

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination  
(OAHHP use only)

OAHHP1403  
Rev. 9/98

- Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_
- Determined Eligible – National Register
  - Determined Not Eligible – National Register
  - Determined Eligible – State Register
  - Determine Not Eligible – State Register
  - Need Data
  - Contributes to eligible National Register District
  - Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5SM.1589/THAS.37**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **San Miguel**
- 4. City: **Telluride**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **Unknown**
- 6. Current Building Name: **Woehle House**
- 7. Building Address: **479 W. Colorado Avenue**
- 8. Owner Name and Address: **Fritz Woehle Jr. and Alane Greer Jr.  
P.O. Box 89  
Telluride, CO 81435-0089**

Parcel number(s):	<b>456536314008</b>



<b>THLD RATING:</b>	<b>Primary - Supporting to District Shed – Non-designated – New Construction</b>
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## II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **New Mexico** Township: **43N** Range: **9W**  
**SW ¼ of SE ¼ of SE ¼ of SW ¼ of Section 036**
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)  
 Zone: **13** **252640 mE** **4202536 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Telluride, Colorado**  
 Year: **1955** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Lot 20, Block 4**  
 Addition: **West Telluride Addition** Year of addition: **1891**
13. Boundary description and justification:  
**This legally defined parcel encompasses, but does not exceed, the land historically associated with this property.**  
 Metes and bounds?: Describe:

## III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): **Rectangular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **Length: 47 feet x Width: 20 feet**
16. Number of stories: **1 1/2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Front Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Metal Roof**
20. Special features: **Porch**
21. General architectural description:  
**This historic dwelling is sited on a newer (1992) concrete foundation, with a newer (1992) basement level. The foundation wall above grade is faced with a stone veneer on the south and west elevations (facing Colorado Avenue and Townsend Street). The building's exterior walls are clad with painted purple horizontal wood siding, with painted white 1" by 4" corner boards. An upper half-story gabled addition built onto the original dwelling was also completed in 1992. The new gable-on-hip roof is covered with corrugated metal roofing material and the eaves are boxed with painted white wood trim. The house's façade faces toward Colorado Avenue on the south elevation. Six concrete steps, with flanking painted white wood railings, lead to an open wood porch which comprises the eastern 3/4s of the façade. The porch features a wood floor, an open painted white wood balustrade, turned columns with brackets, and a low-pitched hip porch roof with an intersecting gable. The porch roof extends to cover a projecting bay at the west end of the façade. A non-historic stained natural brown wood-paneled door, with a transom light, enters the front of the house from the porch. A painted purple wood-paneled door, with one upper sash light, enters the house near the west end of the north (rear) elevation. A 15-light, stained brown, glass-in-wood-frame door leads into the upper half story addition from a small wood balcony on the north elevation.**
22. Architectural style: **Late Victorian**  
 Building type:

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23. Landscape or special setting features:

**This property is located at the northeast corner of W. Colorado Avenue and Townsend Street. The house is sited on a slope as the ground slopes upward south-to-north, from Colorado Avenue toward the alley.**

24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

**Shed (THAS #37)**

**A non-historic shed has replaced the historic shed (THAS#37), which measures approximately 8' by 12', is located near the rear of the property. It is supported by a wood timbers on grade foundation, and its walls are made of horizontal wood planks. It is covered by a shed roof, with corrugated metal roofing material laid over 1x wood decking and 2x wood rafters. A vertical wood plank door, side-hinged with metal strap hinges, is located on the south elevation. A window opening, shuttered with horizontal wood planks, is located on the north elevation.**

### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction: Estimate: **1896** Actual:

Source of information: **Sanborn Insurance maps, February 1893 and December 1899.**

26. Architect: **Unknown**

Source of information: **N/A**

27. Builder: **Unknown**

Source of information: **N/A**

28. Original owner: **Unknown**

Source of information: **N/A**

29. Construction history:

**Sanborn Insurance maps and San Miguel County Assessor records indicate that this dwelling was built between 1893 and 1899. A gabled addition to the upper half story postdates 1986. The Sanborn maps also suggest that the shed near the rear of the property predates 1899. Some type of shed or outbuilding is consistently depicted at the rear of this property on Sanborn maps published in 1899, 1904, 1908, and 1922.**

