

## 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: Gerstner 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: 366 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: 212331109019
- \*\*9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 5, 6 Block: B Addition: ORIGINAL TWNSTE NEW CASTLE
- \*\*10. Acreage: 0.06  Actual  Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6<sup>th</sup> Township: 5S Range: 90W  
SE ¼ of SW ¼ of SW ¼ of NE ¼ of section: 31

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

- \*\*12. Location Coordinates:  
 UTM reference: Zone 13 ;mE 282391 ;mN 4383083  NAD 1927  NAD 1983  
 or  
 Lat/Long: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ ; Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  WGS84  Other:

**DESCRIPTION**

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
One-story	False Front Commercial	Poured concrete	Brick masonry structural system clad in stucco
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
Glass block windows; transom	False front with stepped parapet; front gable behind false front; corrugated metal	Metal flu	Unprotected patio along the north elevation.

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

The one-story, L-shaped building was constructed in 1928 as shown through review of Garfield County Assessor’s Office records. The approximately 58’ by 48’ building is representative of a False Front Commercial style of architecture. Architectural elements of the building consist of a poured concrete foundation; a false front with stepped parapets and clad in corrugated metal; a brick masonry structural system clad in stucco; a recessed main entryway; and glass block windows. The typical window consists of glass blocks. The main entryway is located in the center of the primary (south) elevation. The main door consists of a four-lite door that is capped by a single-lite transom. A four-lite sidelite is also located to the right of the door. A secondary entryway is located on the right side of the façade and leads to the single apartment unit. Several sconces and a wall mounted post for signage can also be noted along the primary (south) elevation. The west elevation consists of six typical windows. An unprotected patio is located along the right side of the north elevation.

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): Vacant/Residential

17. Date of Construction: 1928  
Assessor's Office

Estimated  Actual (include source): Garfield County

18. Other Significant Dates, if any: Prior to the resource's construction, Sanborn Fire Insurance maps between 1893 and 1904 indicate that a clothing store and a saloon occupied lots 5 and 6 of block B. These buildings are illustrated as being wood frame at the time. It is unclear why these buildings were demolished or replaced; however, the current resource was later constructed on these lots in 1928.

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 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications             | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement   | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other          |
| <input 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: N/A

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.

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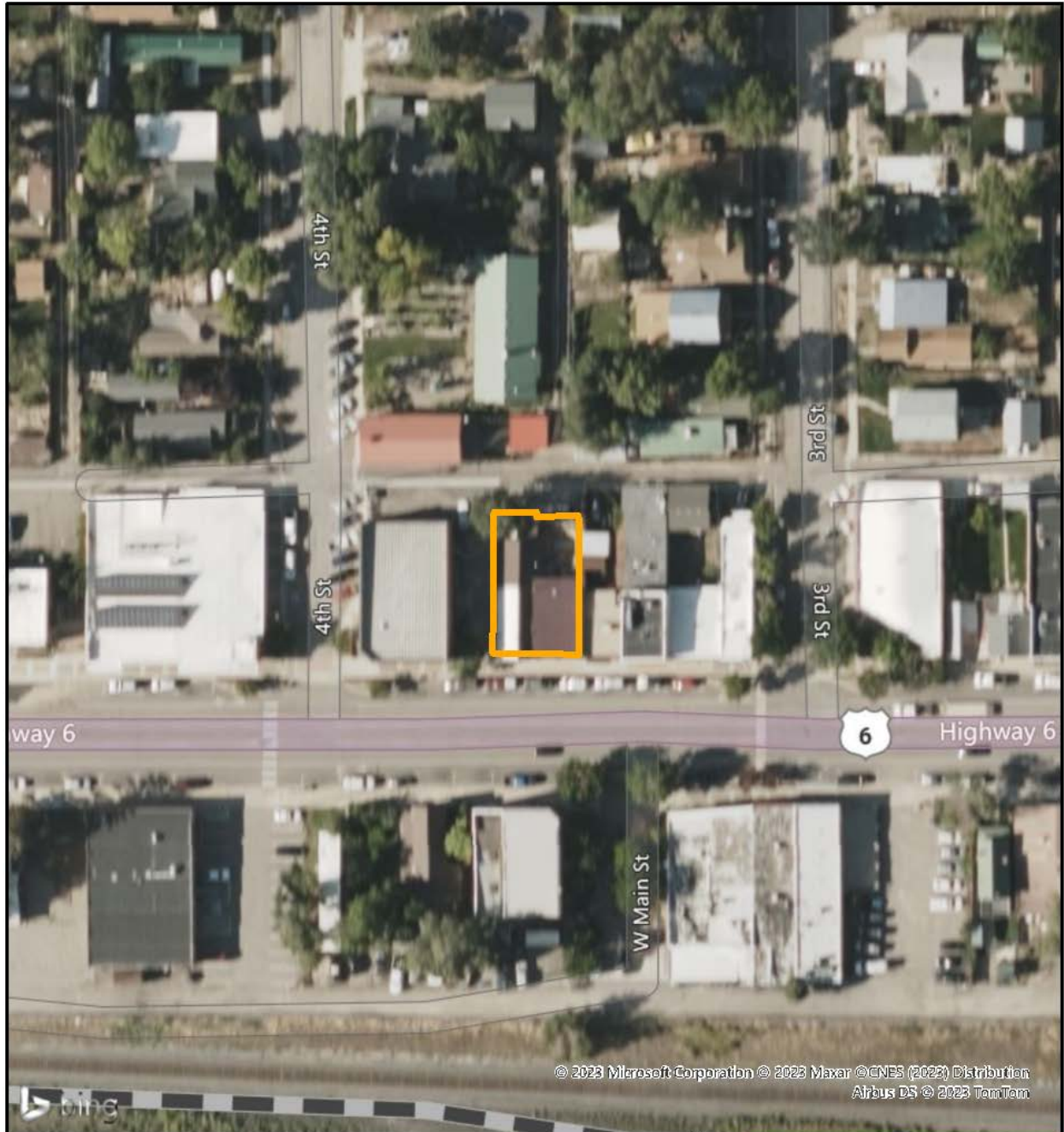
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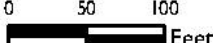


