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S.H. 7 AND U.S. 287

CULTURAL RESOURCE REPORT FOR HISTORICAL RESOURCES

Prepared by

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Road of Remembrance Gateway (5BL432) Town of Erie Water Supply System (5BL750)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project FC-HES 007-2(5) proposes to improve the existing intersection of U.S. 287 and S.H. 7 north of Lafayette in Boulder County, Colorado. The existing two-lane "Y" intersection is very dangerous. This is aggravated by the proximity of the junction of U.S. 287 and County Road 54 immediately to the north. (See the attached diagram of the existing intersection.)

This project will improve the safety hazards presented by the current configuration. All three roads will come together in an improved twolane directional intersection. (See the attached diagram of the proposed intersection.) The total project length on U.S. 287 is 1,500 feet; the project length on S.H. 7 and County Road 54 totals 900 feet.

The design improvements include the following:

- The combined travel lanes will be widened from approximately 30 feet to 58 feet. The proposed typical cross section includes two 4-foot shoulders, a 12-foot acceleration/deceleration lane, a 10-foot left turn lane, two 12-foot through lanes, and a 4-foot painted median.
- 2. Right-of-way (ROW) will be acquired to expand the existing ROW width from 60 feet to a maximum of approximately 100 feet.
- (3) Roadway fill material will be added to Prince Lake No. 1 and its corresponding settling pond up to 30 feet from the proposed shoulders in order to accommodate an eventual 4-lane roadway.
- (4.) Erie Lake will be enlarged in order to compensate for the encroachment and capacity constriction on Prince Lake No. 1.
- 5.) The northern pillar of the Road of Remembrance Gateway will be relocated about 35 feet to the north in order to accommodate the improved intersection.

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The historical survey and analysis were conducted by Colorado Department of Highways historian Vicki Rottman. The survey included a literature search and a visual reconnaissance survey. The office of the State Historic Preservation Officer was consulted, as were published lists of National Register and eligible properties, the State Inventory of Historic Properties, "The Boulder County Historical Site Survey," and persons knowledgeable in the history of the area.

The survey area included approximately <u>11 acres</u> in Sections 27 and 34, Township 1 North, Range 69 West. From the intersection of SH 7 and US 287, it included a corridor approximately 200 feet wide in the

following directions:

- 500 feet along SH 7 to the west
- 400 feet along Arapahoe Road to the east (County Road 54)
- 750 feet along US 287 both to the north and to the south

GENERAL DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY OF THE AREA

The project lies in a rural area of Boulder County. Approximately one mile to the southeast is the town of Lafayette; approximately three miles to the northeast is the town of Erie. The city of Boulder is located about nine miles to the west: therefore, the junction of S.H. 7 and U.S. 287 is called "Ninemile Corner."

Even before permanent settlement in this vicinity, the general route of U.S. 287 had been travelled. In 1849 the Cherokees supposedly came this way when leaving their Oklahoma reservation. Later it also served as the Overland Mail Stage Route. In the early 20th century this segment of U.S. 287 was designated as part of the coastto-coast Lincoln Highway.

The first settlers in this general area came with the "fifty-niners." As early as October, 1859, the Lower Boulder Ditch was begun (it is located about 2-1/2 miles north of the project area). Although it was originally dug to furnish power for a flour mill, it soon served as an irrigation canal. Other ditches and reservoirs soon followed, and many of them remain in the area.

In the immediate vicinity is Prince Lake No. 1, just east of the U.S. 287-S.H. 7 intersection. Southwest of the junction is the settling pond for the lake, fed by the South Boulder Canyon Ditch, which winds through the area. Both this lake and Erie Lake to the north serve as reservoirs for the town of Erie.

On the northwest corner of the intersection is an old, dilapidated house that used to be a gas station. West of that is the 9 Mile House Gallery, a pottery studio. Originally a farmhouse built in the 1890s, it was added onto in the 1930s. The other structures on the property were constructed since then. The original farm has been subdivided and a new housing development is now located north of the gallery.

