

# 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: Rittle Residence  Historic  Current  Other:
2. Resource Classification:  Building  Structure  Object  Sites/Landscape
3. Ownership:  Federal  State  Local  Non-profit  Private  Unknown

**LOCATION**

4. Street Address: 802 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: 212331200016
- \*\*9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): N/A Block: 16 Addition: N/A
- \*\*10. Acreage: 0.41  Actual  Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6<sup>th</sup> Township: 5S Range: 90W  
SW ¼ of SW ¼ of SE ¼ of NW 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 281967 ;mN 4383109  NAD 1927  NAD 1983
- or
- Lat/Long: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ ; Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  WGS84  Other:

**DESCRIPTION**

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
1.5-story	Italianate	Stacked stone	Brick masonry; concrete belt course along primary (south) elevation
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
Four-over-one single hung sash; one-by-one sliding sash; casement windows; segmental arches; wood sills	Front gable roof clad in metal; subordinate front and side gables; overhanging eaves; gable wall dormers	Brick masonry with racking at the chimney base	Partial length front gable porch along the primary (south) elevation; unprotected patio along the west elevation

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

The 1.5-story, rectangular shaped building was constructed in 1895 as shown through review of Garfield County Assessor’s Office records. The approximately 46’ by 38’ building is venular form of Italianate style of architecture. Architectural elements of the building include a stacked stone foundation; a front gable roof clad in corrugated metal; subordinate front and side gables; gable wall dormers; overhanging eaves; an exterior envelope clad in brick masonry; concrete belt course along primary (south) elevation; segmental arch windows; a brick masonry with racking at the chimney base; a partial length front gable porch along the primary (south) elevation; and an unprotected patio along the west elevation. The main entryway is located in the center of the primary (south) elevation. The main door consists of a wood panel door with a 6-lite window. The main entryway is capped by a front gable overhanging supported by triangular brackets. A gabled wall dormer can be noticed on the top floor of the west elevation. A secondary entryway is located on the right side of the north elevation. The door consists of a wood panel exterior door.

*Sanborn Fire Insurance* maps between 1899 and 1904 demonstrate that a full-length porch was located along the primary (south) and east elevations of the residence. The building also consisted of a smaller layout at the time. Garfield County Assessor’s Office records indicate that an addition along the north elevation was constructed in 1914. Additional records reveal that another addition was constructed along the east elevation was constructed in 1942 and the roof was replaced in 1971. A historical image of the building in 1974 demonstrates that the full-length porch along the primary (south) elevation was replaced by a partial length front gable porch. By 2010, the exposed rafter tails under the eaves were closed.

14. Associated buildings, features, or objects:

A secondary residence is located to the north of the primary residence. The approximately 38’ by 50’ building was constructed in 2019 as shown through review of historical aerial imagery. The building features a poured concrete foundation; a side gable roof clad in asphalt shingles; a full-length porch along the primary (south) elevation; and a partial length porch along the east elevation.

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: Residential

Current Function/Use (if different): Residential

17. Date of Construction: 1895  
Assessor’s Office

Estimated  Actual (include source): Garfield County

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

19. Associated NR Areas of Significance:

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| <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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**SKETCH PLAN** *include approximate scale*





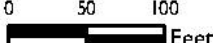
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<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
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<b>RECORDING INFORMATION</b>
Survey Date: <u>9/6/2022</u>
Surveyed By: <u>Cameron Weishoff</u>
Project Sponsor: <u>Town of New Castle</u>
Photograph Log: <u>5GF.5891_1 to 5GF.5891_3, and 6 reference photos</u>

<b>See Attachment</b>																			
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### Sketch Map

