

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination
(OAHF use only)

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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.1560**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **San Miguel**
- 4. City: **Telluride**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **House**
- 6. Current Building Name: **House**
- 7. Building Address: **320 W. Colorado Avenue**
- 8. Owner Name and Address: **El Prado Properties Ltd. No. II
c/o SNIP 321 Cleveland Ct
San Antonio, TX 78209**

Parcel number(s):

477901201009



THLD RATING: Supporting to District

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II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **New Mexico** Township: **42N** Range: **9W**
 $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)
 Zone: **13** **252806 mE** **4202412 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Telluride, Colorado**
 Year: **1955** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Lot 8, Block 2**
 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): **Irregular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **Length: 49 feet x Width: 24 feet**
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Cross Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Metal Roof**
20. Special features: **Porch**
Chimney
Ornamentation/Decorative Shingles
21. General architectural description:
This single story wood frame dwelling is located on the south side of W. Colorado Avenue, set back from the street between the enlarged Elks Building to the east and the Tomboy Gold Mines Company Office Building to the west. A small nonhistoric connecting element extends the dwelling's façade to the east wall of the Tomboy Gold Mines Office Building. The house features a cross-gabled plan, with painted deep blue horizontal wood siding on the facade (north elevation), and painted white horizontal wood siding on the secondary elevations, with painted white 1" by 4" corner boards. Stained dark brown fish scale shingles appear in the facade's upper gable end, however. The cross-gabled roof is moderately-pitched, and is covered with red metal roofing material. The eaves are boxed with painted white wood trim. Two tall red brick chimneys, with corbelled caps, are located on the roof ridges. A stained natural brown wood-paneled front door, with one upper sash light, enters the house from the front porch which extends across the full width of the facade. The porch features a concrete floor, a low painted white picket fence rail, bracketed, painted white, chamfered columns, and a shed roof. The facade wall is penetrated by a single-light fixed-pane window, which is probably not original.
- There are two small additions to the south (rear) elevation. One is a historic shed-roofed addition, of wood frame construction. This addition's walls are clad with rolled asphalt siding with a faux brick pattern. A set of eight wooden steps leads to a white metal-paneled door on this addition's south elevation. The other addition is a non-historic shed-roofed and gable-roofed element of wood frame construction, with stained natural brown horizontal wood siding. This addition is penetrated by a 2-light metal-framed window.**

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22. Architectural style: **Late Victorian**
Building type:

23. Landscape or special setting features:

This house is located on the south side of W. Colorado Avenue, set back from the street between the enlarged Elks Building to the east and the Tomboy Gold Mines Company Office Building to the west. The San Miguel County Courthouse is located in the block across Colorado Avenue to the north.

24. Associated buildings, features or objects: **N/A**

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction: Estimate: **1886** Actual:
Source of information: **Sanborn Insurance map, December 1899.**

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 provide evidence that this dwelling was constructed prior to 1886. Modest gable and shed-roofed additions have been built onto the original south (rear) elevation. The gabled addition postdates 1986.

30. Original location: Moved: Date of move(s):

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 dwelling**

35. Historical background:

Sanborn Insurance maps reveal that this dwelling was erected prior to 1886. This residence, and another small residence on Lot 8 to the east, were the first two houses built here on Block 2 of Telluride's Original Townsite, which had been platted three years earlier in 1883. Information regarding the individuals and families who lived in this house through the years has not been thoroughly researched.

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36. Sources of information:

San Miguel County Assessor records.

San Miguel County Commercial Property Appraisal Record.

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

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

Telluride Museum Digital Photo Collection: <http://www.telluridemuseum.org>

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).

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

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: **1873-1913**

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

42. Statement of significance:

Built prior to 1886, this is one of Telluride's earliest houses. It is historically significant for its association with Telluride's residential development, and it is also architecturally significant as an excellent local example of a modest vernacular mining town dwelling dating from the Late Victorian era. With a modest loss of integrity, this building may be considered a supporting resource within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District.

