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DeSoto Falls - DeKalb Co. - Alpine (near Valley Head)

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7 Box 5
ITEM 46 4

Name and No.	DESOTO FALLS DK. Co. Site #24 Sec. 4, T6S, R10E
TARCOG	
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES	
FIELD SURVEYOR	County: <u>DeKalb</u>
RECORDING FORM	Field Surveyors' Names: <u>Reed</u>
	<u>Reed</u>
	Historical Notes Number: <u>19-FS</u> (Red Ink)
	Photograph Record Number: <u>D-68, D-69</u> (Blue Ink)
1. Name:	<u>De Soto Falls</u>
2. Location:	<u>Alpine, near Valley Head</u>
3. Owner of Property:	<u>State</u>
4. Geographical Data:	
5. Acreage:	
6. Classification:	<u>site</u>
7. Integrity:	<u>original</u>

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State Park

Names:

De Soto Falls

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Dekalb Co., AL

Types:

form

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Name and No.	DE SOTO FALLS DK. Co. Site #24 Sec. 4, T6S, R10E (at 11/10/10)	Box 5 Item 46	4
8. Condition:	<u>poor</u>		
9. Present Use:	<u>State Park</u>		
10. Areas of Significance:	<u>Reported to be site of private owned hydroelectric plant.</u>		
11. Architectural Description:	<u>Only concrete pipe supports remain at rim of pool.</u>		
12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:			
Date of Completion:	<u>2/22/74</u>		

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Name and No. DESOTO FALLS 7 Box 5
DK. Co. Site #24 Item 46
Sec. 4, T6S, R10E

TARCOG
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DEKALB

Field Surveyors' Names: FARRIS

I. Information on Photograph Photographer: FARRIS

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 View Description: site of first
Roll Number: _____ hydroelectric plant - DeSoto Falls
Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 19
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): _____
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).

Location (Word Description): Alpine, near Valley Head

Owner or Occupant: Alabama State Parks
(Name, if known)

Address: Montgomery, AL

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
(where appropriate, () Barn () Industrial (X) Other, describe
check one or more)

Apparent period of construction: () Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
(X) Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: () Federal
(if appropriate) () Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century
() Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: _____

Date of completion: 3/23/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Alabama State Parks

De Soto Falls

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Montgomery, AL

Types:

form

Dates:

Mar 23, 1974

Name and No.	DESOTO FALLS DK. Co. Site #24 Sec. 4, T6S, R10E <i>(at Highway)</i>	7 Box 5 Item 46 4
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TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 24

1. Name of site or structure De Soto Falls
2. Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known) _____
3. Description Site
4. Historical significance of site or structure if known Besides being known as one of the most famous scenic spots in the state, the site has some historical background. Some people believe that De Soto's men explored that area, though positive proof is lacking. Indian fortifications, consisting of two curving, parallel rock walls protected an area near a sheer cliff at one time. They were torn down during the 1930's and the rocks were used in building a house.
A concrete base at the foot of the falls marks the former location of a hydroelectric plant built during the early 1930's by A. A. Miller, who supplied electrical power for Valley Head, Mentone, Fort Payne, Collinsville and Minto, Georgia.

hydroelectric plant

Names:

De Soto Falls
Miller, A. A.

