

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION PLANNING DEPARTMENT 701 OCEAN STREET, 4[™] FLOOR, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060 (831) 454-2580 FAX: (831) 454-2131 TDD: (831) 454-2123 TOM BURNS, PLANNING DIRECTOR

June 30, 2009

AGENDA: July 9, 2009

HISTORIC RESOURCE PRESERVATION PLAN REVIEW

Existing Site Conditions

Parcel Size:Approximately 205,847 +- square feet Use:Community Facility/ School

Planning Policies

Planning Area:	Carbonera
Zone District:	
General Plan Land Use Designation:	
Coastal Zone:	· ·

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Application for Historic Resource Preservation Plan approval for alterations and site improvements to an existing designated historic resource, including alterations to the existing structure (enclosure of the existing breezeway and extension of roofline to create a new entry, and installation of solar panels on the eastern-facing (rear) portion of the roof); site improvements including a new fence along the front and north side of the structure, construction of a new accessibility ramp, expansion of existing parking to comply with parking regulations, and new signage; and site improvements at the rear of the structure including a new garbage enclosure, expansion of an existing deck and construction of a new deck, swimming pool and hot tub, and new signage (Exhibits E and G). No changes are proposed to the main façade of the structure. Requires Historic Preservation Plan Review.

II. DISCUSSION

A. Background and Site Description

The existing building on this parcel is listed in the County's Historic Resources Inventory (HRI) with a historic rating of NR5, which the County Code defines as "property determined to have local historical significance." The site was first evaluated in 1986 and was determined to be ineligible for designation as an historic resource. In 1995 the property was reevaluated, and was determined to be eligible for listing as an NR5 property.

The property is significant both due to the structure itself, and for its association with local history. According to the HRI, this building was originally constructed in 1885 as a residence for George M. Shipley, who established the Rocky Hill Dairy on the site. In the 1920's, the house was purchased and occupied by a family who built the structure on the adjacent property to the south (currently the Moose Lodge) for use as a road house and tourist camp. The structure has local historic significance due to its association with the Rocky Hill Dairy, and its association with transition of the local economy from agricultural to tourist-based.

The house itself has architectural significance as an example of a two-story Queen Anne style structure, with a 1930's moderne-style addition. Significant architectural features include "three lower cross gables on a hipped roof and a triangular bay on the entry level façade." The 1930's addition is a "single-story 'L' shaped arcade that wraps around the street façade and one side of the house. Grouped piers with simple moldings for capitals and bases support a heavy cornice composed of shiplap frieze, a projecting board cornice and the low wall of horizontal boarding for the roof terrace above." The HRI goes on to state that "although changed considerably from its original appearance, the blending of stylistic attributes from two architectural periods makes for an interesting, eclectic structure."

The HRI form does not indicate whether the single-story portion of the structure at the north-east corner and rear (east side) of the building was added as part of the 1930's addition, or was added later. However, this portion of the structure was present when the HRI was completed, and is visible in the photograph on the HRI. The L-shaped single-story portion of the structure located to the north of the two-story dwelling with the connecting breezeway was constructed in 1986.

The building is located on the west side of El Rancho Drive in the Carbonera area (Exhibit A). The building sits on fairly level area in the western portion of the lot. The building is visible from Highway 17. The parcel is triangular in shape, with about 1,000 feet of frontage along El Rancho Drive (Exhibit C). A dry gulch runs along the east side of the property, with Carbonera Creek cutting through the southwest corner of the property (Exhibit B).

B. Purview of the HRC

Your Commission is requested to consider an Historic Resource Preservation Plan as provided for in Section 16.42.060 of the County Code to address minor alterations and site improvements to a designated historic resource, as noted in the project description in Section. In so doing, your Commission will be considering the effect of the proposal on the architectural and historic integrity, significance, and setting of the existing historic building.

C. Historic Preservation Criteria

General Plan Policies 5.20.3 and 5.20.4 require that development activities on property containing historic resources protect, enhance, and/or preserve the "historic, cultural, architectural, engineering, or aesthetic values of the resource as determined by the Historic Resources Commission" based on the

Commission's review and approval of historic preservation plans. Chapter 16.42 of the County Code implements those General Plan Policies.

County Code Subsection 16.42.040(a) and Section 16.42.060 are applicable to the proposal. Subsection 16.42.040(a) states, in relevant part, that

"no person shall make or cause any material change to the exterior of an historical structure. . .unless such action is in conformance with a valid Historic Resource Preservation Plan approved by the Historic Resources Commission".

Subsection 16.42.060 (c)1, Historic Preservation Criteria, requires that alteration of historic resources and new construction on historic properties meet certain criteria. Those criteria are attached (Exhibit D), each followed by a discussion of the applicability of the criterion and how the proposal does or does not meet that criterion.

III. CONCLUSION

The proposal involves minor alterations to the historic structure and the construction of site improvements, including a new fence. Based upon the attached plans (Exhibit G), the attached findings (Exhibit I) and as conditioned, the proposed work is consistent with the requirements of County Code regarding alteration of historic resources.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Therefore, it is RECOMMENDED that your Commission Approve the Historic Resource Preservation Plan as submitted (Exhibit E), the project plans marked Exhibit G, with the expiration date for the project to be determined by the Zoning Administrator, based upon the attached findings (Exhibit H and 1), and the following Conditions of Approval:

- 1. If any artifact or other evidence of a Native American cultural site that reasonably appears to exceed 100 years of age or if human remains are exposed, activity shall cease and desist until an Archaeological Site Development Approval can be issued under County Code sections 16.40.040 and 16.40.050.
- 2. All visible replacement material and color shall visually match the existing materials.
- 3. The project architect shall incorporate minor changes in the design for the breezeway enclosure to indicate that the new entryway is a recent addition. The design changes shall be submitted to staff for review and approval prior to issuance of the building permit.

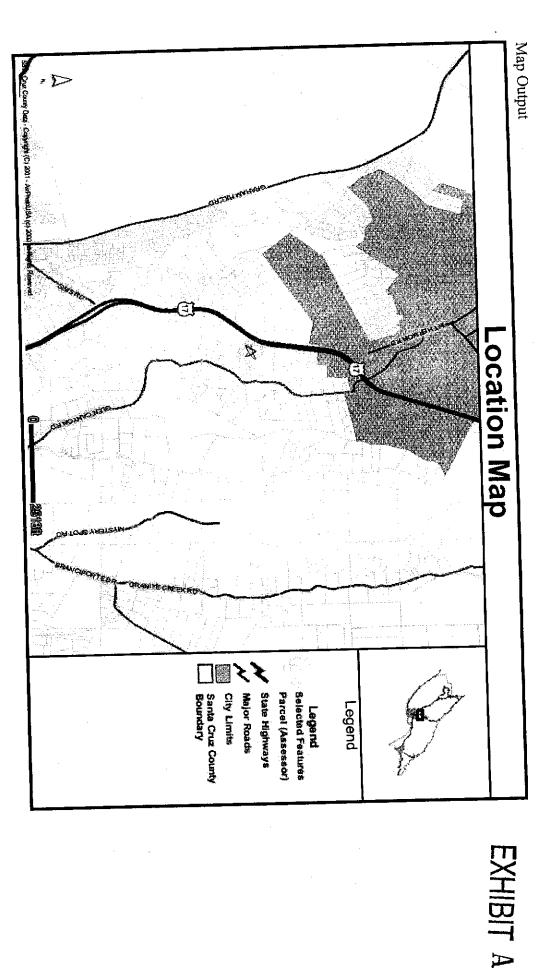
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Annie Murphy Secretary to the Commission

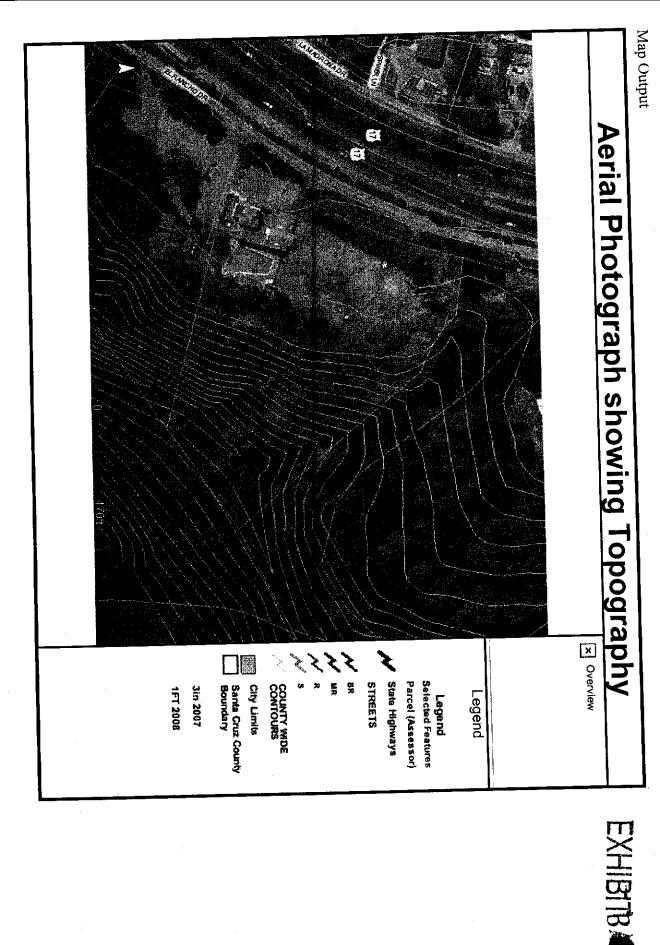
Exhibits

- A. Location Map
- B. Aerial Photograph with site topographyC. Assessors' Parcel Map
- D. Historic Resources Inventory pages for the subject site
- E. Applicant's Historic Preservation Plan
 F. Copies of Photos of the structure
 G. Copies of the Project Plans

