Lawrence C. Merriam, Yosemite Park Superintendent (1937-1941); Herman Carey “H.C.” Bumpus, President of the American Museum of Natural History; Washington B. Lewis, Yosemite Park Superintendent (1916-1928); and Ansel F. Hall, Yosemite Park Naturalist (1920-1923), and NPS chief naturalist (1923 to 1930).
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Folder 0044. Outline of Trail Trip Through Southern Section of Yosemite National Park by Gabriel Sovulewski, 1928


Oversize
Folder 0046. Yosemite National Park Future Development Program, January 1927

Folder 0047. [Correspondence Related to Museum], 1926

Folder 0048. 24 American Association of Museums File No. 24, 1926
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Folder 0049. 24 American Association of Museums File No. 24, 1926
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Folder 0050. [Yosemite Museum: Distribution of Expenditures], 1924, 1925, 1926

Folder 0051. Park Naturalist Reports, July-August 1923

Folder 0052. Construction Reports of Gabriel Sovulewski, 1921-1927
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Folder 0054. Construction Reports of Gabriel Sovulewski, 1916-1920
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Folder 0056. 507 Notebook Listing Ranger Naturalists on Duty, 1936-1974

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Folder 0001. 101 History, 1930 April 26
Letter from Mary J. Arnold describing life in Yosemite in 1860s.
Folder 0002. 103, Museum History, 1924-1926
Oversize map of Dr. Joseph Grinnell's Life Zone Map of Vertebrate Animals in Yosemite; also includes report on Ground Squirrel eradication program in Yosemite Valley.
Folder 0003. 103, Museum History, 1927
Includes "A report to the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial upon a visit to the Yosemite National Park by H. C. Bumpus."
Folder 0004. 201, 299, Museum Administration, 1921, 1937-1938
Folder 0005. 312, Museum Appropriations and Budget, 1920-1924
*Oversize blueprints of proposed Glacier Point building.*
Folder 0006. 312, Museum Appropriations and Budget, 1925
*Includes a report about “Some Suggestions for the Organization of the Educational Department (for) U.S. National Park Service.”*
Folder 0007. 620-46, Museum Building History, 1922-1925
*Includes copies of progress reports, photographs of museum construction, blueprints, and budgets.*
Folder 0008. 620-46, Museum Building History, 1938-1942

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Folder 0009. 620-46, Museum Building History, 1943-1946

Folder 0010. 620-46, Museum Building History, 1947-1949
*Includes a report on termite damage to parts of the stored Thomas Moran Art Collection.*
Folder 0011. 833-05, Exhibits, Museum, 1921-1927
*Oversize blueprints of original Museum Building.*
Folder 0012. 833-05, Exhibits, Museum, 1938-1942
*Includes a 1941 report on how to protect cultural resources during war.*
Folder 0013. 833-05, Exhibits, Museum, 1943-1944
*Includes an inventory of 912 slides of the Park Naturalist, and also documents from “The Pacific Crest Trail System Conference held in Pasadena in 1943.*
Folder 0014. 833-09, 833-12, 24, Museum Exhibits, Gifts & Loans, 1925-1929
*Includes a letter to J.M. Hutchings’ daughter; correspondence with a relative of J. D. Savage (credited with discovering Yosemite).*
Folder 0015. 845, Research, General, 1961
*Originally filed in different organization system as H2215, National Park Service Areas. Correspondence about failed research into the Yosemite Land Grant.*

**SEPARATED MATERIALS**

**Oversize Box 1: 11"x17"**
- Includes 80 oversize documents; 17 blueprints, 22 diazotypes, and 41 miscellaneous paper types. Documents are largely maps, plans and drawings but there are also many annual reports, construction cost reports and balance sheets.
- Labeled "Oversize Box 01"

**Oversize Drawer: D86 / D6-06**
- **D6-06: 30"x42":** Includes 50 diazotypes, 36 blueprints, and 22 miscellaneous paper types. Documents consist of architectural plots and plans, tabulations of construction bids, financial reports, and maps

**Oversize Drawer: D87 / D6-07**
- **D6-07: 30"x40":** “Life Zone” map of Yosemite Section study, limited edition print on possibly velum paper.
Oversize Drawer: E2-09
- *E2-09*: 36"x48"; Includes 21 diazotypes, 11 blueprints, and 54 miscellaneous paper-types. Documents are largely maps, plans and drawings.

Oversize Roll
- Row E, Roll 1 of 1: 2 maps on oversize roll; one diazotype.