

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

OAHP1405

Cultural Resource Re-evaluation Form

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1. Resource Number: 5ST663 2. Temp. Resource Number: _____
3. Attachments (check as many as apply)
 Photographs
 Site sketch map
 U.S.G.S. map photocopy
 Other _____
 Other _____
4. Official determination (OAHP USE ONLY)
 Determined Eligible
 Determined Not Eligible
 Need Data
 Nominated
 Listed
 Contributing to N.R. District
 Not Contributing to N.R. Dist
5. Resource Name: White Swan Mine
6. Purpose of this current site visit (check as many as apply)
 Site is within a current project area
 Resurvey
 Update of previous site form(s)
 Surface collection
 Testing to determine eligibility
 Excavation
 Other The site is among a group of mine sites selected for a broad inventory under a State Historical Fund grant.
7. Previous Recordings: The site was recorded in 1996 or 1997 by Martha Poley of the Division of Minerals and Geology. Poley provided a Management Data Form, conducted minor archival research, and completed the Division's in-house Mining Feature Worksheet. The site was not mapped, features were not identified or described, artifacts not inventoried, nor buried archaeological potential noted. Despite the inadequate data, the Division of Minerals and Geology recommended the site ineligible and the OAHP concurred.
8. Changes or Additions to Previous Descriptions: The White Swan Mine retains no physical integrity and barely can be discerned as a mine site. Historic and current topographic maps depict at least three structures on-site, including a cabin on a regional road, another frame building where the mine's shaft was located, and a building between the shaft and the main road. What was apparently a concentration mill may have also stood between the road and shaft. Within recent decades, someone bulldozed all building platforms, reclaimed the area where a mill may have stood, excavated settling ponds downslope, and spread out the waste rock dump associated with the shaft. The Division of Minerals and Geology then grated the shaft, which is flooded, closed. In sum, the site retains no recognizable features and few historic artifacts.
9. Changes in Condition: Unknown; the Division of Minerals and Geology did not describe the site's condition in 1997.
10. Changes to Location or Size Information: None
11. Changes in Ownership: None
12. Other Changes, Additions, or Observations: None
13. National Register Eligibility Assessment:
Eligible Not eligible Need data
Explain: The site retains no integrity.
14. Management Recommendations: No further work.
15. Photograph Types and Numbers: _____
16. Artifact and Field Documentation Storage Location: Town of Breckenridge
17. Report Title: Mining the Golden Horseshoe: An Inventory of Select Historic Sites Around Breckenridge, Summit County, Colorado
18. Recorder(s): Eric Twitty 19. Date(s): August 30, 2003
20. Recorder Affiliation: Mountain States Historical