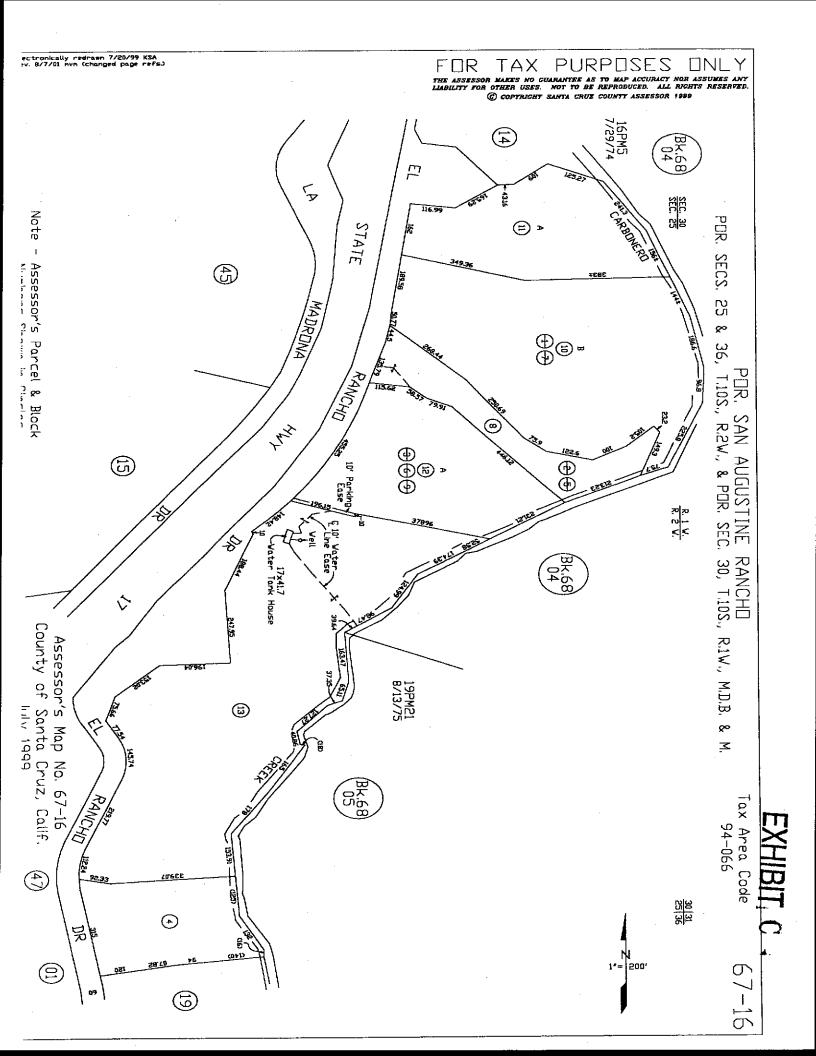
- H. Alteration Criteria
- I. Findings



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State of California - The Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Ser. No Nat. Register Status<u> 5 (s 1</u>)

EXHIBIT D

- Local designation 1. Historic name_<u>Rocky Hill Datry Farm</u>
- *2. Common or current name _____El Rancho Pre-School
- "3. Number & street______2474 E1_ Rancho Rd._____Cross-corridor
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 City_____Santa_Cruz_____Vicinity only_____Zip__05060_County___Santa_Cruz
 4. UTM zone

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 B
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 D

5. Quad map No. Parcel No. 067-161-12 Other

DESCRIPTION

- 6. Property category <u>building</u> If district, number of documented resources
- •7. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the property, including condition, boundaries, related features, surroundings, and (if appropriate) architectural style.

The structure is a two story Queen Anne style building with a 1930s addition. The original house was a simplified two story Queen Anne-structure with three lower cross gables on a hipped roof and a triangular bay on the entry level facade. The gable ends are treated with a stickwork and siding is horizontal wood. The addition is comprised of a single story "L" shaped arcade that wraps the street facade and one side of the house. Grouped piers with simple moldings for capitals and bases support a heavy cornice composed of a shiplap frieze, a projecting hoard cornice and the low wall of horizontal boarding for the roof terrace above. The arcade is open on the street facade of the addition and the projecting cornice runs around it. A brick chimney has been installed on the street facade of the addition and the projecting cornice runs around it. Although changed considerably from its original appearance, the blending of stylistic attributes from two architectural periods makes for an interesting, eclectic structure.



8. Planning agency County_Planning

Owner & address Fry, Rose Marie & Lorraine Stern 5742 San Miguel Canyon Rd Watsonville, CA 95076

- 10. Type of ownership <u>private</u>
- 11. Present use <u>Preschool</u>

12. Zoning RA

13. Threats None Apparent

Send a copy of this form to: State Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. box 942895, Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

*Complete these items for historic preservation compliance projects under Section 106(36CFR800). All items must be completed for historical resources survey information.

DPR 523 (Rev. 6/90)

EXHIBIT D

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Date moved 14. Construction date(s) 1885 E Original location Same

15. Alterations & date remodel in 1930s

- Builder__ Unknown 16. Architect unknown
- 17. Historic attributes (with number from list) _____HP2

SIGNIFICANCE AND EVALUATION

- 18. Context for evaluation: Theme_architecture/acricultureArea_Santa_Cruz_County Period 1850-1940 Property type HP 2, HP33 (Farm, Ranch)
 - Context formally developed? Yes

*19. Briefly discuss the property's importance within the context. Use historical and architectural analysis as appropriate. Compare with similar properties.

The house was originally built for George M. Shipley who established a dairy on this property. The property was later owned by a family who built the structure adjacent to it in the 1920s as a road house and tourist camp. The house was purchased by the Moose Lodge who recently sold it for use as a school. Although the house and grounds have been changed, the property has local historical significance for its use as a dairy farm and its connection to the roadhouse next door which was part of the evolution of the Santa Cruz economy from agricultural to tourist based,

20. Sources County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources S.C. County Historical Resources Commission and Planning Dept., 1989.

County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources Update and Context Statement.

S. C. County Historical Resources Commission, 1994.

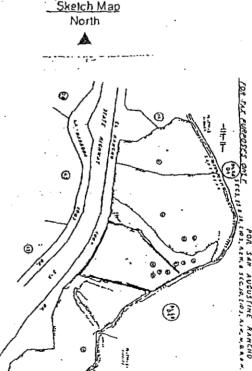
21 Applicable National Register criteria... NA

22 Other recognition State Landmark No. (il applicable)

24. Survey type <u>Comprehensive</u>

25. Survey name County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources Update

26.Year form prepared 1995 By (name) Sugan Lehmann, Consultant Organization for S.C. County Historical Resources Commission and County Planning Dept. Address 701 Ocean Street City & Zip<u>Santa Cruz 95060</u> Phone (408) 454-2123



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EXHIBIT D -

El Rancho Pre-School (2474 El Rancho)

ADDENDUM-1994

PHYSICAL INSPECTION

Date: November 17, 1993

Result of Inspection: No apparent changes.

CONSULTANT'S PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS:

This structure is an interesting combination of two architectural styles: Queen Anne and moderne. In addition, it has historical significance within Context 1 (agriculture) due to its association with the Rocky Hill dairy farm. It should be upgraded to 5.

(Change of rating pending public hearing before the Historical Resources Commission with final approval by the Board of Supervisors).

Context: 1 (agriculture), 2 (Architecture)

Property type: farm house (remodeled as school).

Santa Cruz County Historic Resources Preservation Plan EXHIBIT E application form for projects involving historic resources, <u>except</u> for demolition without reconstruction

Please complete the following regarding your proposed project and return it to the Planning Department. You may submit this application by mail or you may drop it off in person at the Planning Department General Information Desk (GID). You do not need to make an appointment to drop off the completed application. There is no fee for this application.