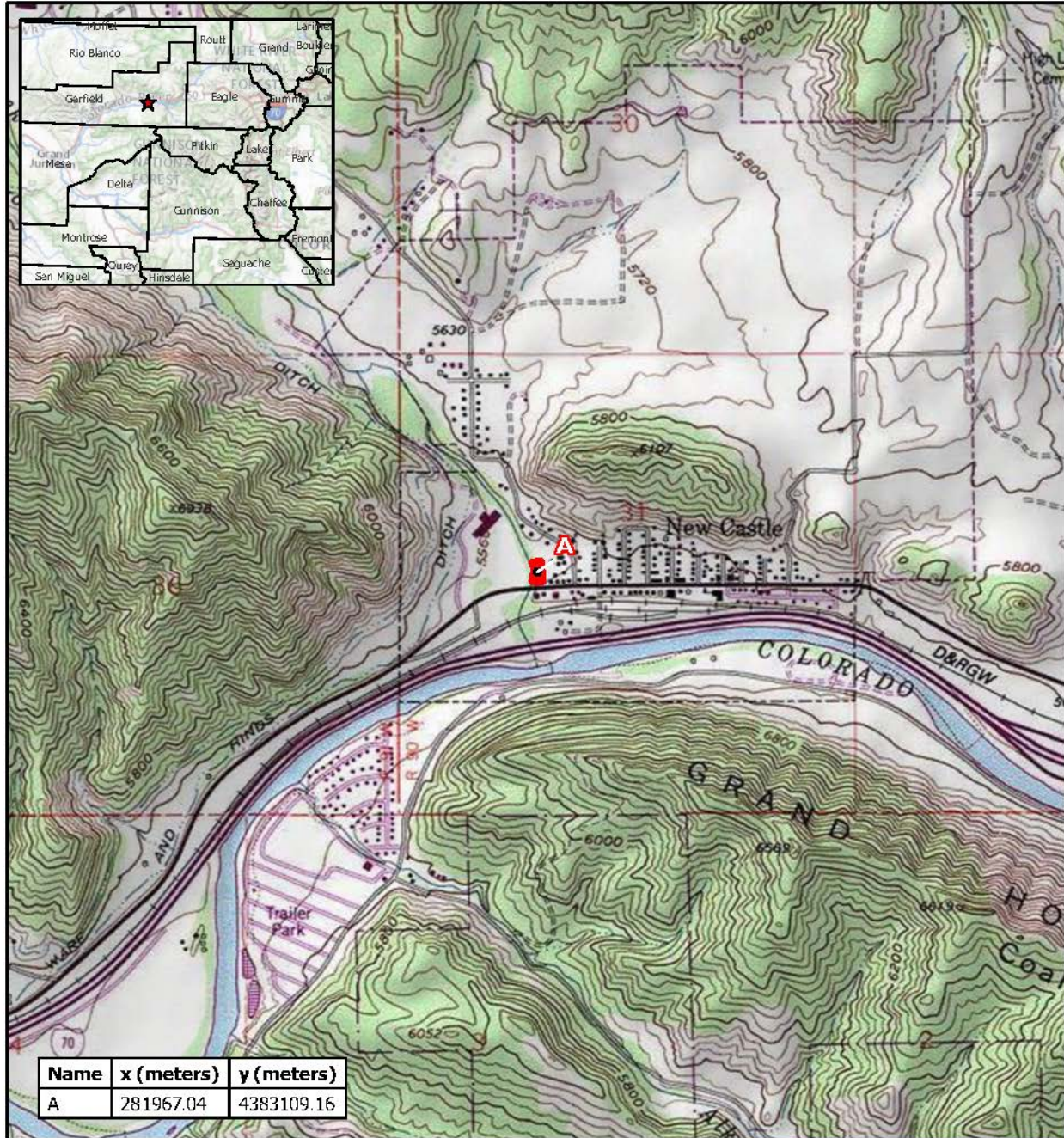


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<p><b>Legend</b></p> <p> Footprint</p> <div style="text-align: center;">           Feet     </div>	<p><b>Pinyon</b> Environmental, Inc.</p> <p><b>Sketch Map</b> 802 West Main Street (5GF.5891) New Castle, Colorado Garfield County</p>				
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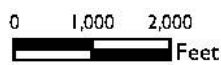
### Topographic Map



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**Legend**

 Resource Boundary



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New Castle, Colorado  
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### Site Photographs



**Photo Number:** 5GF.5891\_1  
**Description:** The primary (south) elevation of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** North



**Photo Number:** 5GF.5891\_2  
**Description:** Looking at the west and primary (south) elevations of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** Northeast





**Photo Number:** 5GF.5891\_3  
**Description:** The far-right side of the primary (south) elevation and east elevation of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** North



**Reference Photo 1**  
**Description:** Context view of the building from Main Street.  
**Date:** 1974  
**Source:** Garfield County Assessor's Office





