



A & C. HOGUE CABIN
26185 West US Highway 40, Steamboat Springs

The Hogue Ranch was homesteaded in 1880 by William Denison who constructed the two-room log cabin with attached sod-roofed root cellar in 1886. Denison died in 1887, and two rooms were added to the cabin after that time. Denison's relatives founded the William Denison Memorial Library, housed in the Union Church, by bequeathing more than 1,000 of his books and thereby creating the nucleus of the first public library in the region. Frank Squire, born in 1890 the oldest son of twelve children, acquired the property and developed a successful livestock operation that touted diversity by raising cattle, relay horses, sheep, and animal feed. He and his wife had five daughters, all raised on the land in the ranching tradition. The cabin, owned and occupied by his heirs since 1917, was modernized in the 1950s. Michael Hogue, Squire's grandson, and Michael's wife Maureen currently reside in the cabin and maintain the cattle operation. The Squire family's association with the property has spanned four generations, and their stories, that range from hard work such as storing ice gathered from the frozen Yampa River in the ice house to training and riding rodeo-winning horses, represent the ever-changing face of agriculture in the Yampa Valley.