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43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This building displays a reasonably high 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. Two small rear additions detract minimally from the house's physical integrity. The modern Elks Building to the west diminishes the integrity of setting. A sense of time and place of an 1880s vernacular mining camp dwelling remains reasonably intact, however.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: **Not Individually Eligible / Contributing to District**
 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 #5, Images 5-7** CDs filed at: **Town of Telluride**
48. Report title: **Town of Telluride Re-Survey of Historic Structures** **Planning and Building Dept.**
49. Date(s): **06/30/2007; revised 4/10/2013** **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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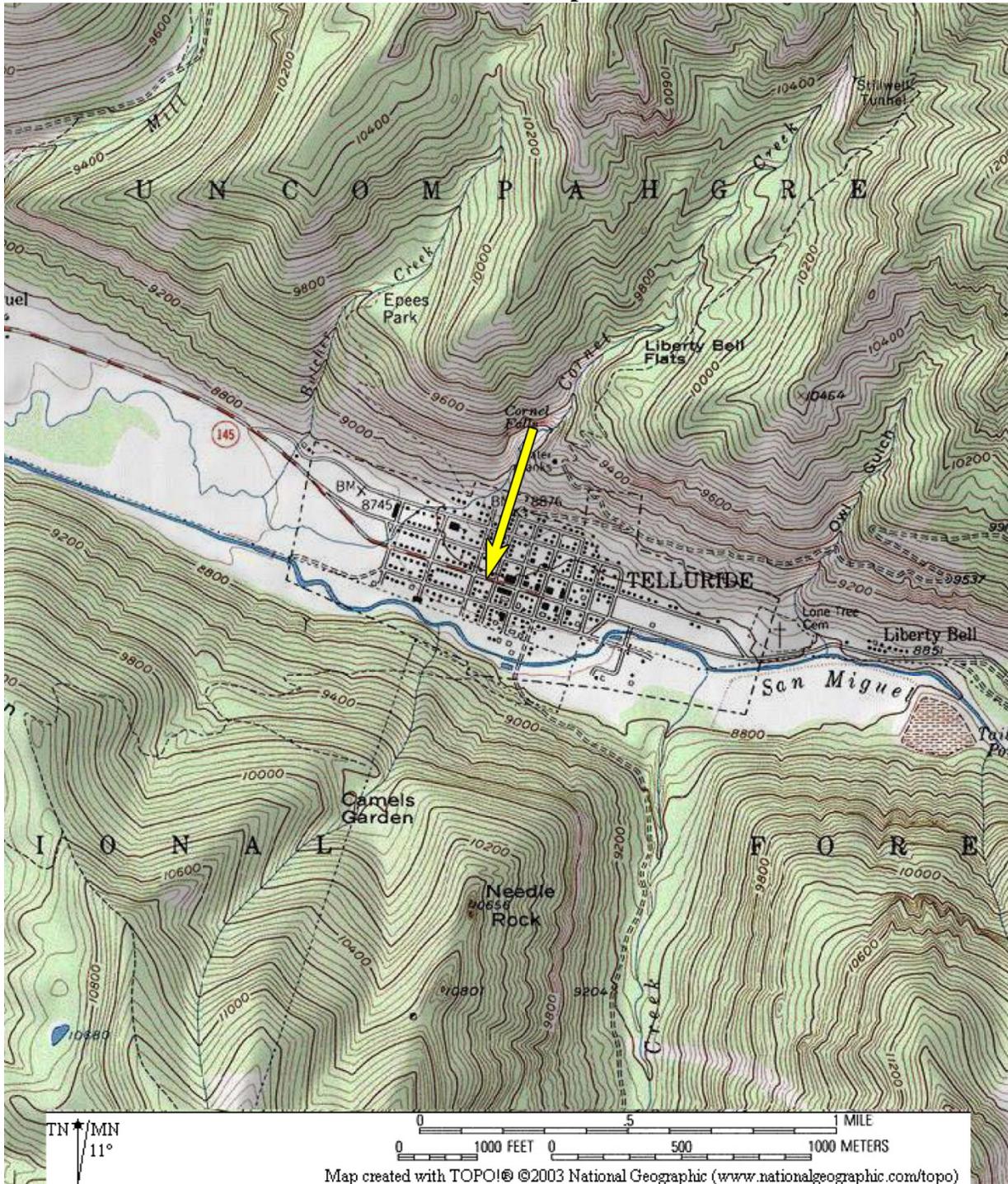
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Location Map



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