The only other structure in the project area is the Road of Remembrance Gateway, which is located on either side of S.H. 7 just west of the intersection. The gateway was constructed in 1928 by the Boulder Lions Club in memory of Boulder County residents who served in World War I. At one time the triangular traffic island in the middle of the intersection also functioned as part of the memorial: it was nicely landscaped, and a flagpole and a World War I cannon were mounted in the center. Now only the concrete foundations remain.

SURVEY RESULTS

The survey revealed no properties currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places within the project's area of potential impact.

One site in the potential impact area is included in the State Inventory of Historic Places: the Overland Mail Stage Route (Cherokee Trail), 5BL279. However, there are no visible remains of this trail in the project area.

"The Boulder County Historical Site Survey" identifies one property in the project area: the Road of Remembrance Gateway, 5BL432. Copies of the inventory forms on the gateway are attached in the Appendix. (Note: on the inventory forms this resource is called the "Road to Remembrance Gateway; however, a plaque on the structure itself identifies it as the "Road of Remembrance Gateway." See the photographs in the Appendix.) Other properties listed in this vicinity are the Schofield Farm (no site number) and the Lower Boulder Ditch (5BL488); however, these are well outside this project's impact area.

Our survey identified two additional properties which required further research. One was the Town of Erie Water Supply System, 5BL750, which includes Prince Lake No. 1, Erie Lake, and the South Boulder Canyon Ditch. Colorado Cultural Resource Survey Forms on this resource are included in the Appendix. The other property investigated was the 9 Mile House Gallery.

The information gathered indicated that the original farmhouse was substantilly altered in the 1930s, other structures on the property are less than fifty years old, and the farm itself has been subdivided. Therefore, this property was considered to lack integrity.

The former gas station mentioned earlier also lacks integrity and is not considered eligible to the National Register.

CONCLUSIONS

In accordance with the requirements of the Advisory Council Regulations, Part 800.4(a)(3), the Colorado Department of Highways applied the National Register criteria of eligibility to the properties identified in the survey. Our conclusions are as follows:

The Road of Remembrance Gateway

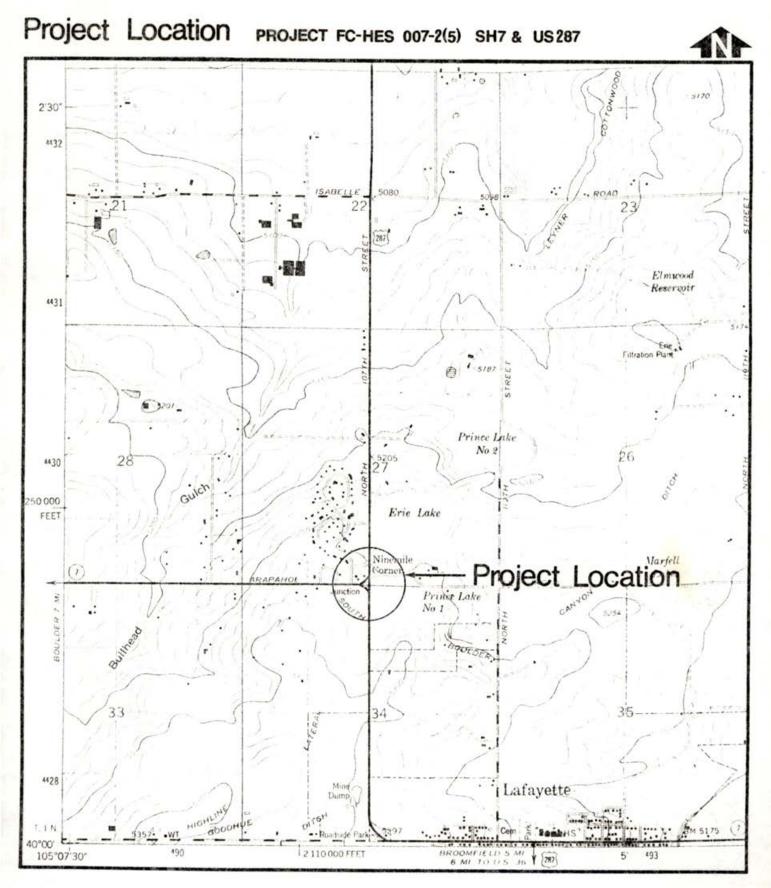
This structure does not appear to meet the eligibility criteria for the National Register of Historic Places. Properties primarily commemorative in nature are not ordinarily considered eligible to the National Register, unless they have been invested with their own historical significance or are integral parts of districts that do meet the criteria.

