

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination  
(OAHHP 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: **5SM1818**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **San Miguel**
- 4. City: **Telluride**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **Unknown**
- 6. Current Building Name: **Mayer House**
- 7. Building Address: **239½ E. Galena Avenue**
- 8. Owner Name and Address: **Virginia Mayer  
P. O. Box 36  
Telluride, CO 814350036**

Parcel number(s):

**456536419012**

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THLD RATING:

Supporting to District

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### II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **New Mexico** Township: **43N** Range: **9W**  
**NW ¼ of SW ¼ of SE ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 036**
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)  
 Zone: **13** **253262 mE** **4202530 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Telluride, Colorado**  
 Year: **1955** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Lot D, Block 33**  
 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: **624 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1½**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood / Weatherboard**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof / Front Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Metal Roof**
20. Special features: **Porch**
21. General architectural description:  
**This is a small 1½-story front gabled dwelling with low shed-roofed extensions to its south (side) and west (rear) elevations. The house is supported by a low stone or concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted cream yellow horizontal weatherboard siding with painted green 1" by 6" corner boards. The roof is covered with metal, and the eaves are boxed with painted green wood trim. A large, non-original, gabled dormer is on the south-facing roof slope. The house's asymmetrical facade faces Willow Street on the east elevation. A green metal-paneled door, with one upper sash light, enters the north end of the facade from a small uncovered porch. A large, non-original, single-light fixed-pane window penetrates the facade wall south of the front door. Another, smaller, single-light fixed-pane window penetrates the facade's upper gable end. Two 2-light windows penetrate the wall of the shed-roofed extension on the south elevation.**
22. Architectural style: **No Defined Style**  
 Building type:
23. Landscape or special setting features:  
**This small house is located between the property at 239 E. Galena Avenue to the south, and the property at 321 N. Willow Street to the north, northwest of the intersection of Galena and Willow. Although this house has a Galena Avenue address, it faces Willow Street to the east.**
24. Associated buildings, features or objects: **N/A**

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### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction:      Estimate:    **1899**      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 for Telluride indicate that this small dwelling was likely erected circa 1899. Low shed-roofed extensions to the south and west elevations appear quite old but probably postdate 1922, based on the Sanborn maps. A large fixed-pane window on the facade and a dormer on the south-facing roof slope are more recent alterations; however, they predate 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 Residence**

35. Historical background:

**Sanborn Insurance maps indicate that this dwelling was likely constructed circa 1899. Biographical information pertaining to individuals and families associated with that residence during the early decades of the twentieth century has not been uncovered.**

36. Sources of information:

**"San Miguel County Assessor Data Site." <http://sanmiguel.valuewest.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](http://www.telluridemuseum.org)**

**Town of Telluride Building Department building permit files.**

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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**

40. Period of significance:    **Circa 1899**

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

42. Statement of significance:

**This dwelling is architecturally significant for its representative modest front gabled plan. It is also historically significant for its association with Telluride's residential development dating from just before the turn of the twentieth century. Due to some loss of integrity, this building rates as a "supporting" resource within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District.**

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

**This property 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. The most notable alterations are a large fixed-pane window on the facade and a large gabled dormer on the south-facing roof slope. Sufficient integrity remains for this building to rate as a "supporting" resource within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District.**

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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): | <b>CD #6, Images 182-184</b>                              | CDs filed at: | <b>Town of Telluride</b>                    |
| 48. Report title:         | <b>Town of Telluride Re-Survey of Historic Structures</b> |               | <b>Planning and Building<br/>Department</b> |
| 49. Date(s):              | <b>August 6, 2011</b>                                     |               | <b>113 West Columbia Avenue</b>             |
| 50. Recorder(s):          | <b>Carl McWilliams<br/>Timothy Wilder</b>                 |               | <b>Telluride, CO 81435</b>                  |
| 51. Organization:         | <b>Cultural Resource Historians</b>                       |               |   |
| 52. Address:              | <b>Dogwood Court<br/>Fort Collins, CO 80525</b>           |               |   |
| 53. Phone number(s):      | <b>(970) 493-5270</b>                                     |               |   |

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## Sketch Map



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## Location Map