Please be clear, complete, and concise. This information will be used to evaluate your project. Use additional sheets if necessary. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED INFORMATION WILL DELAY THE PROCESSING OF YOUR APPLICATION.

<u>Owner</u> <u>Applicant</u>	
Name: <u>PUESELL & ELLE TERGHEY</u> Name: JIM WEAVER	
Address: MON EGGALONA DAVE Address: 206 MOPPISEY BUD.	
GANTA CPUZ, CA 95060 GANTA CPUZ, CA	
Phone Number: 831. 413. 8506 Phone Number: 831. 457. 2033	
Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 67. 16(. 12	
Site Address: 2474 EL PAN CHO DRIVE, GANTA OPUZ, CA. 95060	
Historic and/or Common Name: N/A	
Present Use: PFE. GCHOOL Proposed Use: PFE. GCHOOL	
Type of Project	
Alteration V Sign Review New Construction Restoration	
RelocationDemolition with reconstructionHistoric Site Ground Disturbance	
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3. Please describe how the project will comply with the Historic Preservation Criteria contained in Section 16.42.060 of the Historic Resources Preservation Ordinance (see enclosed information).

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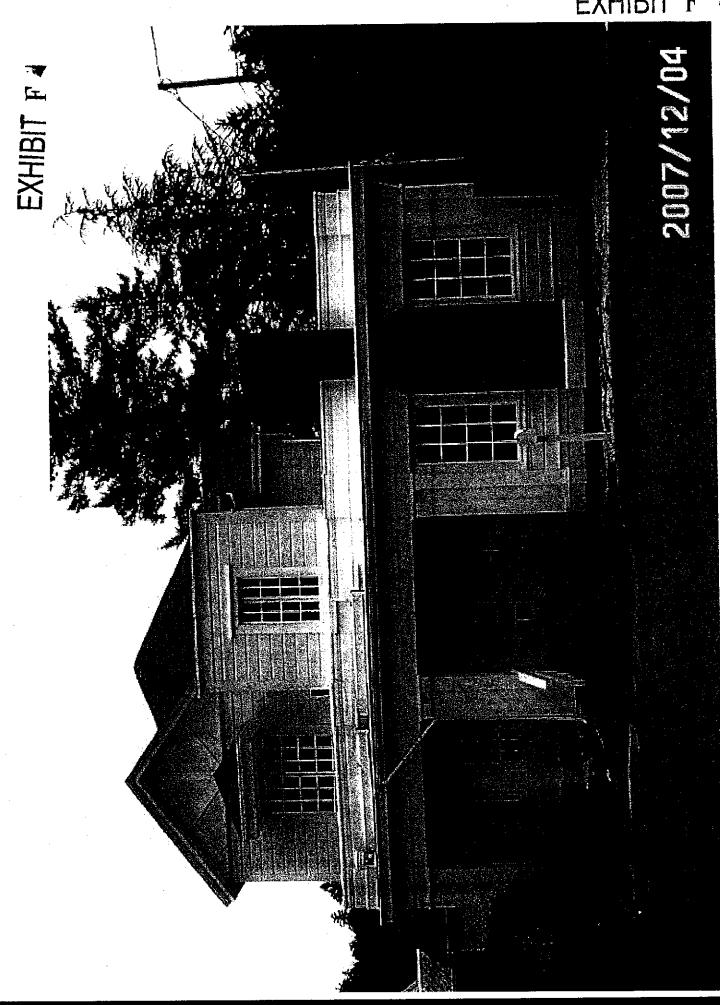
4. Please provide any additional information about the history and/or architecture of the property/site. GEE ATTACHED.

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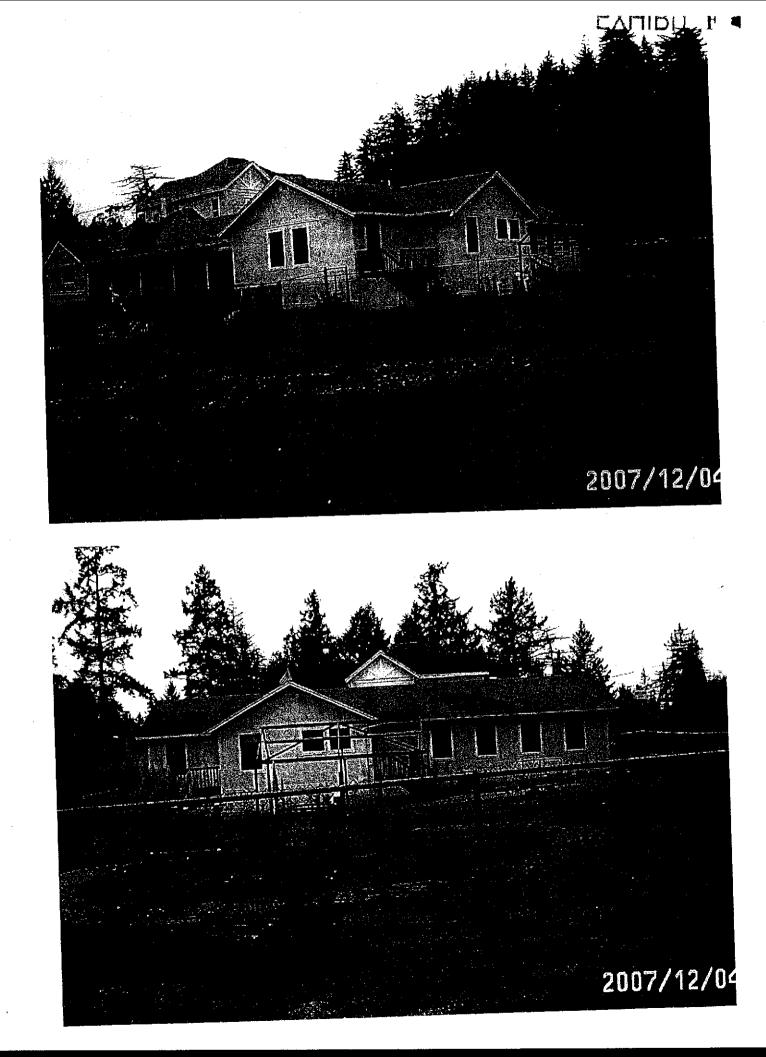
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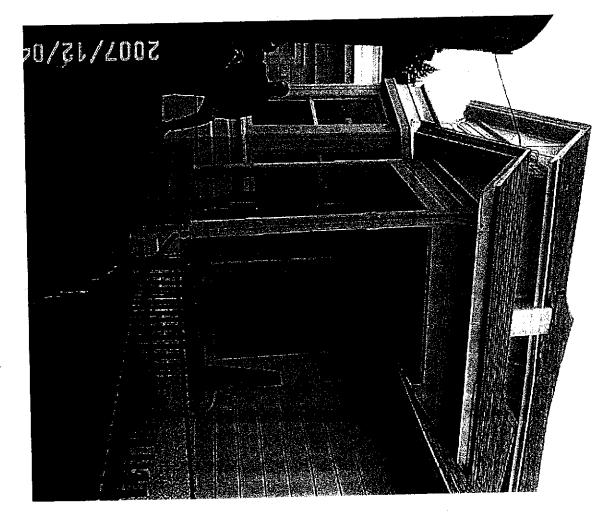
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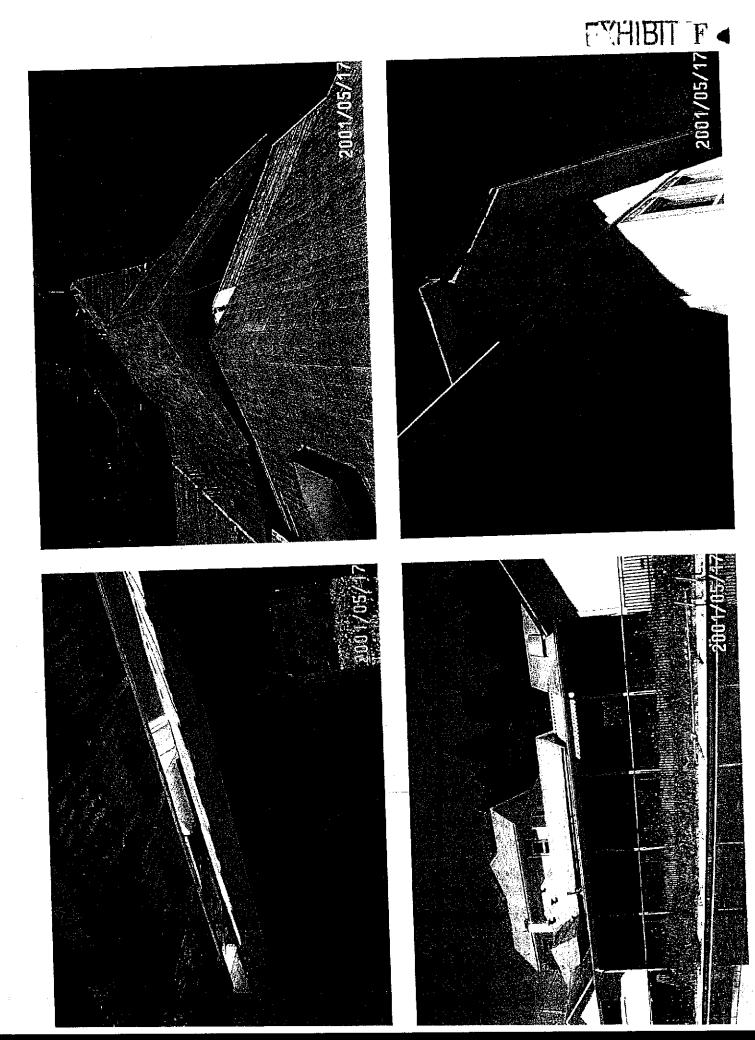