<b>FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION:</b> (To be completed by surveyor)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – NR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – SR
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Eligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligible District – Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Landmark
<b>RECORDING INFORMATION</b>
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.5912_1 to 5GF.5912_2</u>

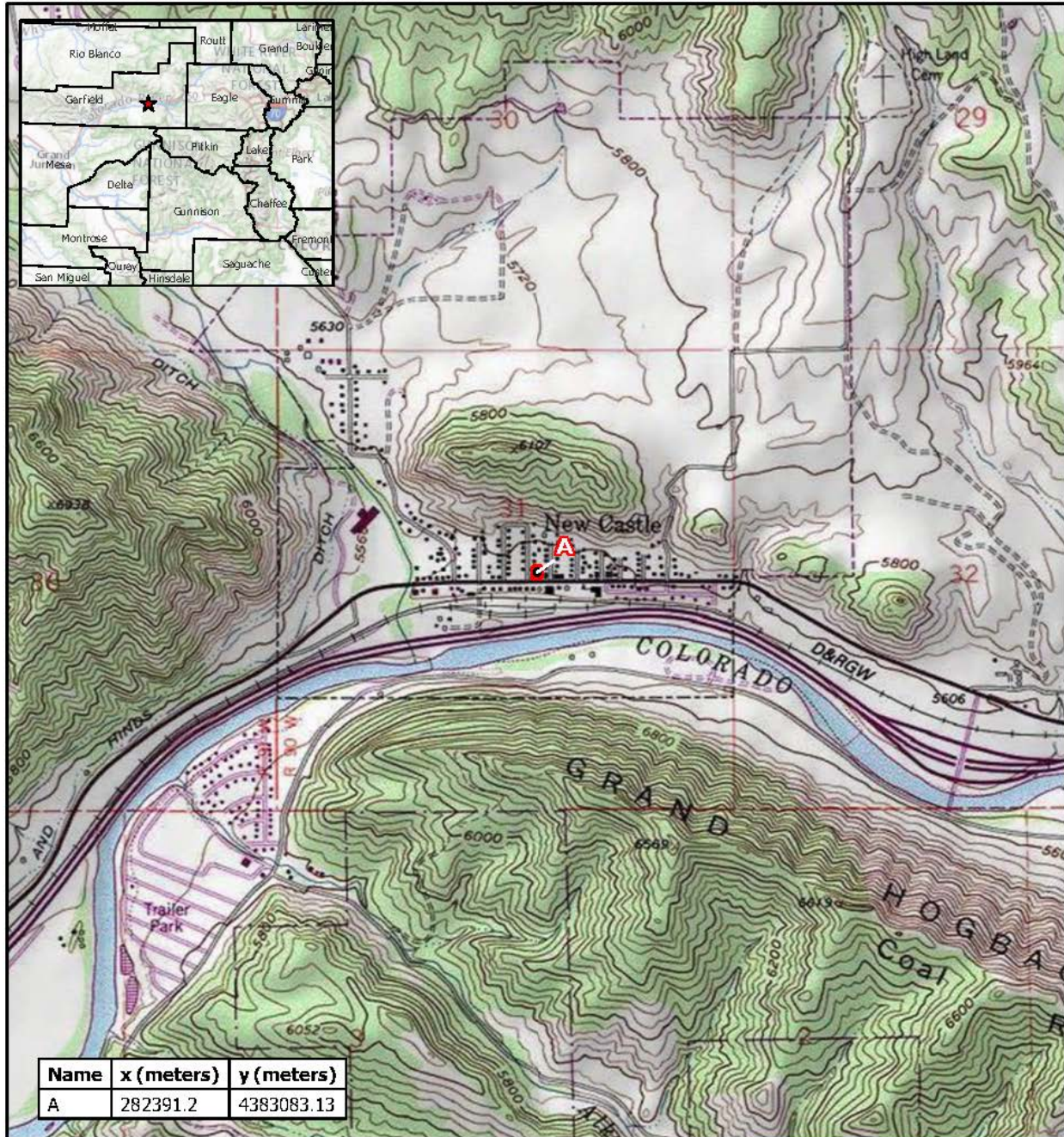
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### Sketch Map




<p><b>Legend</b></p> <p> Footprint</p> <div style="text-align: center;">    </div>	<p><b>Pinyon</b> Professional, Inc.</p> <p><b>Sketch Map</b> 366 West Main Street (5GF.5912) New Castle, Colorado Garfield County</p>				
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### Topographic Map



Name	x (meters)	y (meters)
A	282391.2	4383083.13

#### Legend

 Resource Boundary



0 1,000 2,000  
Feet



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New Castle, Colorado  
Garfield County

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### Site Photographs



**Photo Number:** 5GF.5912\_1  
**Description:** Looking at the primary (south) elevation of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** North



**Photo Number:** 5GF.5912\_2  
**Description:** Looking at the west and primary (south) elevations of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** Northeast