Comanche National Grassland, Timpas Unit

Heritage Resources

- More than 540 sites are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by Forest Service staff and/or the Colorado State Historic Preservation Office.
- Three heritage resources listed as significant at the national and state levels.
  1. The **Santa Fe Trail** designed by Congress as a National Historic Trail in 1987. (Photos: Santa Fe Trail Caravan on the Comanche NG with the National Park Service, Bents Fort in May 2006).
  2. **Rourke Ranch Historic District** listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2000. [Photos: the main ranch residence in about 1908 (left) and 2005 (right)].
  3. **Vogel Canyon Historic District** listed on Colorado’s State Historic Register in 1995 (Photo: Prehistoric rock shelters with extensive rock art).

- High interpretative, educational and recreational values of many additional heritage resources improve Americans’ understanding their past at the local, state and national levels and can enhance recreational experiences.