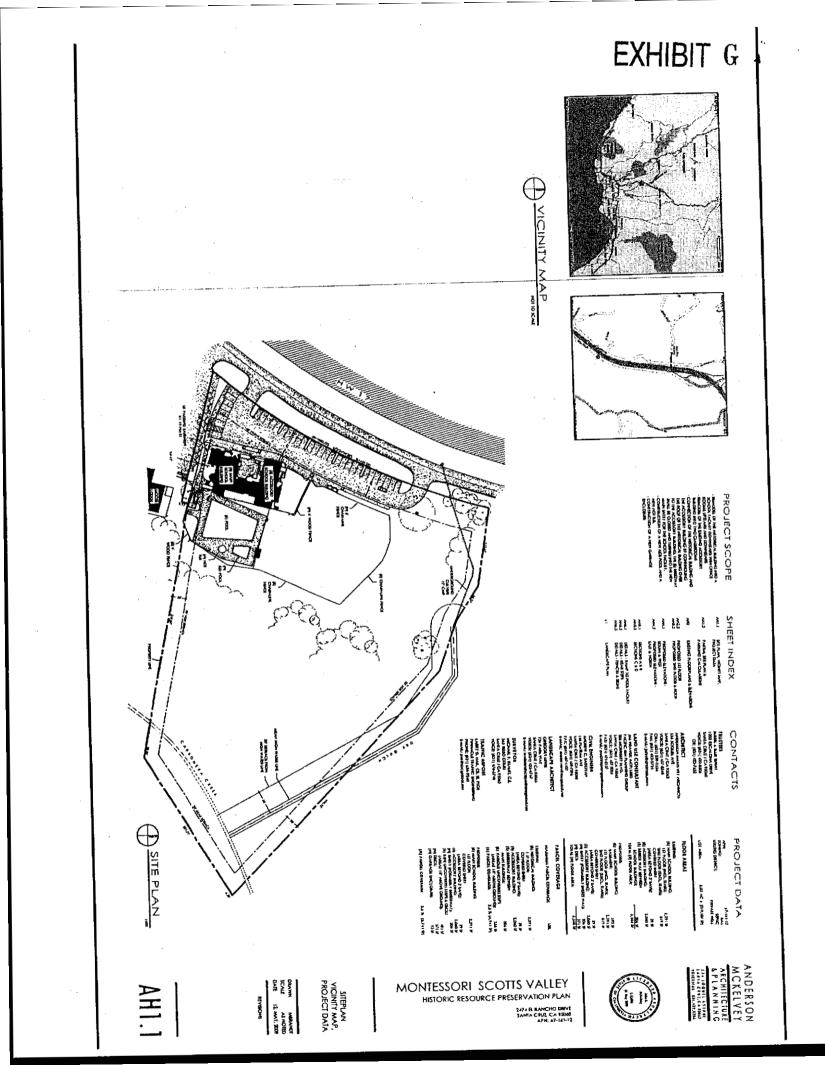


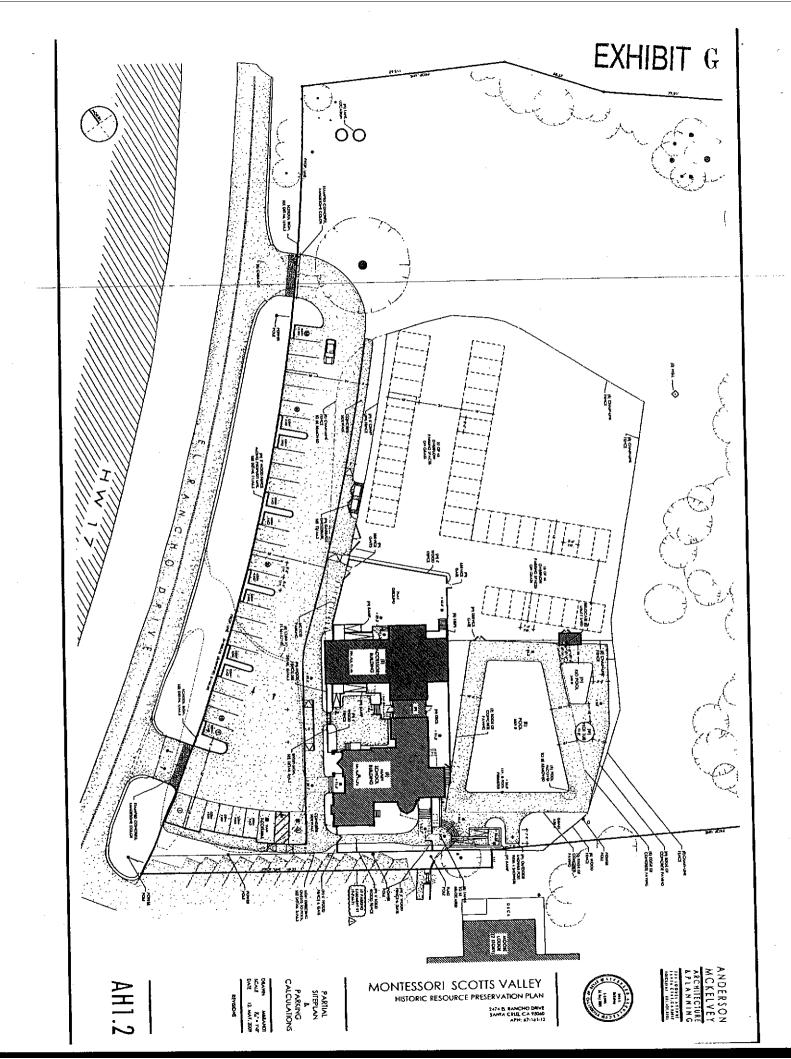


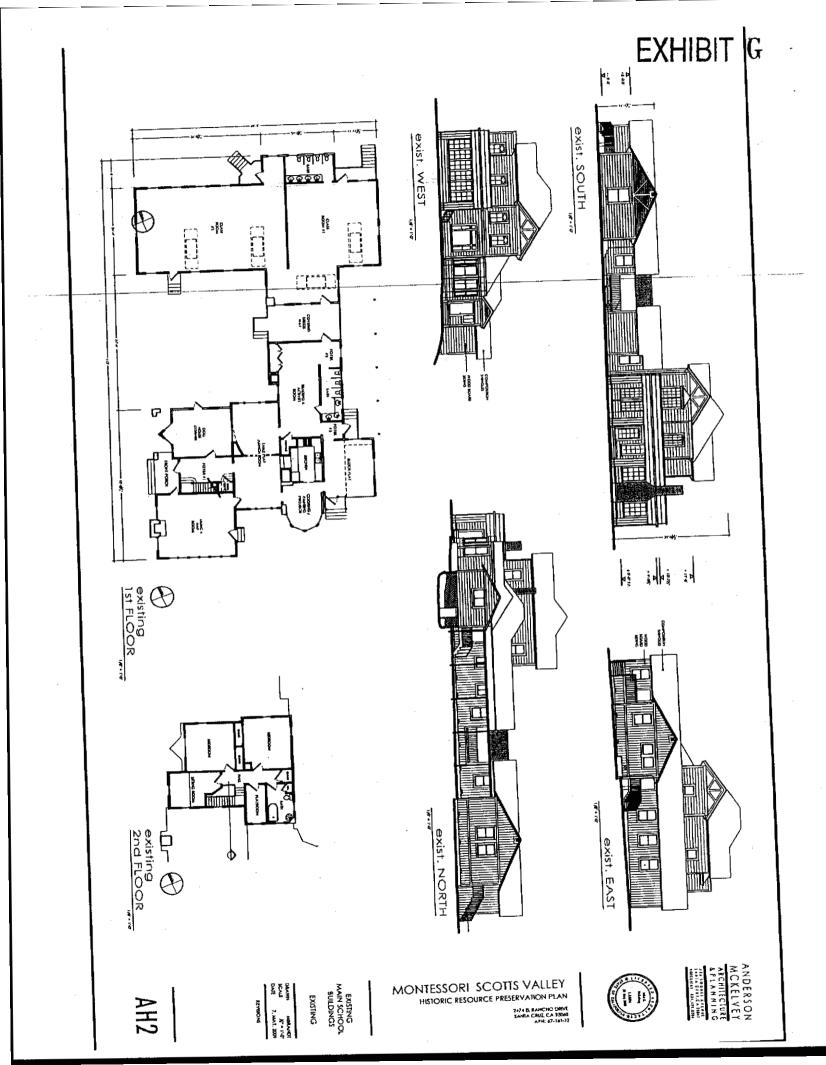


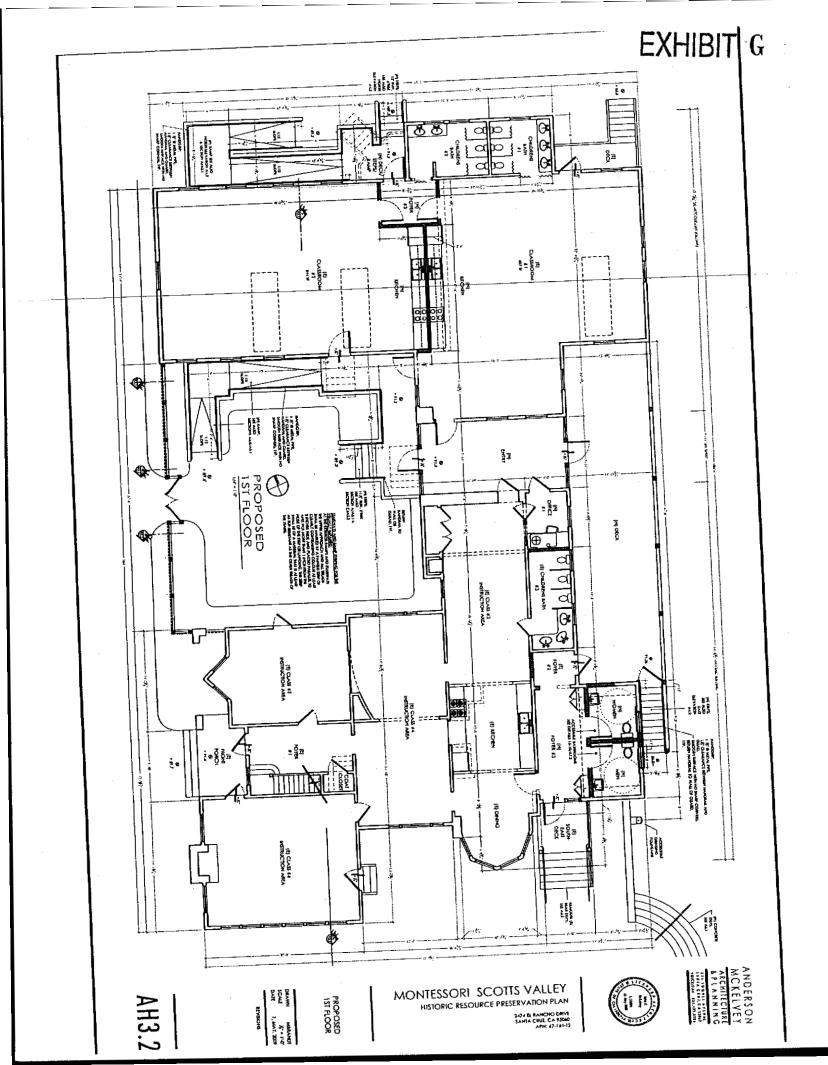


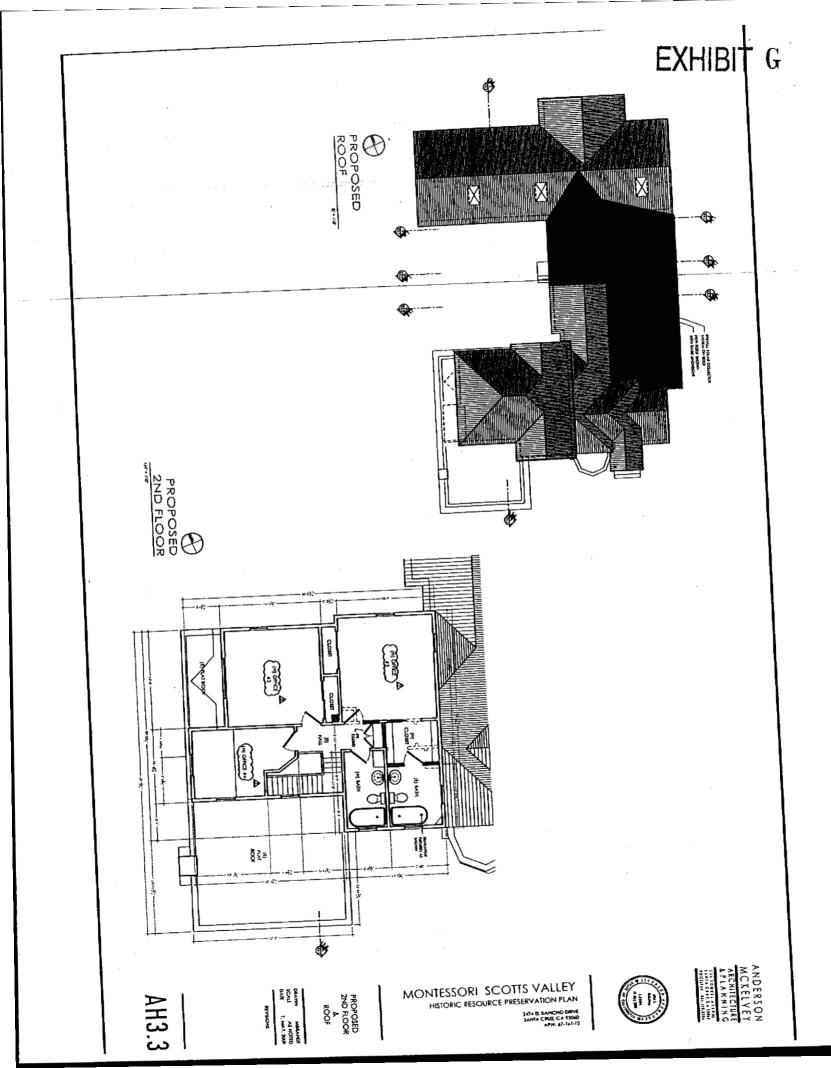


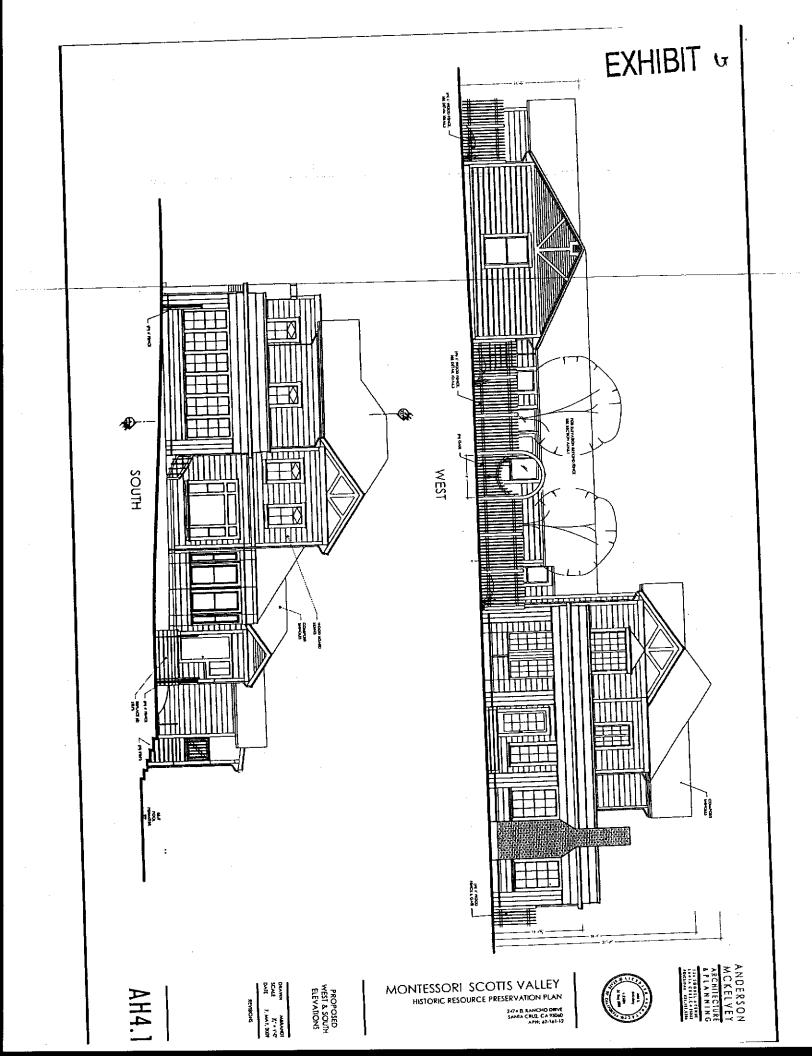


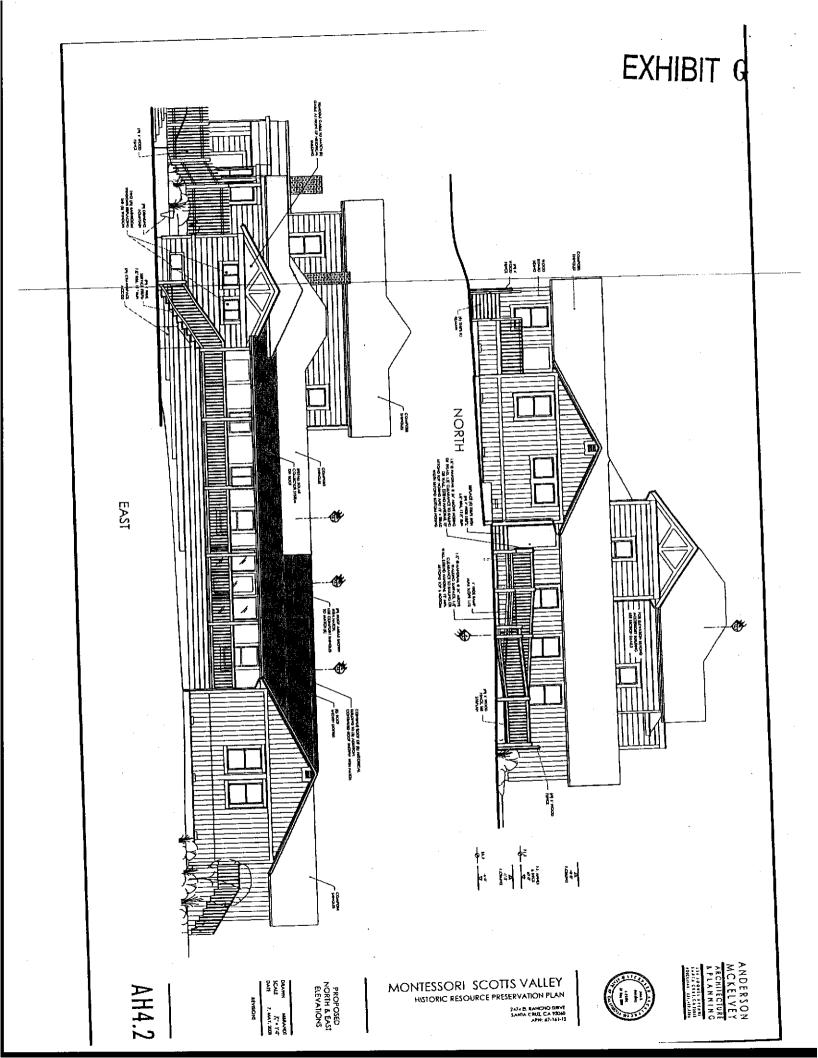


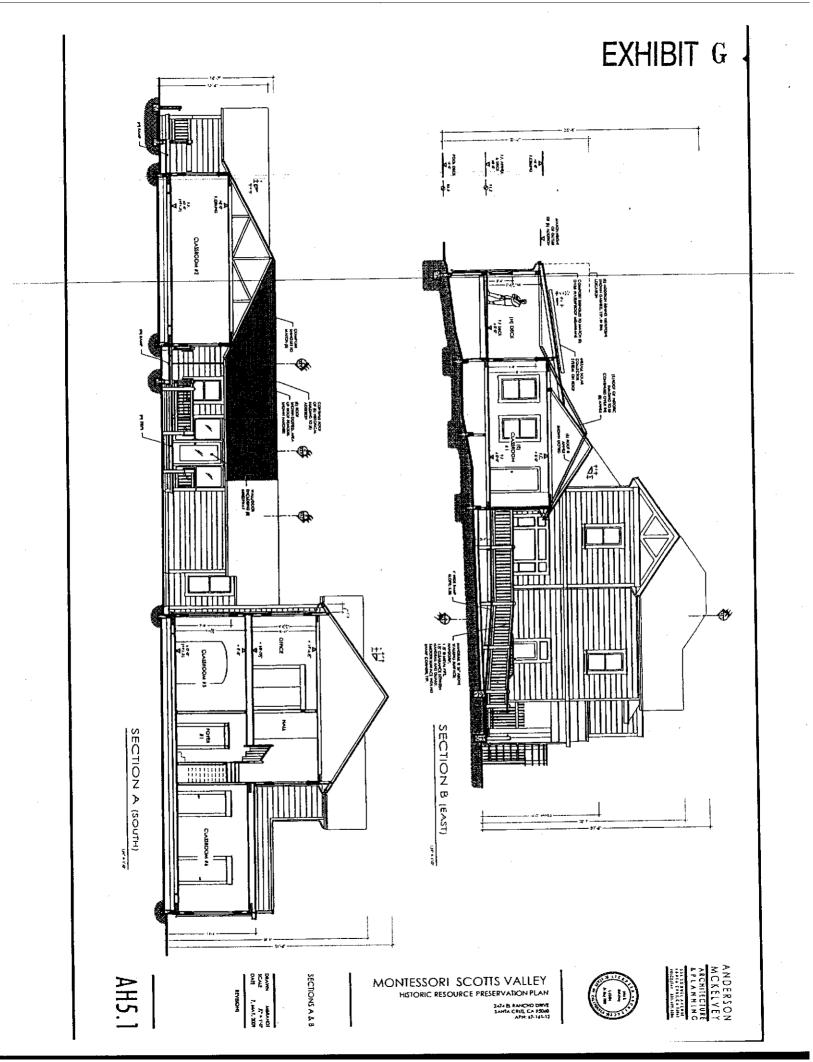


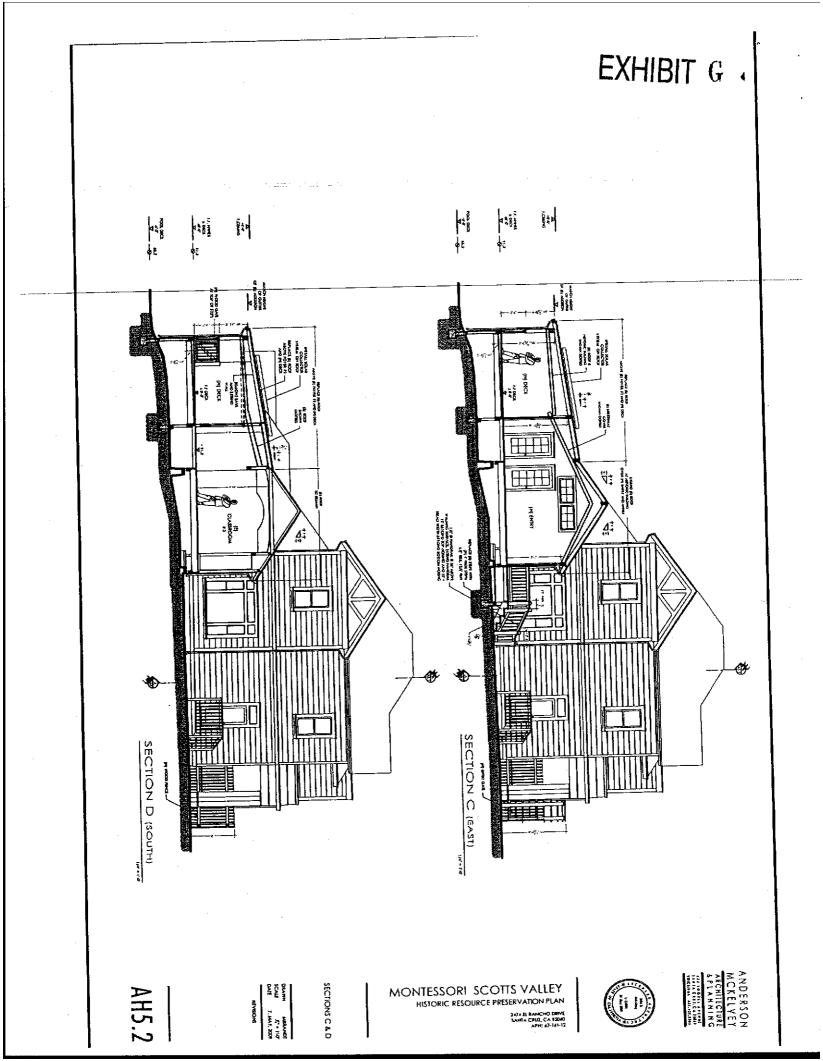


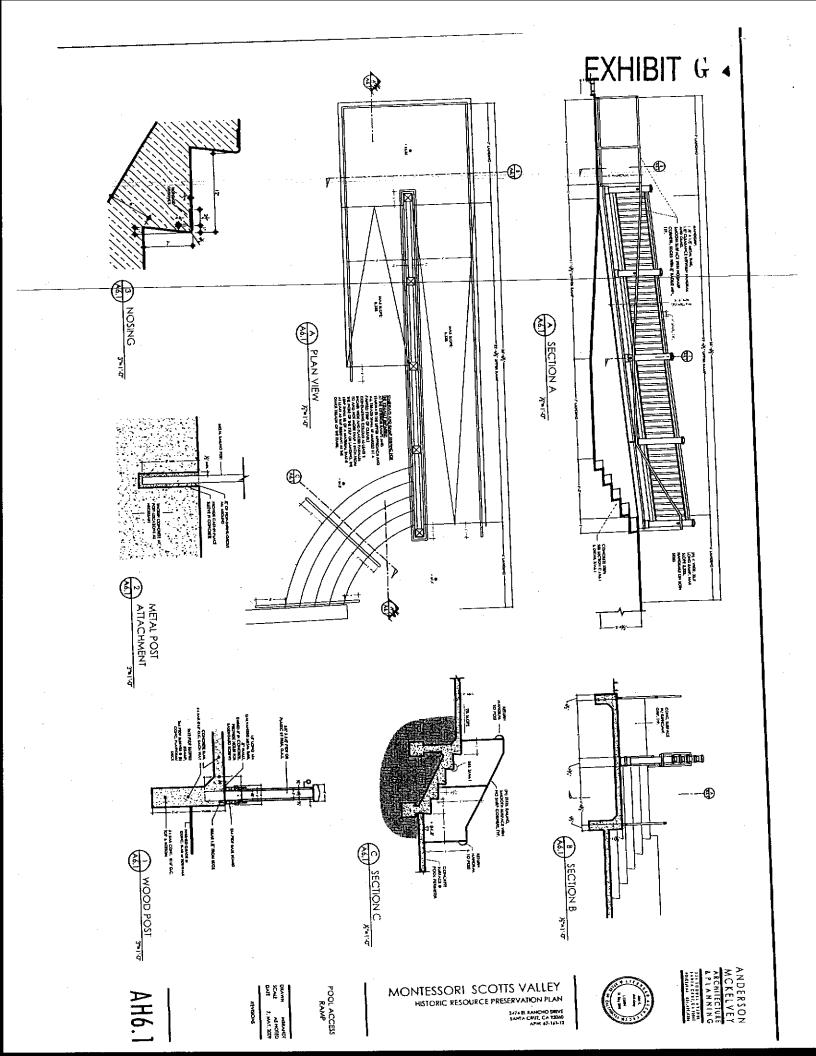


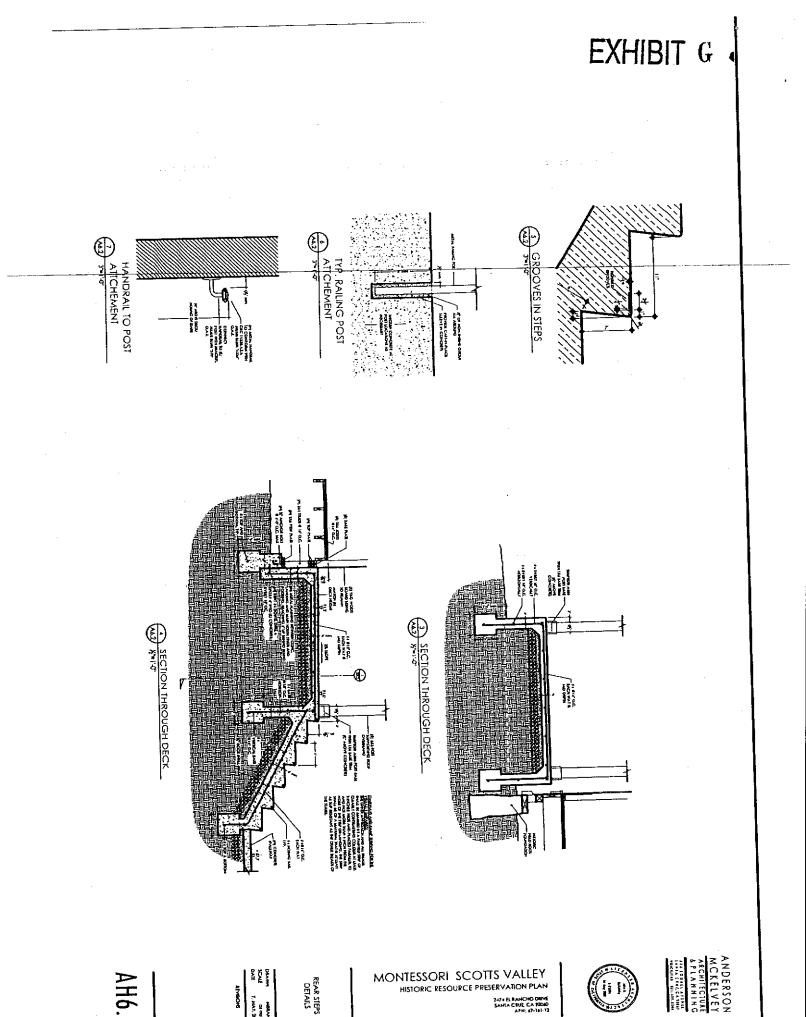










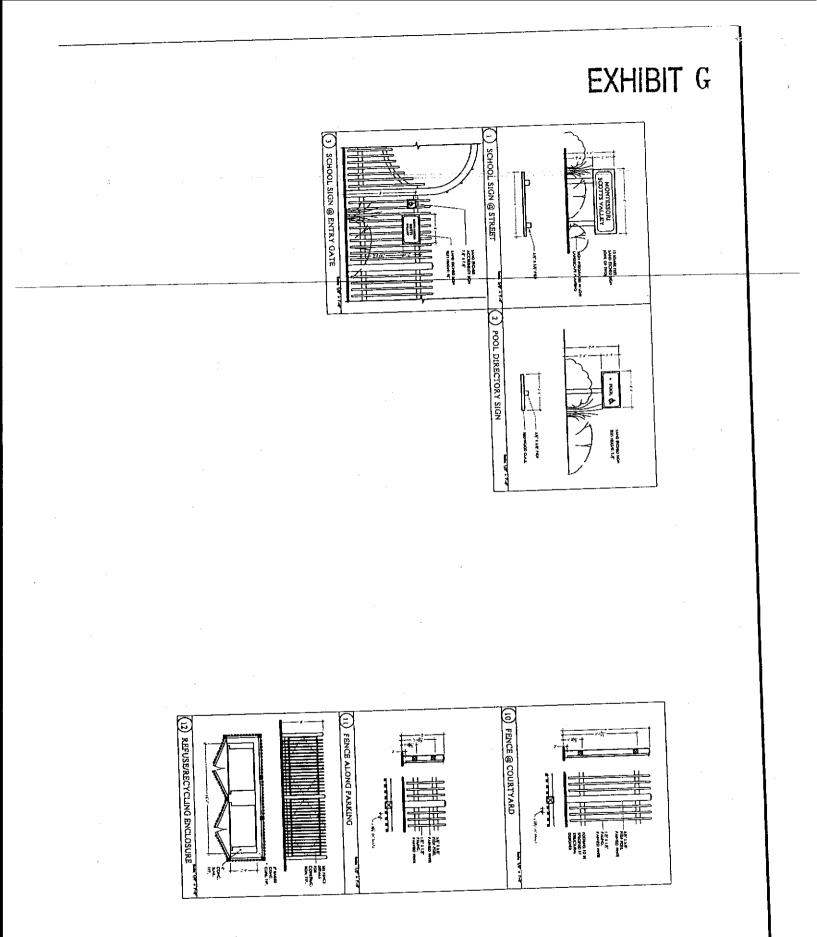


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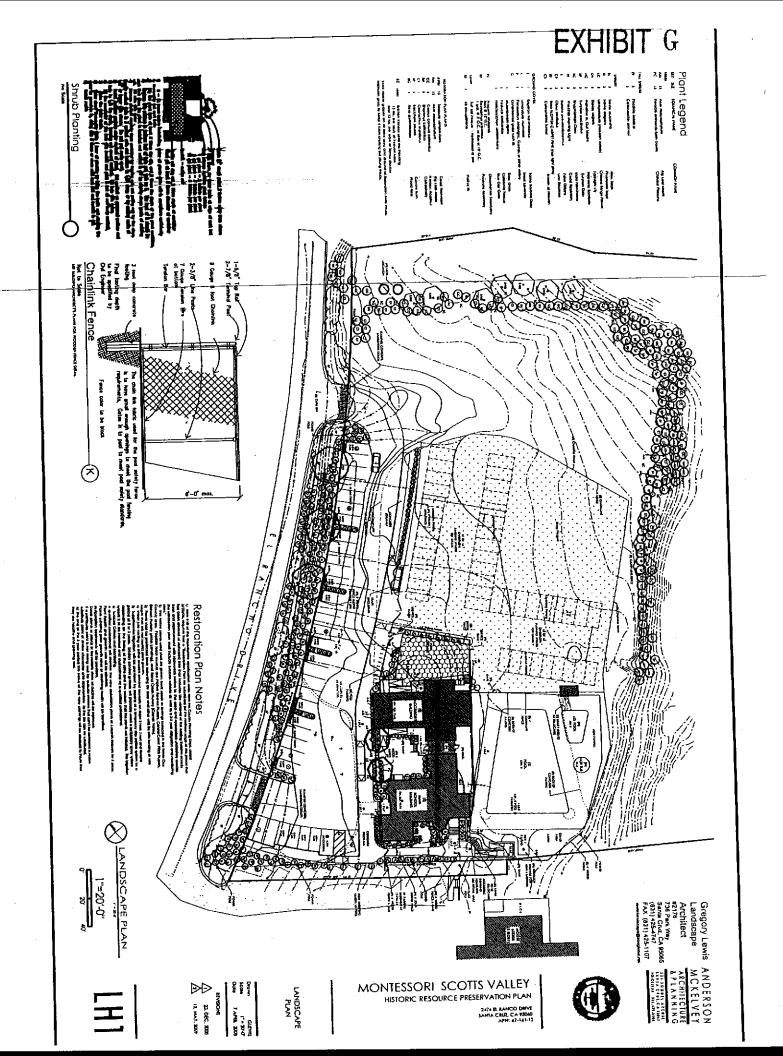


EXHIBIT H

ALTERATION OF AN HISTORIC RESOURCE CRITERIA

 Every reasonable effort shall be made to provide a compatible use for a property, which requires minimal alteration of the building, structure or site and its environment, or to use a property for its originally intended purpose.

The use proposed for the property – a preschool – is the same use that was previously approved for the site. The use of the building as a preschool is compatible with the previous use of the building as a residence, with minimal changes proposed to the exterior of the historic structure, and no changes proposed to the front façade. Proposed changes to the structure and the site are compatible with the existing building.

2. The distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure, or site and its environment shall not be destroyed. The removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features should be avoided when possible.

No removal of original materials is proposed. All distinguishing architectural features will be retained, including the cornice, piers and capitals at the front façade of the structure. Repair and renewal of any damaged materials will be accomplished in favor of replacement. The proposed solar roof panels and new decking will not be visible from the front of the building.

3. All buildings, structures, and sites shall be recognized as products of their own time. Alterations that have no historical basis and which seek to create an earlier or later appearance shall be discouraged.

