

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance

This form is intended for use in survey projects undertaken for preservation planning purposes and it is NOT to be used for Section 106 compliance projects. It provides a basic descriptive record of a single building, structure, object, or site. Please use the #1417b Ancillary form to document additional resources on a single site. This form may provide enough information to assess architectural significance and/or to identify other potential areas of historical significance. Full evaluations of historical significance require additional property-specific research beyond the scope of this form and typically require completion of the OAHP *Historical / Architectural Properties: Intensive Level / Evaluation* form (OAHP form # 1403). For guidance on completing this form and required accompanying documentation, please refer to the instructions, available online at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oaHP/survey-inventory-forms>

Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

Date: _____ Initials: _____

Determined Eligible – NR
 Determined Eligible – SR
 Needs Data
 Eligible District - Contributing

IDENTIFICATION

1. Property Name: Elk Creek Taxidermy Building Historic Current Other:
2. Resource Classification: Building Structure Object Sites/Landscape
3. Ownership: Federal State Local Non-profit Private Unknown

LOCATION

4. Street Address: 161 West Main Street
5. Municipality: New Castle, CO Vicinity:
6. County: Garfield
- **7. USGS Quad: New Castle, CO Year: 2022 7.5'
- **8. Parcel Number: 212331408002
- **9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 7-8 Block: 3 Addition:
- **10. Acreage: 0.08 Actual Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6th Township: 5S Range: 90W
NE ¼ of NW ¼ of NW ¼ of SE ¼ of section: 31
- **12. Location Coordinates:
 UTM reference: Zone 13 ;mE 282482 ;mN 4383024 NAD 1927 NAD 1983
 or
 Lat/Long: Latitude _____ ; Longitude _____ WGS84 Other:

****Please check with your project sponsor to determine which fields are required, as not all locational**

DESCRIPTION

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
One-story	False Front Commercial	Concrete	Horizontal weatherboard
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
Four-over-four double hung sash with snap on muntins; vinyl frames	False front façade parapet (stepped); shed/flat roof; boxed overhanging eaves; metal roof	N/A	N/A

Optional: additional description (plan/footprint, dimensions, character-defining and decorative elements of exterior and interior; alterations, additions, etc.):

The one-story, rectangular shaped building was constructed in 1900 as shown through review of Town of New Castle records. The approximately 64' by 50' building is representative of a vernacular form of False Front Commercial style of architecture. Architectural features of the building consist of a concrete foundation; exterior envelope clad with horizontal weatherboard siding; a false front façade parapet (stepped); shed and flat roof design; boxed overhanging eaves; and a metal roof. The main entryway is located in the center of the primary (north) elevation of the building. The main entryway features wood trimming and incorporates a wood main door. An additional entryway can be noticed on the far right-side of the façade. The secondary entryway incorporates a wood panel door with a picture window. The typical window consists of a four-over-four double hung sash with snap on muntins and a vinyl frame.

14. Associated buildings, features, or objects: N/A

15. Landscape (important features of the immediate environment):

- Garden Mature Plantings Designed Landscape Walls Parking Lot Driveway Sidewalk Fence Seating
- Other:

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS (based on visual observations and/or review of secondary sources):

16. Historic Function/Use: Commercial

Current Function/Use (if different): Commercial

17. Date of Construction: 1900

Estimated Actual (include source): Garfield County

Assessor's Office

18. Other Significant Dates, if any: N/A

19. Associated NR Areas of Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Politics/Gov't |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeology | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment/Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Social History |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic Heritage | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime History | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Planning & Dev't | <input type="checkbox"/> Health/Medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy | |

20. Associated Historic Context(s), if known: A portion of the resource's known history is quoted through "A Walking Tour of Downtown New Castle" by the Town of New Castle: "Originally a log structure, the building was a blacksmith shop and later an office and small engine shop. In the 1930's, it was used for storage for Pete Mattivi's Studebaker dealership across the street. In the 1980's the building was reconfigured for use as a taxidermy business and remodeled in 2002-2003 to the present structure."