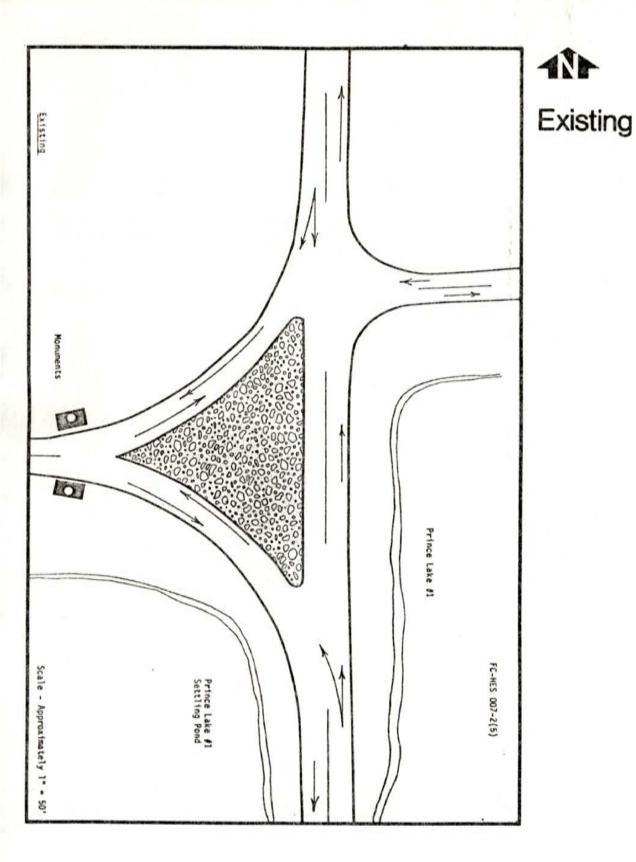
The gateway does not appear to have any significance of its own. Although it has a pleasing design, it is not distinctive structurally or artistically. Its age is not a significant factor, since it was built in 1928. There are no specific traditions associated with this memorial, and it has no symbolic value of its own. In addition, the integrity of the property has been compromised: the park, which contained the flagpole and cannon and which originally was an integral part of the World War I memorial, no longer remains. Vandalism and larceny have reduced the park to nothing more than a traffic island. Since the park was the focal point for appreciating the gateway, the setting and use of the property have been altered (see photos attached in the Appendix).

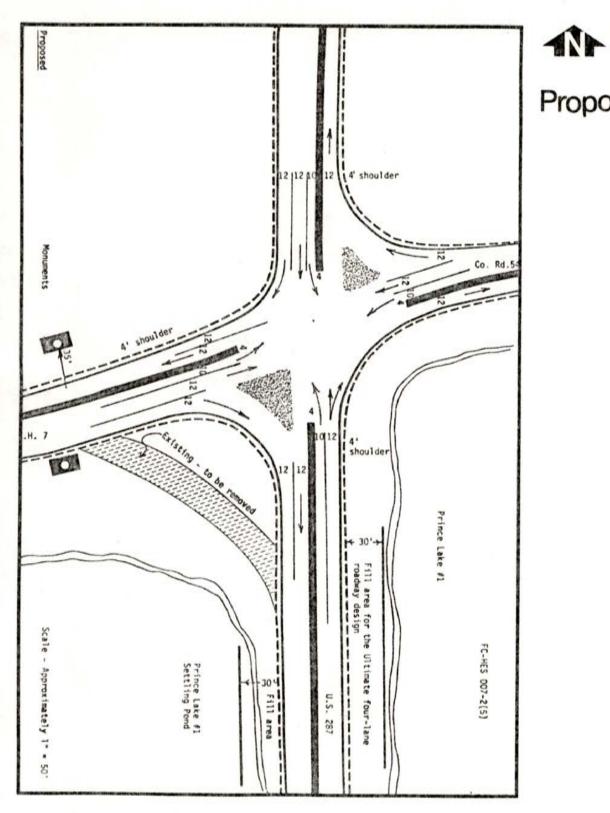
As stated in the inventory forms completed for "The Boulder County Historical Site Survey" (attached), the purpose of the Road of Remembrance Gateway has been all but forgotten. It therefore appears that the Road of Remembrance Gateway lacks the integrity and historic significance to qualify for inclusion in the National Register.