Proposed alterations to the existing breezeway are in keeping with the design of the original structure. The materials used for the alteration will replicate original materials.

4. Changes which may have taken place in the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a building, structure, or site and its environment. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance shall be recognized and respected.

The Rocky Hill Dairy was altered significantly in the 1930's. As noted in the HRI, this 1930's addition contributes to the eclectic architectural style of the building. The proposed alterations to the structure leave intact the distinguishing architectural features of both the original two-story building, and the 1930's addition.

5. Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship which characterize a building, structure, or site shall be treated with sensitivity.

No changes are proposed to the distinctive stylistic features of the building, such as the cornice along the front of the building or the sliplap frieze. Proposed alterations will replicate the style of the original building, using materials to replicate the existing siding and roofing materials.

6. Deteriorated architectural features shall be repaired rather than replaced, wherever possible. In the event replacement is necessary, the new material should match the material being replaced in composition, design, color, texture, and other visual qualities. Repair or replacement of missing architectural features should be based on accurate duplications of features substantiated by historic, physical or pictorial evidence rather than on conjectural design or the availability of different architectural elements from other buildings or structures.

Repair and renewal of any damaged materials will be accomplished in favor of replacement. A recommended condition is that all visible replacement material visually matches the previous situation.

7. The surface cleaning of structures shall be undertaken with the gentlest means possible. Sandblasting and other cleaning methods that will damage the historic building material should not be utilized.

