

Colorado Cultural Resource Survey

OAHP1400

Management Data Form

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The Management Data Form should be completed for each cultural resource recorded during an archaeological survey. Exceptions to this are isolated finds and re-evaluations, neither of which require a Management Data Form. Please attach the appropriate component forms and use continuation pages if necessary.

1. Resource Number: 5ST987 2. Temporary Resource Number:

- 3. Attachments (check as many as apply)
4. Official determination (OAHP use only)
Prehistoric Archaeological Component
Historic Archaeological Component
Historic Architectural Component Form
Sketch/Instrument Map (required)
U.S.G.S. Map Photocopy (required)
Photograph(s)
Other, specify:
Determined
Determined Not Eligible
Nominated
Need Data
Contributing to NR Dist.
Not Contributing to NR Dist.

I. IDENTIFICATION

- 5. Resource Name: Baldy Boss Claim
6. Project Name/Number:
7. Government Involvement: Local X State Federal
Agency: Town of Breckenridge
8. Site Categories: Check as many as apply
Prehistoric: archaeological site paleontological site
in existing National Register District? yes no name
Historic: archaeology site X building(s) X structure(s) object(s)
in existing National Register District? yes no X name
9. Owner(s)'s Name and Address: Town of Breckenridge
10. Boundary Description and Justification: Extent of visible features and artifacts.
11. Site/Property Dimensions: 50 m x 75 m Area: 1125 m^2 (+4047) 0.3 acres
Area was calculated as: Length x Width X OR (length X width) X .785
rectangle/square ellipse

II. LOCATION

- 12. Legal Location
PM 6 Township 7 S Range 77 W Section 5 NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4
PM Township Range Section 1/4 of 1/4 of 1/4 of 1/4
if section is irregular, explain alignment method:

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13. USGS Quad: Breckenridge 7.5' X 15' Date(s): 1970 (attach photocopy)
14. County: Summit 15. Other Maps: _____
16. UTM Reference:
A. 13; 411430 mE 4368845 mN
B. _____; _____ mE _____ mN
17. Address: _____ Lot___ Block___ Addition_____
18. Location/Access: From the intersection of Hwy 9 and Boreas Pass Road, travel southeast on Boreas Pass Road approximately .75 miles to the beginning of a large horseshoe curve bending north. Turn south on a gravel road, descend an embankment, and stop. The site lies to the west.

III. NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

19. Topographic Feature(s)
- | | | |
|--|--|--------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mountain | _____ ledge | _____ playa |
| _____ hill | _____ terrace/bench | _____ talus slope |
| _____ tableland/mesa | _____ canyon | _____ alluvial fan |
| _____ ridge | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> valley | _____ plain |
| _____ saddle/pass | _____ basin | _____ dune |
| _____ alcove/rockshelter | _____ floodplain | _____ _____ |
| _____ cliff | _____ cutbank | _____ _____ |
| _____ slope | _____ arroyo/gully | _____ _____ |
20. Site Topographic Description (mention named landforms): The site lies at Little Mtn's east base.
21. Site Elevation: 9850 feet =(x .3048) 3002.3 meters 22. Aspect: East-facing
23. Degree of Slope on Site: 0-26 24. Soil Depth: Unknown cm
25. Soil Description (character and color): Medium-brown cobbly, silty loam
26. Depositional Environment:
_____ Aeolian Colluvial _____ Residual
_____ Alluvial _____ Moraine _____ None
_____ Other, specify; _____
27. Nearest Water: name/nature: Intermittent creek distance: On-site ft.
28. Nearest Permanent Water: name: Illinois Creek distance: 267m 875 ft.
29. Vegetation on Site (list predominant species): Engleman spruce, subalpine fir, blue spruce, aspen, mountain juniper, arctic willow, western sage, rabbit brush, forbes, grasses
30. Vegetation Associations/Communities Surrounding Site: Open meadow grading into fir, aspen, and spruce forest

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IV. National/State Register Eligibility Assessment

31. Context or Theme: Western precious and industrial metals mining

32. Applicable National Register Criteria:

Does not meet any of the below National Register criteria

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history; or

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory; or

Qualifies under exceptions A through G.