The Town of Erie Water Supply System

As discussed in the Appendix, the features which comprise this resource are among many small ditches and reservoirs in Boulder County. There is nothing structurally or historically significant about these particular ones. Older, larger, and more important systems remain nearby. Therefore, we do not consider this property to be eligible to the National Register.







Proposed

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APPENDIX

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORMS:

ROAD OF REMEMBRANCE GATEWAY (5BL432) TOWN OF ERIE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM (5BL750) COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

OSAC/DHP; 1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203



IMPORTANT: COMPLETE THIS SHEET FOR EACH RESOURCE PLUS EITHER AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL OR HISTORICAL/ARCHITECTURAL COMPONENT FORM.

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28)Location/Access:

From Boulder, take highway 7 (Arapahoe) east nine miles, to the intersection with highway 287 (107th St.).

29) Boundary Description:

The boundary line is shown on the accompanying aerial photo.

30) Boundary Justification:

Represents historical extent of memorial markers.

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(Attach Photographs)

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IV. SIGNIFICANCE: Assess whether or not the resource has any historical or architectural merit by checking appropriate categories and justifying below. Include any relevant historical data.

20) Architectural Significance:

- Represents work of a master
- Possesses high artistic values
- Represents a type, period, or
- method of construction

- 21) Historical Significance:
- Associated with significant persons
- x_ Associated with significant events or patterns
- Contributes to the significance of an

The completion of Highway 287 replaced the old Lincoln Highway (111th St.) as the main route from Denver to Boulder. The Lions Club of Boulder, under the guidance of President Louis Herman, wanted to mark the new route as well as wishing to memorialize those who had served in WWI. On 21 December 1927 the Gateway was adopted as a major activity and plans were initiated by Lion Mead Walter. The cornerstone was laid 18 April 1928.

A rumor that a horned toad would be put in the cornerstone brought nation wide attention to the club. State humane society officers came to the rescue of the ill-fated creature, but no amphibian was found to exist.

