

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

- Date _____ Initials _____
- Determined Eligible – National Register
 - Determined Not Eligible – National Register
 - Determined Eligible – State Register
 - Determine Not Eligible – State Register
 - Need Data
 - Contributes to eligible National Register District
 - Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5SM.1772/THAS.111**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **San Miguel**
- 4. City: **Telluride**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **Lilley House**
- 6. Current Building Name: **Mongan / Green House**
- 7. Building Address: **319 N. Spruce Street**
- 8. Owner Name and Address: **Denise Mongan and Steven Green
P. O. Box 1072
Telluride, CO 814351072**

Parcel number(s): **456536418002**

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THLD RATING:

**Primary - Supporting to District
Shed - Non-Contributing Without Qualifications.
Secondary Residence - Non-Designated.**

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II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **New Mexico** Township: **43N** Range: **9W**
NE ¼ of SE ¼ of SW ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 036
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)
 Zone: **13** **253179 mE** **4202570 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Telluride, Colorado**
 Year: **1955** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Lots 5, 7, Block 29**
 Addition: **Telluride Original Townsite** Year of addition: **1883**
13. Boundary description and justification:
This legally defined parcel encompasses, but does not exceed, the land historically associated with this property.
 Metes and bounds?: Describe:

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): **Rectangular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **1469 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1½**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood / Horizontal Siding**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof / Front Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Metal Roof**
20. Special features: **Porch**
21. General architectural description:
This residence consists of: a main, original, 1½-story front gabled section, which measures 14' N-S (across) by 20' E-W (deep); an original single-story shed-roofed extension to the north elevation, which measures 9' N-S by 20' E-W; a shed-roofed extension to the west (rear) elevation, which measures 19' N-S by 6' E-W; a large canted bay at the east end of the south elevation. The dwelling is supported by an unpainted coursed sandstone foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted red horizontal wood siding with painted white 1' by 4" corner boards. The front gabled roof is steeply-pitched, with metal roofing material and painted white boxed eaves. Simple gable ornaments appear in the upper gable ends on the east and west elevations. The home's asymmetrical facade faces Spruce Street on the east elevation. A painted red diagonal plank door, with one upper sash light, enters the facade from an uncovered poured concrete porch. A painted red wood-paneled door, with four upper sash lights, enters the rear shed-roofed extension at the west end of the south elevation. At the exterior of this door there is a small 3-step wood porch covered by a gabled hood with knee brace supports. The large canted bay at the east end of the south elevation contains three large windows, and is covered by a hipped roof. The home's original windows are primarily 2/2 double-hung sash with painted white wood frames and surrounds.
22. Architectural style: **No Defined Style**

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Building type:

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23. Landscape or special setting features:

This property is located on the west side of N. Spruce Street in the block north of Galena Avenue, in the area of Telluride known as Catholic Hill. St. Patrick's Catholic Church is to the north at the corner of Spruce and Galena.

24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

Shed (THAS #111)
A small shed (THAS #111) is located at the rear of the property. This structure measures approximately eight feet square, on a poured concrete foundation. Its exterior walls are clad with corrugated metal over wood frame construction, and it is covered by a gabled roof. The roof is finished with metal, laid over asphalt and 1x wood decking. A painted white wood-paneled door, with one upper sash light, enters the south elevation. A 1x1 horizontal sliding window also penetrates the south elevation.
Secondary Residence (319½ N. Spruce Street)
A modern secondary residence is near the rear northwest corner of the property. This two-story dwelling is supported by a poured concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with stained brown vertical wood siding. The cross gabled roof is moderately-pitched, with metal roofing material and boxed eaves. A stained brown wood-paneled door, with a fanlight, enters the west elevation from an 8-step wood porch. A painted black wood-paneled door enters the south elevation from a small poured concrete porch covered by a gabled hood with knee brace supports. Two large 36-light fixed-pane windows penetrate the south elevation, one in the first story, and the other in the second story. Windows elsewhere are primarily 1/1 double-hung sash with painted white wood frames and surrounds.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction: Estimate: **1892** Actual:
- Source of information: **Sanborn Insurance maps, October 1890 and February 1893**
26. Architect: **Unknown**
- Source of information: **N/A**
27. Builder: **Unknown**
- Source of information: **N/A**
28. Original owner: **Unknown**
- Source of information: **N/A**
29. Construction history:
- Sanborn Insurance maps reveal that this house was built between October 1890 and February 1893, and that the shed (THAS #111) predates 1904. As depicted on the Sanborn maps through 1922, the original house included the main 1½-story front gabled section and the single-story extension to the north elevation. Other building components (as described above in section 21) are not original. San Miguel County Assessor records indicate that the secondary residence was constructed circa 1998.**
30. Original location: Moved: Date of move(s):

