

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Date _____ Initials _____

____Determined Eligible - National Register

Architectural Inventory Form

I. IDENTIFICATION

____Contributes to eligible National Register District

- 1. Resource number: **5RT2200**
- 2. Temporary number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **Routt County**
- 4. City: **Steamboat Springs**
- 5. Historic building name: **Muirhead House**
- 6. Current building name: **Slagle House**
- 7. Building address: **357 3rd Street**
- 8. Owner name: **James C. & Patricia P. Slagle**
 Owner address: **P.O. Box 4804
 Hilton Head, SC 29938**

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- 9. P.M. **6th** Township

Particle Board

SW¹/₄ of NE¹/₄ of NE¹/₄ of section 17

- 10. UTM reference (NAD83)
 Zone **13**
 Easting: **345166**
 Northing: **4483260**
- 11. USGS quad name: **Steamboat Springs, Colorado**
 Year: **1969** (Map Scale: 1 : 25,000)
- 12. Lot(s): **19** Block:
 Addition: **Steamboat Springs 1st Addition** Year of Addition **1910**

13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses, but does not exceed, the land associated with this building since the time of construction.**

22. Architectural style / building type:

**Late 19th & Early
 20th Century American
 Movements / Rustic**

Official Eligibility Determination

(OAHP use only)

____Determined Not Eligible - National Register

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____Needs Data

____Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

- 14. Building plan (footprint, shape):
Rectangular Plan
- 15. Dimensions in feet: **520 square feet**
- 16. Number of stories: **1**
- 17. Primary external wall material:
Wood / Vertical Siding
6N Range **84W** **Wood** /
- 18. Roof configuration (enter one):
Gabled Roof / Front Gabled Roof
- 19. Primary external roof material (enter one):
Metal Roof
- 20. Special features (enter all that apply):
n/a
7.5'
11

21. General Architectural Description

The building at 357 3rd Street in Steamboat Springs consists of a historic single-story Rustic style cabin, along with a very large two-story rear addition which is presently under construction (in October 2004). The cabin measures 20' NE-SW (across) by 26' NW-SE (deep), while the two-story addition measures approximately 20' by 20'. The cabin is supported by a low concrete foundation, and has stained natural brown board-and-batten exterior walls, over wood frame construction. The cabin roof is a moderately-pitched front gable, covered with metal roofing material. Stained brown rafter ends are exposed beneath the roof eaves, and are covered by a fascia board. A narrow horizontal wood plank door, with one upper sash light, is centered on the cabin's symmetrical facade (southeast elevation). This door leads into the cabin from a 3-step concrete stoop, and is flanked by two 1/ 1 double-hung sash windows, with painted blue wood frames. One 1/ 1 double-hung sash window, and one 1x1 horizontal sliding window, penetrate the southwest (side) elevation wall; and a single 1/ 1 double-hung sash window, and one 1x1 horizontal sliding window penetrate the northeast (side) elevation wall, as well. These windows also have painted blue wood frames. The two-story addition, currently under construction, has exposed particle board walls, and a low-pitched gable roof.

22. Architectural style / building type: Late 19th & Early 20th Century American Movements / Rustic

23. Landscape or setting special features:

This property is located on the northwest side of 3rd Street, near the southeast end of Steamboat Springs' traditional historic Old Town neighborhoods. The house is set back approximately thirty feet from 3rd Street to the southeast. The small front yard is minimally landscaped, and is dominated by a large fir or spruce tree.

24. Associated buildings, features, or objects

n/a

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IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction:

Estimate **1938**

Actual

Source of information: **Routt County Assessor/ Treasurer Parcel Detail Information**

26. Architect: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

27. Builder/ Contractor: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

28. Original owner: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

29. **Construction History** (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):

Routt County Assessor records indicate that the original cabin portion of the building at 357 3rd Street was constructed in about 1938. The 520 square foot cabin apparently stood relatively unaltered until recently when a large two story addition was built onto the rear (northwest) elevation of the original cabin. The addition is not yet complete (as of 2005).

30. Original location: **yes**

Moved **no**

Date of move(s) **n/a**

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 31. Original use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
- 32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
- 33. Current use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
- 34. Site type(s): **Residence**

35. Historical Background

Routt County Assessor records estimate that the original cabin portion of this building dates to 1938. This date seems plausible given the building's construction details and physical appearance. Information regarding the building's history was obtained primarily from Rosa DeVault and Joe Kboundi, who own the residences on either side. The cabin was owned and occupied by a somewhat elderly widow whose last name was Muirhead, from the early 1960s until sometime in the 1980s or early 1990s. Mrs. Muirhead reportedly moved to Loveland, Colorado in the late 1980s or early 1990s. A few years later, the cabin was acquired by Roy Johnson who lived here for six or seven years until he passed away circa 2000. The property has been owned by James and Patricia Slagle from September 2000 to the present (2005).

36. Sources of Information

A Guide to Colorado's Historic Architecture and Engineering, Denver: the State Historical Society of Colorado, 2003 (second edition).

DeVault, Rosa. Telephone interview with Carl McWilliams, March 21, 2005.

Kboundi, Joseph. Telephone interview with Carl McWilliams, January 18, 2005.

Routt County Assessor/ Treasurer Parcel Detail Information.

Routt County Clerk and Recorder file: Warranty Deed, Book 417, page 114.

Winter and Company. "Historic Context of Routt County." Prepared for the Tread of Pioneers Museum, January 1994.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No **xx**

Date of Designation: **n/a**

38. Applicable National Register Criteria

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

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

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

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

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

xx Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

39. Area(s) of Significance: **n/a**

40. Period of Significance: **n/a**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **xx**

42. Statement of Significance

This property is historically significant for its association with the themes of residential growth and community development in Steamboat Springs through the middle of the twentieth century. These associations, however, are probably not to the extent that this property would qualify individually for inclusion in the National or State Registers of Historic Places. The original cabin is also architecturally notable for its Rustic style of architecture, and for the craftsmanship shown in its construction. However, again, the property's significance in this regard is probably not sufficient to qualify it for National or State Register listing.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

The physical integrity of this property's historic cabin has been substantially diminished by the construction of a large two-story addition built onto the rear of the original structure.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes:

No: **xx**

Discuss: Historic residences in this area of Steamboat Springs do not collectively appear to display sufficient integrity, and are too dispersed, to qualify as a National or State Register Historic District.

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

VIII. LOCAL LANDMARK ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44a. Local Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

45a. Discuss: This property is historically significant for its association with the themes of residential growth and community development in Steamboat Springs through the middle of the twentieth century. The original cabin is also architecturally notable for its Rustic style of architecture, and for the craftsmanship shown in its construction. Due to a loss of integrity, however, due to the construction of the large incompatible rear addition, the cabin is now only able to convey a limited sense of its historic and architectural significance.

46a. Architectural Style / Building Type (from Local Style Lexicon):

Steamboat Springs Wood Frame

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IX. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **STEAM-3; STEAM-4**

Frame(s): **22-23, 25; 32**

Negatives filed at:**City of Steamboat Springs**

137 10th Street

Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80477

48. Report title:**Old Town Steamboat Springs Residential Survey IV: Architectural Survey Report**

49. Date: **October 18, 2004**

50. Recorder: **Carl McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address:**1607 Dogwood Court**

Fort Collins, Colorado 80525

53. Phone number:**970/493-5270**

NOTE:Attached are a sketch map, a photocopy of the Steamboat Springs, Colorado USGS quadrangle map segment, indicating resource location, and black-and-white photographs.