Level of Significance: National State Local

33. Condition

a. Architectural/Structural

Excellent

Good

Fair

Deteriorated

Ruins

b. Archaeological/Paleontological

Undisturbed

Light disturbance

Moderate disturbance

Heavy disturbance

Total disturbance

34. Describe condition: The site features a standing log cabin and privy, while a structure and equipment associated with an on-site prospect operation were removed. The cabin was repaired with new windows and cement chinking. Industrial items associated with mining and logging operations on the adjacent Ouray Mine Site (5ST985) were cached by the cabin. The site is overgrown and the cabin unused.

35. Vandalism: yes no describe: _____

36. National Register Eligibility Field Assessment:

Eligible Not Eligible Need Data

Statement of Significance/N.R.H.P. Justification: See the attached sheet.

37. Status in an Existing National Register District:

Contributing Non-Contributing

38. National Register District Potential yes no discuss: The site is fairly isolated and not important enough to warrant district designation.

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V. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

39. Threats to Resource: Water erosion Wind erosion ___ Grazing ___ Neglect
Vandalism ___ Recreation Construction ___ Other (specify): _____
comments: _____
40. Existing Protection: None ___ Marked Fenced ___ Patrolled ___ Access controlled ___
other (specify): _____
41. Local landmark designation: None 42. Easement: _____
43. Management Recommendations: See the attached sheet

VI. DOCUMENTATION

44. Previous Actions Accomplished at the site:
- a. Excavations: Test ___ Partial ___ Complete ___ Date(s): _____
 - b. Stabilization: Date(s): None
 - c. HABS/HAER Documentation: Date(s) & Numbers: None
 - d. Other: _____
45. Known collections/reports/interviews and other references (list): None
46. Primary Location of Additional Data: _____
47. State or Federal Permit Number: _____ Collection Authorized: yes ___ no
Artifact Collection: Yes ___ No Artifact Repository: _____
Collection Method: Diagnostics ___ Grab Sample ___ Random Sample ___ Transect
Other (specify): _____
48. Photograph Numbers: _____ Negatives filed at: _____
49. Report Title: Mining the Golden Horseshoe: An Inventory of Select Historic Sites Around Breckenridge, Summit County, Colorado
50. Recorder(s): Eric Twitty Date(s): August 30, 2003
51. Recorder Affiliation: Mountain States Historical
Phone Number: 303)499-4334

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.

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Eligibility Recommendations

The cabin on the Baldy Boss claim is the site's most important and distinct feature and retains architectural integrity relative to the timeframe of the 1890s to the 1910s. Because the cabin retains integrity, and is separate in time and function from the adjacent prospect workings, which lack integrity, the cabin is recommended eligible for the SRHP under Criterion C. The prospect workings and a recent privy are recommended as non-contributing elements of the site. The cabin cannot be tied to important events, themes, or persons, and from a broad perspective, it is a relatively common building type in the West. The cabin also apparently lacks buried deposits of significance. For these reasons, the cabin is recommended ineligible for the NRHP. The adjacent Ouray Mine site and sawmill (Site 5ST268) lend ambiance and feel to the site.

In terms of *Criterion C*, the cabin is a sound representative of the types of residential log cabins that were once important to and common in the Breckenridge area prior to the 1910s. The cabin is highly intact and locally important because such buildings outside of Breckenridge are currently disappearing.

In combination with the sawmill remnant on the adjacent Ouray Mine site, the cabin can serve as a contributing element of the Breckenridge area's historic fabric. The cabin is an example of early Breckenridge vernacular architecture and is a type of building that is disappearing due to development. The cabin, again in combination with the sawmill remnant, contributes to a localized visual landscape.

Management Recommendations

Management recommendations suggest several actions based in part on the potential for the Town of Breckenridge to adapt the cabin for public use. First, the cabin should be stabilized and repaired. This will probably require replacing rotten wall footers and raising the sagging west wall. Second, for a sense of aesthetic value, the cabin can be restored to original condition, which includes removing prefabricated materials, replacing the door with a sympathetic version, and replacing plexiglass windows with multipane units. Third, the rotten planks of the deck by the entry should be replaced. Last, if the site is adapted for public use, then toilet facilities may be necessary. The existing privy can be repaired and brought back into use, with the Cucumber Gulch property (Site 5ST995) serving as an example. The privy's underlying flooring and support beams will have to be replaced.