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V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
33. Current use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
34. Site type(s): **Single Family Residence**

35. Historical background:

This house was built circa 1892, and by the turn of the twentieth century it was home to Peter A. and Mollie A. Lilley. According to the 1900 U. S. census, Peter was born in Sweden, in February 1858 and immigrated to America in 1869, while Mollie (maiden name unknown) had been born in Iowa, in April 1872. Mr. and Mrs. Lilley were married circa 1897, by which time they were Telluride residents. An accountant, Mr. Lilley served as the San Miguel County Assessor, and later as the Telluride City Clerk. While serving in that capacity in 1907, he was arrested and charged with misappropriation of public funds. According to Telluride *Daily Journal*, articles, Lilley was alleged to have embezzled nearly five thousand dollars over the course of more than a year. He was apparently convicted of the crime, as in the 1910 census, Lilley is listed as an inmate in the state penitentiary in Canon City. Interestingly, though, by the end of that decade, Lilley had served his sentence and returned to private life, as he and Mollie are recorded in the 1920 census as residents of Highland Park in Wayne County, Ohio. In the 1980s, this property was owned by Martin and Marion Prochnix of Fairfax, Virginia. It has been owned by Denise Mongan and Steven Green from 1994 to the present, according to San Miguel County Assessor records

36. Sources of information:

Colorado's Historic Newspaper Collection. <http://www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org>.

“Peter A. Lilley Under Arrest On Serious Charge.” Telluride *Daily Journal*, May 28, 1907, p. 1.

San Miguel County Assessor Data Site.” <http://sanmiguel.valuwest.net>

San Miguel County Property Appraisal Record.

Sanborn Insurance maps, August 1886, October 1890, February 1893, December 1899, July 1904, November 1908, October 1922.

Simmons, Laurie and Christine Whitacre. Historic Building Inventory Record, May 1986.

Telluride Historical Museum. www.telluridemuseum.org

Town of Telluride Building Department building permit files.

U. S. Census Records.

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VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No Date of designation:
Designating authority:

38. Applicable National Register criteria:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
 - B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
 - C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguished entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
 - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory.
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

xx Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

Telluride Standards for Designation:

- 7-505.A.1. The structure is representative of a unique historical social activity of an era
- 7-505.A.2. The structure dominates the neighborhood by virtue of its mass, architecture or location
- 7-505.A.3. The structure was an historically or architecturally important public building
- 7-505.A.4. The structure has a unique historical significance beyond a local level
- 7-505.A.5. The parcel was the site of an important historic event or activity
- xx** 7-505.A.6. The structure has a "contributing or qualified contributing" rating on the THAS

39. Area(s) of significance: **Architecture, Settlement**

40. Period of significance: **Circa 1892**

41. Level of significance: National: State: Local: **xx**

42. Statement of significance:

This property is historically significant for its association with residential development in Telluride dating from the time of its construction in the early 1890s. The house is also architecturally significant for its representative front gabled plan and small size and scale which is representative of the Late Victorian era. With a modest loss of integrity, the primary structure rates as a "supporting" resource within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District. The shed is rated non-contributing without qualifications. Sanborn Insurance maps indicate that the shed (THAS #111) was built after the district's period of significance. As a result, it rates as a "noncontributing without qualifications" resource within the district. The secondary residence is non-designated.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This property displays a less than optimal standard of physical integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation - setting, location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The house's integrity is compromised to some extent by a rear addition and the addition of a bay on the south elevation. These additions are quite modest, though, and are compatible with the original construction in terms of their materials and massing. The large modern secondary residence diminishes the integrity of setting. A sense of time and place remains partially intact.

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VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: **Not Individually Eligible**
 Local landmark eligibility field assessment: **Eligible / Supporting to District**
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No
 Discuss: **This property is located within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District.**
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing Noncontributing N/A:
46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing Noncontributing N/A:

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph number(s): **CD #7, Images 260-263** CDs filed at: **Town of Telluride**
48. Report title: **Town of Telluride Re-Survey of Historic Structures** **Planning and Building Department**
49. Date(s): **August 8, 2011** **113 West Columbia Avenue**
50. Recorder(s): **Carl McWilliams** **Telluride, CO 81435**
Timothy Wilder
51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**
52. Address: **Dogwood Court**
Fort Collins, CO 80525
53. Phone number(s): **(970) 493-5270**

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Sketch Map



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Location Map