21. Retains Integrity of: Location Setting Materials Design Workmanship Association Feeling

22. Notes: Before the establishment of New Castle, the area was frequented by the Ute Tribe who inhabited much of the mountain areas in western Colorado and eastern Utah throughout the summer seasons. However, the lure of wealth from natural resource extraction from several gold rushes and silver booms prompted many American settlers to explore the Rocky Mountains between the mid to late-Nineteenth Century. By 1881, the tribe had been removed from the area and relocated to the Uintah and Ouray Reservation in Utah. The Town of New Castle was incorporated several years later in 1888, shortly after Jasper Ward built the first homestead in the area in 1883. Coal mining quickly became a vital industry in the vicinity to supply fuel to silver smelters throughout the Rocky Mountain region. The town experienced several boom-and-bust cycles of the industry until the early to mid-Twentieth Century when coal mining came to a more permanent end. In the aftermath, agricultural operations including farming and ranching began to take hold throughout the mid to late-Twentieth Century due to the fertile soil in the area. Between the late-Twentieth- and early-Twenty-first Centuries, the town has experienced a sustainable growth in population.

The Town of New Castle designated the resource as a local landmark.

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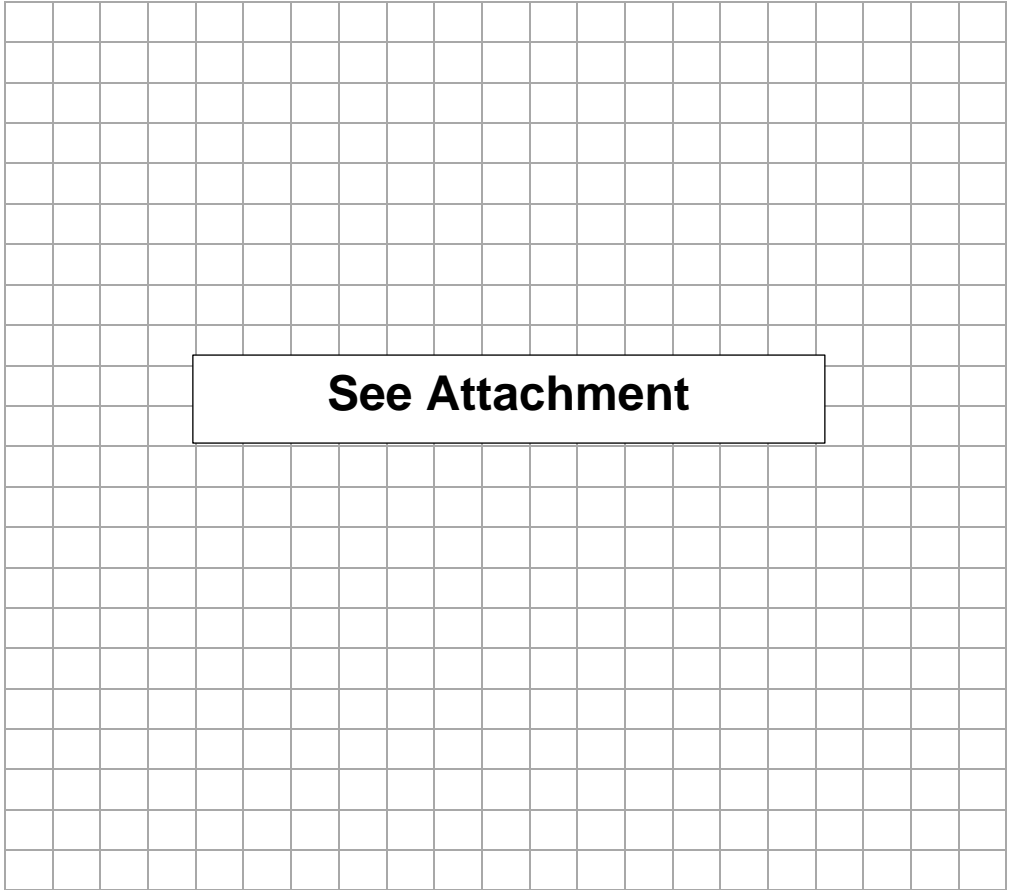
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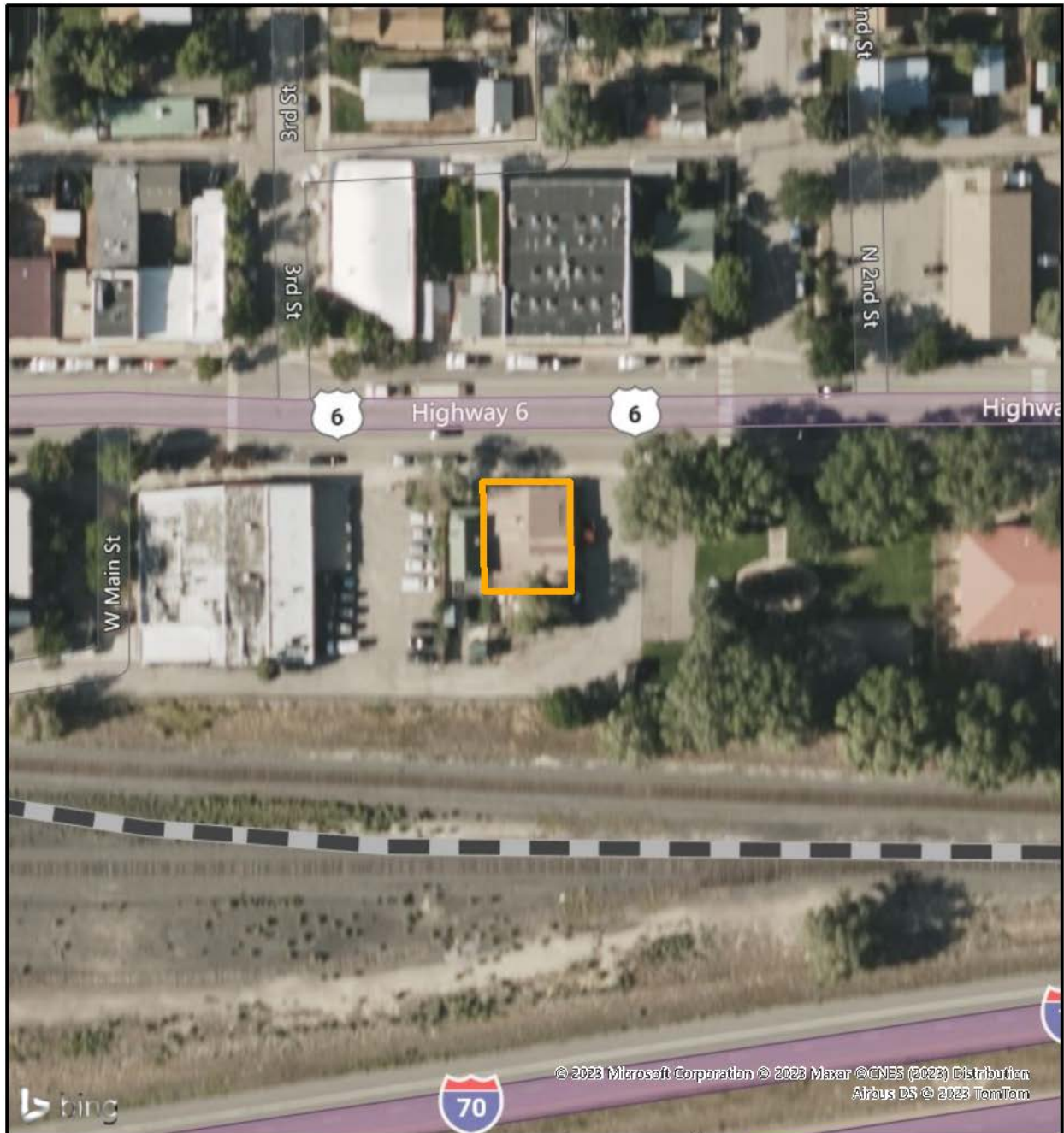
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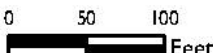


FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION: (To be completed by surveyor)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – SR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Eligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligible District – Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Landmark
RECORDING INFORMATION
Survey Date: <u>9/6/2023</u>
Surveyed By: <u>Cameron Weishoff</u>
Project Sponsor: <u>Town of New Castle</u>
Photograph Log: <u>5GF.5919_1 to 5GF.5919_2, and 1 reference photo</u>



