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## Old Cabin NW of Leadville, Colorado



I first saw this cabin on Saturday, October 28, 2017 when on my day off, when working for Temple Israel in Leadville, I wanted to drive the road to Vail since I had never been that way before. The road is US 24 that goes northwest from Leadville up to I-70 just west of Vail proper. The cabin is just before Ski Cooper near Tennessee Creek.

Dad and I went past the cabin again on Sunday, September 13, 2020 on the way back from Grand Junction heading to Leadville (before getting back to Colorado Springs) when I stopped to get more photos and details of the structure.

Going from I-70 down US 24 to Leadville is a nice scenic, curvy road. A few miles before getting to the Leadville city limits is an old log cabin. I briefly featured this cabin in the January 2018 issue on the page covering October's activities. I wanted to stop again and get some more extensive photos of the cabin and some of its features.





*You can see the evidence below of what looks like a gas pump “island” with a post and beam structure that was bolted in the middle.*

The location of the cabin is right off the road along side of the road. There is also evidence of a gas pump island near the building leading me to believe that the cabin was once a gas station and quick stop store for the main road. If it was, that explains the general structure of the building.

*Map source: Google Maps*





*The building apparently had several additions to the original single room cabin at the front.*



*You can see the floor boards running diagonally across the floor joists here near the front door.*



*Being a log cabin, the gaps between the logs would have been chinked. Whoever built this cabin had a very interesting technique to hold the chinking in place!*

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*Another view of the logs showing the nails that held the chinking.*



*Like with many log cabins, the corners show a good overlap.*

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*The windows in this cabin are firmly held by boards that become an integral part of the structure.*



*The walls seem more structurally sound, but the roof and the floors are completely gone.*

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*Here is another view showing better the apparent addition to the building.*



*This is the view behind the cabin.*

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