No surface cleaning is proposed.

8. Every reasonable effort shall be made to protect and preserve archaeological resources affected by, or adjacent to any project.

While the site is within a mapped archaeological resource area, no work is proposed that would disturb any known archaeological resource. As a recommended condition, if any artifact or other evidence of a Native American cultural site that reasonably appears to exceed 100 years of age or if human remains are exposed, activity shall cease until an Archaeological Site Development Approval can be issued.

9. Alterations and additions to existing properties shall not destroy significant historical, architectural or cultural elements or materials, and shall be compatible with the size, scale, color, materials, and character of the property, neighborhood or environment.

The work proposed is compatible with the size, scale, color, materials, and character of the property. The proposed accessibility ramp as required by state law is compatible in scale, color and materials with the existing building.

10. Whenever possible, new additions or alterations to structures shall be done in a manner so that the essential form and integrity of the structure would be unimpaired.

Overall, the proposed work will maintain the essential form and integrity of the structure in that the use of similar materials and design features has been incorporated into the project design. The applicant proposes to enclose the existing breezeway by extending the roofline of the historic portion of the structure, and using the same materials and design, for the enclosure (see pages A4.1 and A4.2 of Exhibit G). Staff is concerned that the extension of the existing roofline of the historic portion of the structure and the use of the same materials and design may blur the distinctions between the historical portions of the building and later additions, potentially impairing the historic integrity of the structure. Staff is therefore recommending that minor changes be incorporated into design of the breezeway enclosure by the architect to indicate the work is a more recent addition. Clearly differentiating newer additions from the older portions of the structure is also consistent with the National Park Service "Standards for Rehabilitation".