**Reference Photo 2**

**Description:** Image label states, "Rittle Family Home"

**Date:** Unknown

**Source:** New Castle Museum Collection



**Reference Photo 3**

**Description:** Looking at the north and west elevations of the building.

**Date:** 2010

**Source:** New Castle Museum Collection

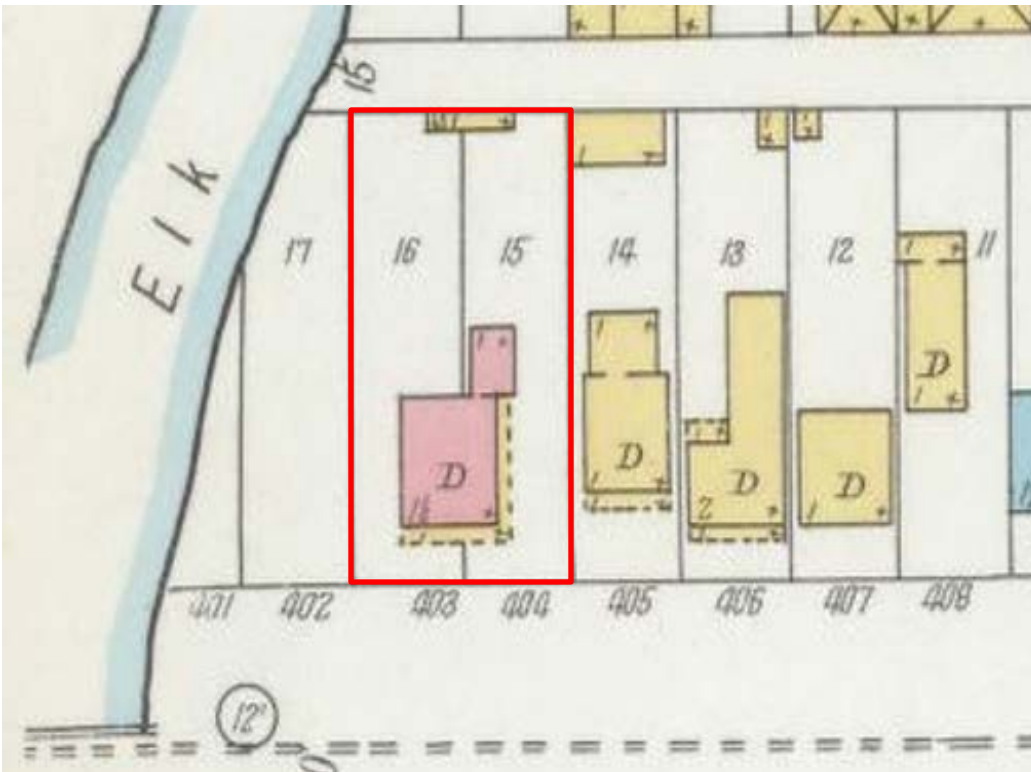


**Reference Photo 4**

**Description:** Looking at the primary (south) elevation of the building.

**Date:** 9/6/2022

**Source:** Garfield County Assessor's Office records



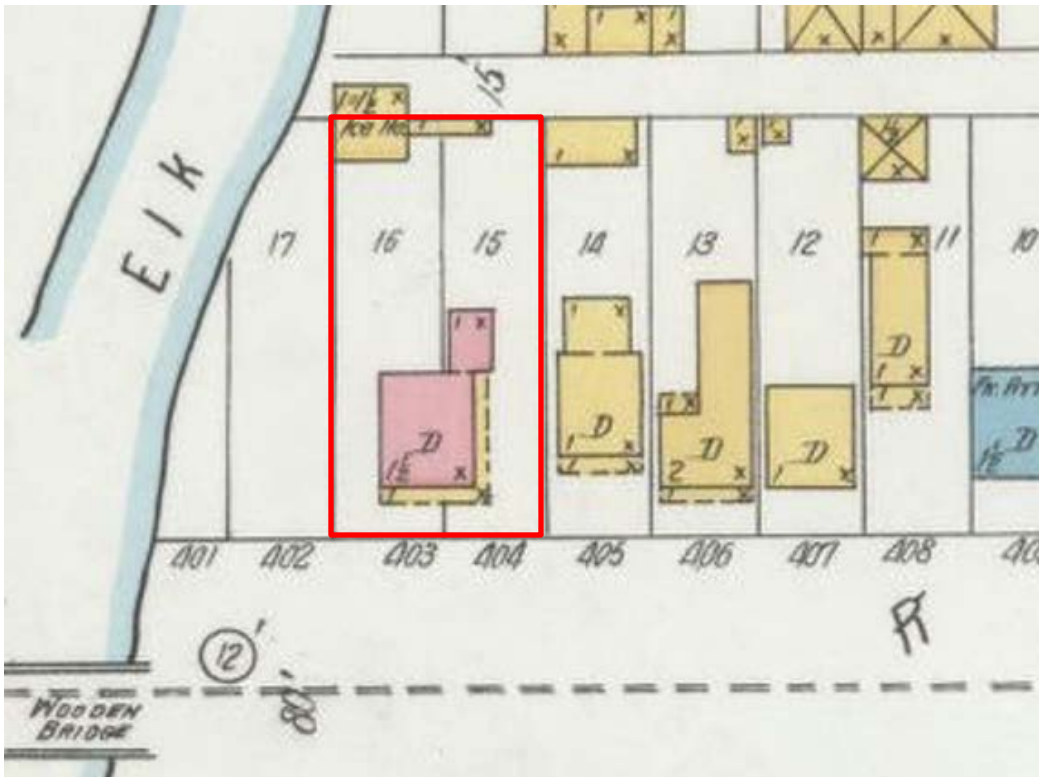
**Reference Photo 5**

**Description:** 1899 Sanborn Fire Insurance map illustrating the residence. The property is outlined in red.

**Date:** 1899

**Source:** Library of Congress





**Reference Photo 6**

**Description:** 1904 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource. The property is outlined in red.

**Date:** 1904

**Source:** Library of Congress