30. Original location:  Moved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of move(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic/Multiple Dwelling**

32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic/Single Dwelling**

33. Current use(s): **Domestic/Single Dwelling**

34. Site type(s): **Single family dwelling; also used as a boardinghouse during its early years.**

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## 35. Historical background:

The West Telluride Addition was platted in 1891, and residential development throughout the neighborhood began to occur that same year. By the end of 1892, five houses had been built in this block (Block 4), on the north side of West Colorado Avenue between Aspen and Townsend Streets. These were respectively located on lots one and two, on lots three and four, and on lots five, ten, fourteen and fifteen. By the end of 1899, another six homes had been erected on this block, leaving only lots eleven, twelve, thirteen, sixteen and seventeen not yet developed. Another three residences had been built by the summer of 1908, with this block then boasting fourteen residences facing onto West Colorado Avenue, and with only two lots still undeveloped.

This residence at the northeast corner of West Colorado Avenue and Townsend Street was among those built between 1893 and 1899. On the 1899 and 1904 Sanborn Insurance maps, it is labeled "D" (Dwelling), as well as "Bach." (Bachelor Hall). With the high population of single miners, bachelor halls (also called boardinghouses and rooming houses) were common throughout Telluride. Boardinghouses ran the gamut from large two-story residences with multiple rooms, to families augmenting their income by renting out a spare room to a single individual.

## 36. Sources of information:

San Miguel County Assessor records.

San Miguel County Commercial Property Appraisal Record.

Sanborn Insurance maps, August 1886, October 1890, February 1893, December 1899, July 1904, November 1908, October 1922.

Simmons, Laurie and Whitacre, Christine. Historic Building Inventory Record, May 1986.

Telluride Museum Digital Photo Collection: <http://www.telluridemuseum.org>

## VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No  Date of designation:

Designating authority:

## 38. Applicable National Register criteria:

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern 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 possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguished entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

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

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

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

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**Telluride Standards for Designation:**

- 7-505.A.1. The structure is representative of a unique historical social activity of an era
- 7-505.A.2. The structure dominates the neighborhood by virtue of its mass, architecture or location
- 7-505.A.3. The structure was an historically or architecturally important public building
- 7-505.A.4. The structure has a unique historical significance beyond a local level
- 7-505.A.5. The parcel was the site of an important historic event or activity
- 7-505.A.6. The structure has a "contributing or qualified contributing" rating on the THAS

39. Area(s) of significance: **Architecture, Settlement**
40. Period of significance: **1878-1913**
41. Level of significance: National:  State: Local:

42. Statement of significance:

**Historically a boardinghouse, as well as a single family residence, this building was historically significant for its association with Telluride's residential development beginning circa 1898. The building was rehabilitated in 1992 with a new foundation and basement and an upper half story addition. The rehabilitation work was well-executed overall, and as a result, the property rates as a "supporting" resource within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District. The property's shed (THAS #37) is minimally altered but dates from the 1970's and rates as a non-designated resource within the Landmark District.**

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

**This property displays a slightly less than optimal level of integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation - setting, location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The house was rehabilitated in 1992 resulting in some exterior alterations. Following the rehabilitation work, however, the house's size and scale, and its exterior materials, are in keeping with Telluride residences during the Landmark District's period of significance.**

### VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: **Not Individually Eligible / Contributing to District**  
 Local landmark eligibility field assessment: **Eligible / Supporting to District**
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes  No
- Discuss: **This property is located within the Telluride National Historic Landmark District.**
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing Noncontributing N/A:
46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing  Noncontributing N/A:

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## VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph number(s):	<b>CD #5, Images 184-189</b>	CDs filed at:	<b>Town of Telluride</b>
48. Report title:	<b>Town of Telluride Re-Survey of Historic Structures</b>		<b>Planning and Building Dept.</b>
49. Date(s):	<b>07/31/2007; revised 4/10/2013</b>		<b>113 West Columbia Avenue</b>
50. Recorder(s):	<b>Carl McWilliams</b>		<b>Telluride, CO 81435</b>
	<b>Timothy Wilder</b>		
51. Organization:	<b>Cultural Resource Historians</b>		
52. Address:	<b>Dogwood Court</b>		
	<b>Fort Collins, CO 80525</b>		
53. Phone number(s):	<b>(970) 493-5270</b>		