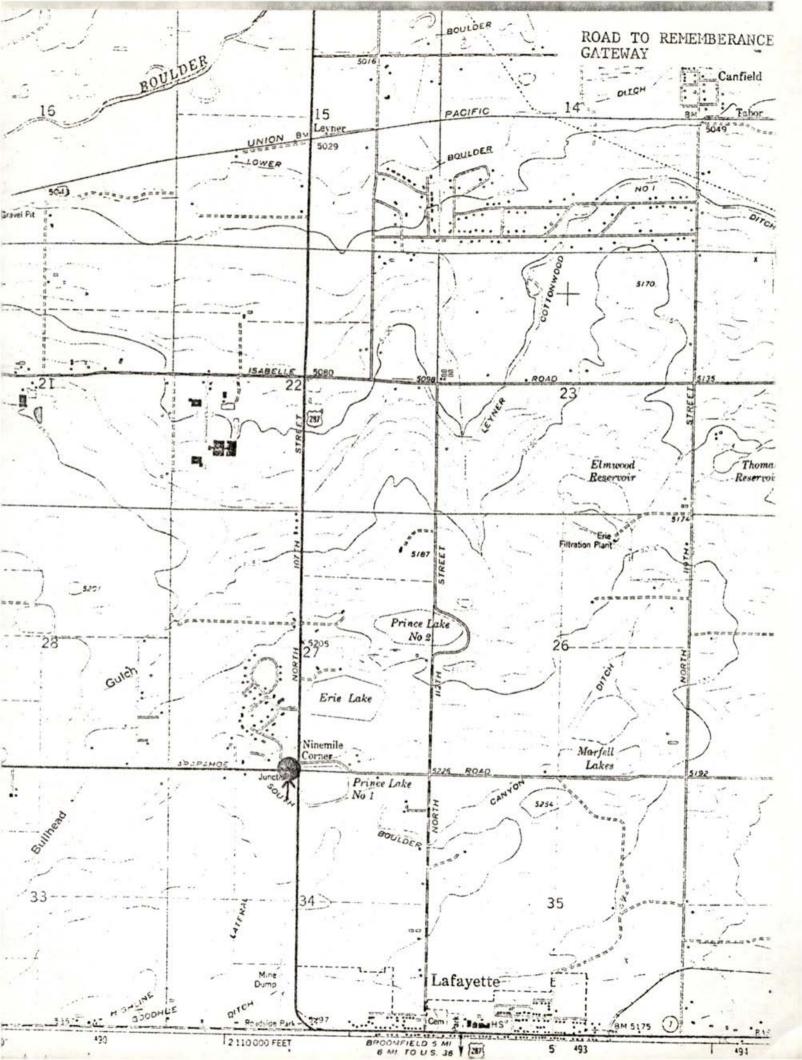
In May of 1928, the Gateway was completed at the cost of \$1600.00. In June the international president of the Lions Club, Irving L. Camp, presided over the dedication.

Highway 287 became a secondary road with the completion of the Boulder-Denver Turnpike in 1952. Since then the purpose of the Road to Rememberance Gateway has been all but forgotten, yet its prominence on the Eastern plains of the county lends to its credence as a historical site. 22) List Any Associated Cultural Group:

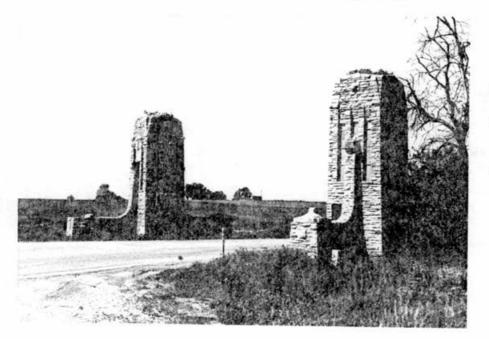
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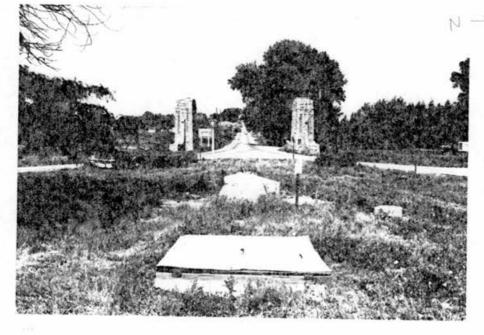






