

Blockhouse No. 2 Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad

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NARRATIVE

Following the Battle of Franklin, Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest's cavalry division and Gen. William Bate's infantry division advanced toward that town on December 2, 1864 along the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad. Forrest's troopers in Gen. Abraham Buford's division began attacking the railroad bridges near Nashville and the blockhouses defending them for purposes of cutting off communications between Gen. George Thomas in Nashville and Gen. Lovell Rousseau commanding the garrison at Fortress Rosecrans. The first blockhouse Buford's cavalry attacked was Blockhouse No. 2 near Mill Creek.

HISTORICAL THEMES

EXPLANATION OF ATTACHMENTS/VIDEO:

Current map of battlefield site

LINKS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

N/A

COUNTY:

Davidson

DATE:

12/2/1864

GEO COORDINATES:

36.099131° N,
86.704294° W

PRESERVATION

OPPORTUNITY INDEX:

LOW

CONFEDERATE UNITS:

Buford's Division
(Forrest's Cavalry)

UNION UNITS:

115th Ohio Infantry

Bockhouse No. 2



LEGEND OF TERMS:

Historical themes: Topics and subject matter that characterize the battlefield including Control of Tennessee's Resources, Crucible for Leadership, Guerilla Warfare, Transformation in Warfare, Enslaved People, and Influence on Campaign. Sites are identified that exhibit themes at moderate to high levels, and some sites may contain one or more Historical Themes.

Preservation Opportunity Index (POI): A rating assigned for each battlefield to indicate relative opportunity and potential for successful site preservation. The Index is generated by a model that evaluates ratings assigned for site significance, condition, risk of loss, protection potential, and opportunities for interpretation. Based upon the POI values for each region in Tennessee (West, Middle, East), sites are indicated as having High, Medium, or Low opportunity.

Geo Coordinates: General/central location of the battlefield area per latitude and longitude coordinates utilized in Google Earth

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON A BATTLE SITE?

Please email us at info@tcwpa.org and we will reach out to you soon. If you have copies of documents or photos to share, you can include those. If you want to discuss by phone, we will schedule that too.

HELP US COLLECT INFORMATION TO PRESERVE THESE BATTLEFIELDS

TCWPA's Statewide Preservation Plan team captains are recruiting volunteers to help gather information about many of the lesser-known sites with hopes of verifying the condition of each site and identifying opportunities for preservation and interpretation.

If you are interested in helping, please contact TCWPA at info@tcwpa.org.

TCWPA will not publish nor release any confidential information, or the name of the contributor, unless you request to be recognized.

Thank you!

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