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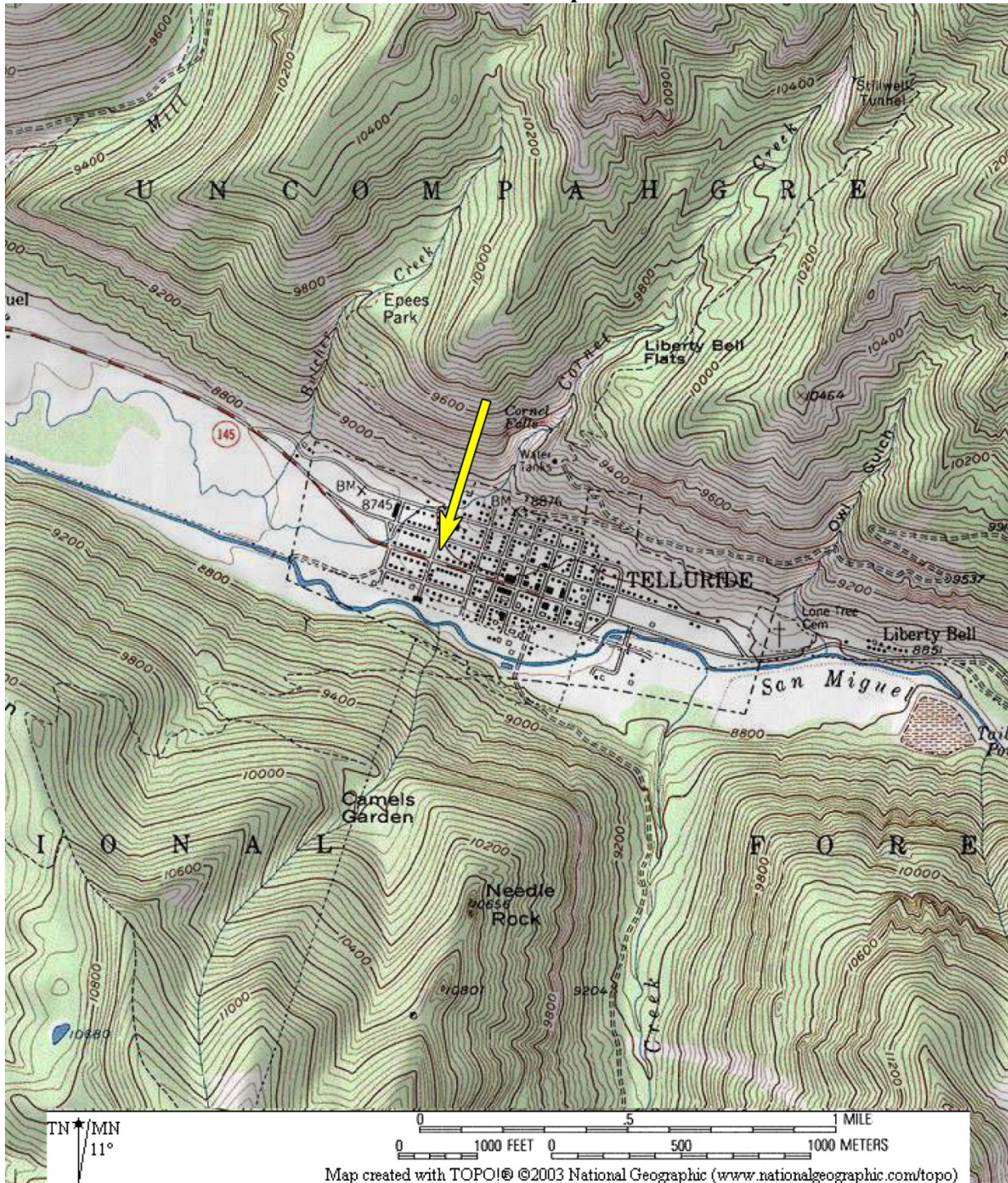
## Sketch Map





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## Location Map



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