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Dear Mr. Simmons:

We are very excited by your proposal to the Register for "Chateau Laroche" and hope we can be of some help.

Enclosed is our SPACES newsletter #2 which lists 7 "folk art" sites on the Register and has stories on the two latest sites accepted. Also included is a xerox page from a book where the "Chateau" is mentioned - perhaps you are not familiar with the book.


I'm sure other state SHPO's will share copies of their successful nomination forms to help you.

If it still exists, there is (or was) a "city of stone" in Springfield, Ohio - which might be helpful if added to your current proposal. California's last nomination on this kind of work - "20th Century Folk Art Environments-a Thematic Nomination." listed 9 sites. Although only one place qualified (mostly-people still alive) the Register accepted the concept of a statewide thematic nomination. Much less work than one at a time. It is of course our interest to promote acknowledgement of this kind of activity and we hope you will consider state and national status for sites yet to be discovered.

Could you please send us a copy of the Register nomination for Baughman Memorial Park-1979 for our files? It might also be of interest to you.

If you know of any other "environments" (see enclosed definition), please let us know. How did you hear of us? Lastly, please put us on any mailing list of information for the public. Let us know what happens with the "Chateau".

Good luck-Happy Holidays!



Seymour Rosen
Director

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