New Construction on a site with a Historic Resource

1. The location, siting and size of new construction on an historical property shall not detract from the historic character of the property, and between existing buildings, landscape features and open space.

As designed, the addition of a new wood fence to replace a portion of the existing chain link fence will not detract from the historic character of the property.

2. All structures shall be designed in proportion and integrated into the historic character of the property or district by the use of compatible building materials and textures, construction methods, design, and color.

The proposed wood fence will use compatible building materials and textures, construction methods, design, and color. It has been designed in proportion and is integrated into the historic character of the site. The round "moon gate" for the proposed fence is consistent with other Victorian fences of the period. The proposed signage is compatible with the historic character of the property, is appropriate in size and scale, and is unobtrusive (Exhibit G, page AH6.3).

3. The size, location and arrangement of new on-site parking or loading ramps shall be designed so that they are as unobtrusive as possible and preserve the features of the property or district.

The proposed new parking as required by County ordinance is designed to be as unobstrusive as possible. The parking spaces will be screened with vegetation to reduce visibility from the street (Exhibit G, page L1). The historic features of the site are being maintained.

4. Ingress and egress, and internal traffic circulation shall preserve the historic features of the property.

No new ingress and egress points are proposed and no change to the on site circulation is proposed.

5. Landscaping should be provided in keeping with the character and design of the historic site, property or district.