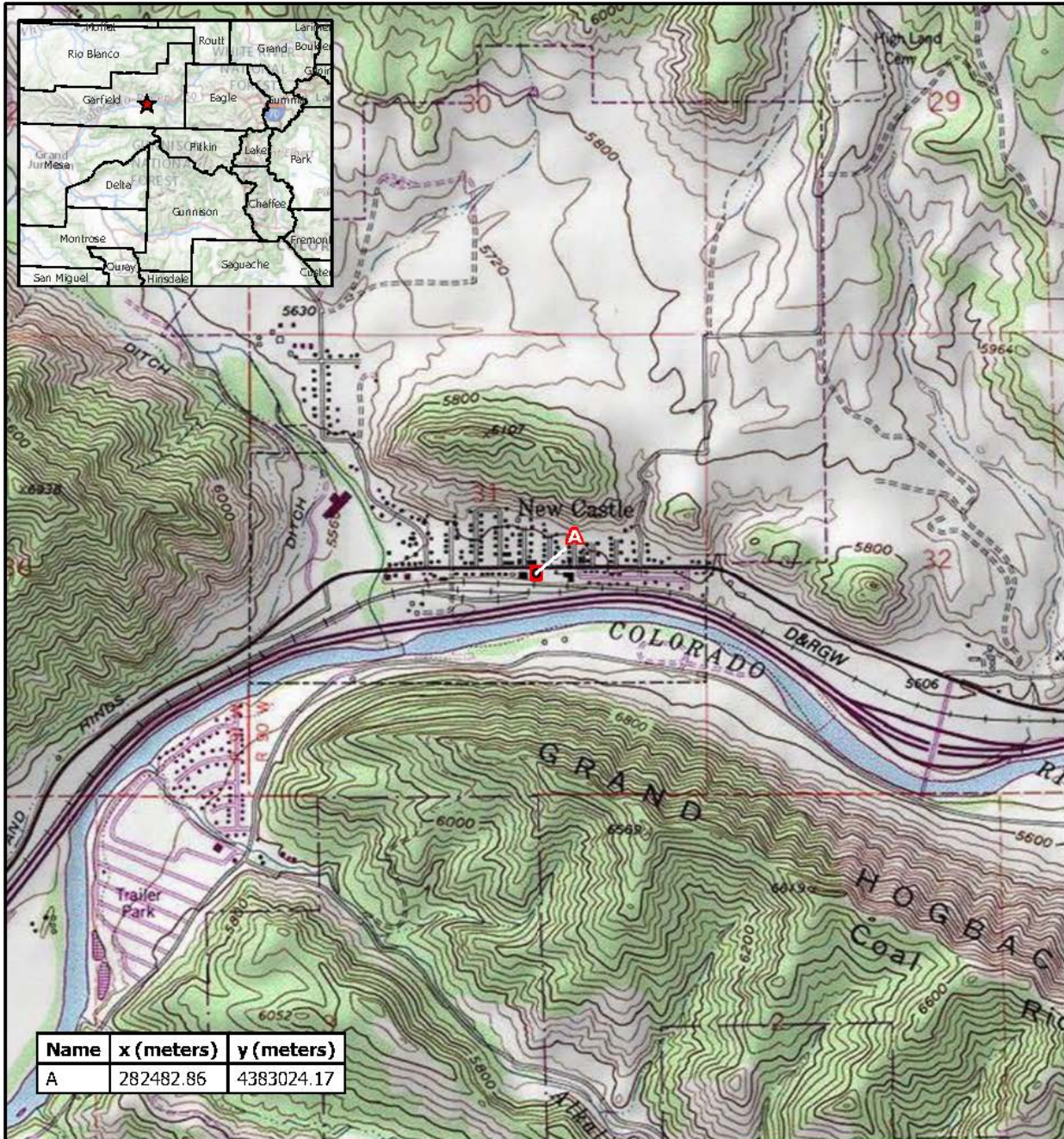
Sketch Map



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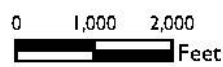
Topographic Map



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Legend

 Resource Boundary



Topographic Map

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New Castle, Colorado
Garfield County

Drawn By: CJB

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Site Photographs



Photo Number: 5GF.5919_1
Description: Looking at the primary (north) elevation of the building. Note the false front that features a stepped parapet design.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: Southeast



Photo Number: 5GF.5919_2
Description: Looking at the east and primary (north) elevations of the building.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: Southwest



Reference Photo 1

Description: Looking at the primary (north) elevation of the building circa 2012.

View: South