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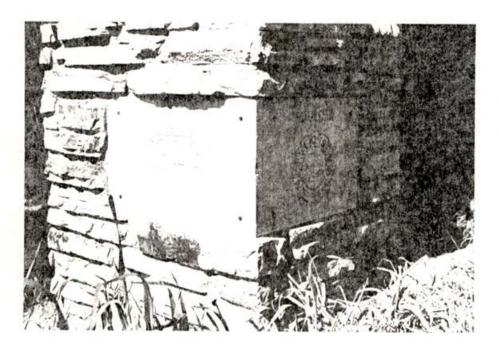
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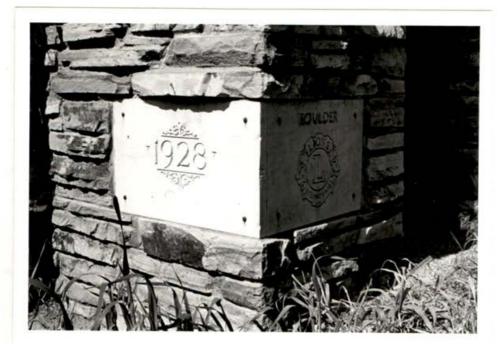
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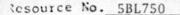
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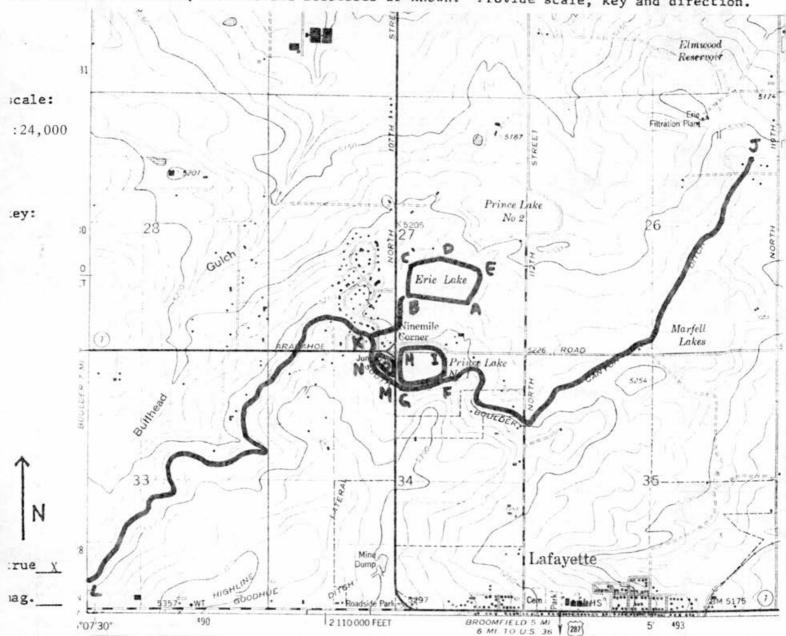
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1. SKETCH MAP: Map all features and show the boundaries of the resources. Show all major topographic features, permanent modern features, and vegetation zones as appropriate. Sive names of features, streets and addresses if known. Provide scale, key and direction.

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8)Location/Access:

S.H. 7 (Arapahoe Road) and U.S. 287 (North 107th Street)

9)Boundary Description	on:	Points	Α,	Β,	С,	D,	E: Erie Lake
		Points	F,	G,	Н,	I:	Prince Lake No. 1
Shown on map.		Points	J,	Κ,	L:	So	outh Boulder Canyon Ditch
	· · ·	Points	Μ,	Ν.	0:	Se	ttling pond

0)Boundary Justification:

Includes Erie Lake, Prince Lake No. 1, and that portion of the South Boulder Canyon Ditch shown on the Erie Quadrangle Map.

INVENTORY RECORD (Continued)

Town of Erie Water Supply System (5BL750)

13) UTM Reference (Continued):

Point	Zone	mE	mN
Е	13	491800	4429720
F	13	491590	4429060
G	13	491300	4429030
Н	13	<mark>491300</mark>	4429210
I	13	491520	4429220
J	13	493520	4430420
K	13	491110	4429300
L	13	489320	4427750
М	13	491260	4429040
N	13	491140	4429160
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	ARCHITECTURAL/HIST	CORICAL COMPONENT FORM	
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FOR	RECORDING HISTORIC STRUC ORDING STRUCTURES LOCATED	TURES AND DISTRICTS.	USE SEPARATELY FOR
1) Resource No.	5BL750 2) Temp No	3) Name Towr	of Erie Water Supply System
4) Address Bo	ulder County, Colo.	5) District Na	me
I. INTEGRITY:	6) Condition: Good X	Fair Deteriorated	
7) Original Use	Water supply	8) Present Use	same
9) Original Sim	te X Moved Date(s)	of Move:	
10) Unaltered ?	Altered Explain:	Part of the ditch is 1	ined; the lakes have been dredged
and the dam rep	laced.		
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II. DESCRIPTIO	ON: 11) Building Materia	1s earth, concrete	
	n Date around 1880		der Hiram Prince
	al Style(s) N.A.		
	tures/Surroundings:		
15) Special lea	tures, surroundings		
100			
- Contraction -			
16) Archaeolog	ical Potential: Yes N	o <u>A</u> Unknown <u>Exp</u>	lain:
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III. CULTURAL	to the cultu	arce type (ie: house, ral activity theme and	barn, shed, school, church, etc) i sub-theme category associated
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17) THEME		-	
18) SUB-THEME	Civil		
19) TYPES	1 ditch		
Sec.	2 small reservoirs		
	1 settling pond	-	
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KESOURCE NO. 5BL750