The landscaping plan submitted for the project, including the installation of redwood trees along the northern property boundary and big-leaf maples along the front property boundary, is in keeping with the character of the site.

6. Disturbance of terrain around existing buildings or elsewhere on the property should be minimized to reduce the possibility of destroying unknown archaeological materials. Where any proposed land alterations may impact important archaeological resources, a professional archaeological survey shall be provided and its recommendations implemented to mitigate potential impacts as provided for in Chapter 16.40 of the County Code.

Minimal site disturbance is anticipated. The project is conditioned that if any artifact or other evidence of a Native American cultural site which reasonably appears to exceed 100 years of age or if human remains are exposed, activity shall cease and desist until an Archaeological Site Development Approval can be issued under County Code sections 16.40.040 and 16.40.050.

EXHIBIT I-

Historic Development Findings

1. The Historic Resource Preservation Plan is consistent with the purposes and goals of County Code Chapter 16.42 and the County General Plan.

The Historic Resource Preservation Plan submitted is consistent with the policies of the general Plan and Chapter 16.42 of the County Code in that the historic resource is being minimally affected and the major features and characteristics of the historic structure are being maintained.

2. The Historic Resource Preservation Plan is in conformance with the requirements of Chapter 16.42 of the County Code.

The Historic Resource Preservation Plan submitted is in conformance with the requirements contained in the ordinance.

3. The Historic Preservation Plan will preserve and maintain the cultural and historical heritage of the County and/or further cultivate the knowledge of the past.

The Historic Resource Preservation Plan submitted insures that the historic resource is only minimally affected, retaining the historic structure in its original state.