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Dekalb Co., AL

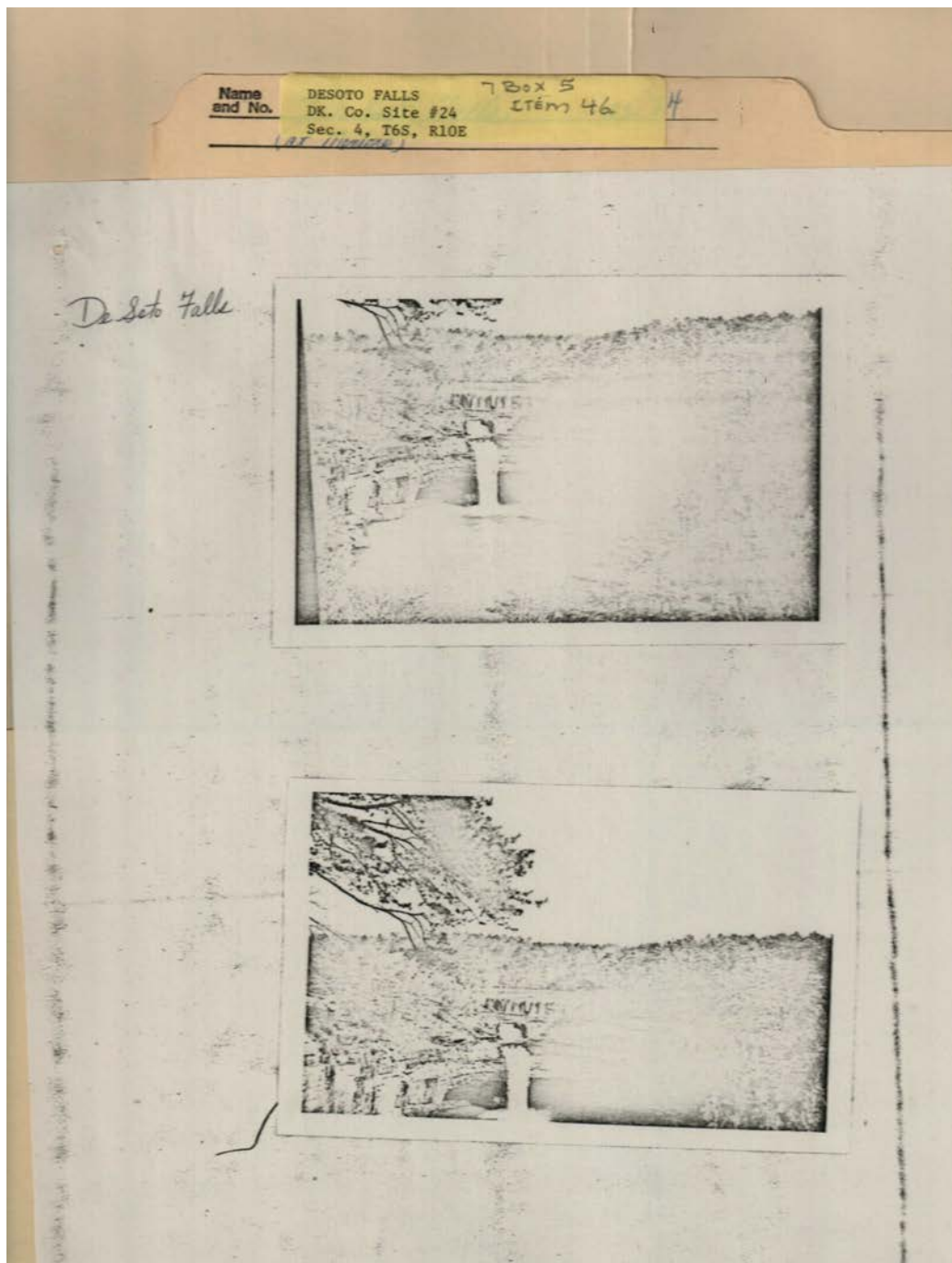
Types:

form

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Names:

De Soto Falls

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Types:

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8. Condition:	<u>poor</u>		
9. Present Use:	<u>State Park</u>		
10. Areas of Significance:	<u>like</u> <u>Reported to be site of privately owned</u> <u>hydroelectric plant - built by A.A. Miller in early 1930's.</u>		
11. Architectural Description:	<u>Only concrete pipe supports remain at</u> <u>rim of pool.</u>		
12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:			
Date of Completion:	<u>7/22/74</u>		

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Names:

De Soto Falls
Hydroelectric Plant

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Types:

form

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Name and No. DESOTO FALLS
DK. Co. Site #24
Sec. 4, T6S, R10E

7 Box 5
ITEM 46

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HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DeKalb

Field Surveyors' Names: Furber

I. Information on Photograph

Photographer: Bentley

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 View Description: site at tent

Roll Number: hydraulic plant - DeSoto Falls

Exposure Number:

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 19
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Historical Notes Number (Red Ink):
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() Early 20th Century
() Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate:

Date of completion: 3/23/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Alabama State Parks

De Soto Falls

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Montgomery, AL

Types:

form

Dates:

Mar 23, 1974

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