(Attach Photographs)

Attached.

Frame Number Roll Number Facade Orientation

IV. SIGNIFICANCE: Assess whether or not the resource has any historical or architectural merit by checking appropriate categories and justifying below. Include any relevant historical data.

- 20) Architectural Significance:
- Represents work of a master
- Possesses high artistic values
- Represents a type, period, or
- method of construction

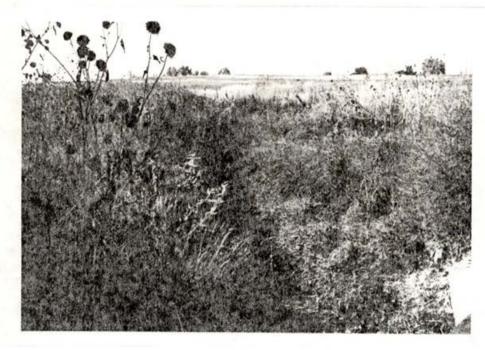
- 21) Historical Significance:
- Associated with significant persons
- Associated with significant events or patterns
- Contributes to the significance of an historic district

Attached.

22) List Any Associated Cultural Group: The Schofield Farm (incl. Prince Lake No. 2) V. REFERENCES:

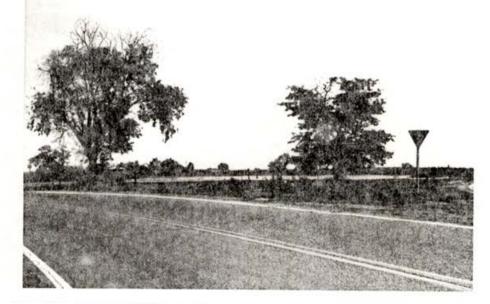
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Town of Erie Water Supply System (5BL750)



Frame Number <u>1</u> Roll Number <u>81-22</u>

South Boulder Canyon Ditch view to southwest from S.H. 7



Frame Number <u>16</u> Roll Number 81-22

Prince Lake No. 1, view tc southeast from S.H. 7

Town of Erie Water Supply System (5BL750)

Prince Lake No. 1, Erie Lake, and the South Boulder Canyon Ditch provide water for the Town of Erie, Colorado. The town acquired Erie Lake in 1882 from the Union Pacific Railroad and 1/2 interest in Prince Lake No. 1 from Hiram Prince in 1883 (the second half was evidently acquired later). Town records show the acquisition of 120 water shares in the South Boulder Canyon Ditch in 1911.

These related structures were built by Hiram Prince, who also constructed Prince Lake No. 2 nearby. (That lake, however, has remained in private ownership). Mr. Prince was a farmer who settled in this area in 1873. Later (1885-1887 and 1889-1891), he served in the State Legislature.

Another pioneer family in this agricultural area was the Schofield family. Three of Hiram Prince's children married Schofields. His daughter Mary and her husband Alfonso Schofield owned the "Schofield Farm" identified in the "Boulder County Historical Site Survey." Within the historic site boundaries identified for that property is Prince Lake No. 2.

The Town of Erie Water Supply System is typical of many small ditches and reservoirs in Boulder County. There is nothing structurally or historically significant about this property that would qualify it under the National Register criteria of eligibility.

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