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United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

Form -6 2018

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instruction at INR coal Register of Bulletin, How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form. If any item does not apply to the properties and documented, enter "NA" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance and subcategories from the instructions.

1. Name of Property Historic name: Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580	
Other names/site number: _Union Pacific Snow Plow No. 900016 / 5LN.579	
Name of related multiple property listing:	
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing	
2. Location	
Street & number: Limon Heritage Museum, 899 First Street	
City or town: Limon State: CO County: Lincoln Not For Publication: N/a Vicinity: N/a	
3. State/Federal Agency Certification	
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,	
I hereby certify that this <u>X</u> nomination <u>request</u> for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.	
In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:	
nationalstatewide _X_local Applicable National Register Criteria:	
<u>X</u> A <u>B</u> <u>X</u> C <u>D</u>	
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Signature of certifying official/Title: Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer Date	
History Colorado, Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation	
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government	
In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official: Date	
Title : State or Federal agency/bureau	

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Object

4. National Park Service Certification I hereby certify that this property is: entered in the National Register determined eligible for the National Register determined not eligible for the National Register removed from the National Register __ other (explain:) 5. Classification Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply.) Private: Public - Local Public - State Public - Federal **Category of Property** (Check only one box.) Building(s) District Site Structure

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Number of Resources within Property		
(Do not include previously listed reso	aurces in the count)	
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6. Function or Use		
Historic Functions		
(Enter categories from instructions.)		
TRANPORTATION/rail-related		
		
Current Functions		
(Enter categories from instructions.)		
RECREATION/museum_		

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Description
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Enter categories from instructions.)
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incipal exterior materials of the property: <u>METAL</u>

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 sits on rails it originally cleared in the 1950s-'80s currently owned by Kyle Railway, within the environs of the Limon Heritage Museum, which includes the National Register-listed Limon Railroad Depot (5LN.221, NRIS.03000038, listed 2/20/2003). The plow is about a block east of the Depot at 899 1st Street and just south of the museum's Exhibit Building at 701 1st Street. Built as a typical standard gauge wedge plow from a steam locomotive tender by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad (Rock Island) shop in 1951, it was reconditioned, repainted, and used by the Union Pacific Railroad (UP) as No. 900016 beginning in 1981 after the Rock Island ceased operations in 1980. The snow plow was retired to the UP Cheyenne, Wyoming shops in the 1990s and later donated to the Limon Heritage Museum by the UP in 1995. In 2015, the snow plow was restored to its original Rock Island color and format and renumbered to 95580. It has been minimally altered from the historic Rock Island design and has good integrity.

Narrative Description

Snow Plow No. 95580 was built in 1951 from a Rock Island steam locomotive tender known as a "semi-Vanderbilt" that was itself a modification of a Vanderbilt tender first acquired by Rock Island in 1912 or 1913. The semi-Vanderbilt's distinctive triangular shape, resulting from a modified cylindrical tank lying on its side, is still visible on Snow Plow No. 95580 (photos 4-6).

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The body and underframe of the snow plow are made of steel, which are in turn carried on roller bearing trucks installed in 1981.

At the front, or "A" end, of the snow plow is the single-track wedge plow itself (photo 1-2). Measuring 16'-7" from the tip of the plow to the edge of the plow box that attaches to the tender, the plow has an angled horizontal blade that lifts snow upward, which is then forced by the center vertical blade to either side of the track. The plow measures 12'-4" tall from the rail to the top edge, 10'-0" wide at the top, 11'-0" wide at its full width, and 7'-0" wide at the rail. A headlight is mounted at the top of the plow.

At the rear, or "B" end, of the snow plow are two sets of steel ladders on either side that facilitate access to catwalks that run along each side of the body (photos 5-6). A steel stirrup step hangs from the sill at each corner of the car. A tool box is attached just right of center above the sill. Attached at the top, just to the right of the left ladder, is a brake wheel with a chain leading down to the brake mechanism below.

On either side of the snow plow body is a steel catwalk with handrail that leads from the B end to the plow box. Towards the A end, where the plow box meets the body, the catwalks end at another set of steel ladders (on either side) which provide access to the top of the plow box and the headlight. On top of the body of the snow plow, set back from the plow box by a few feet, is a narrow gabled-roof "dog house," or small cabin, which houses the brakeman. On the right side of the snow plow the catwalk handrail attaches to either side of the dog house to allow access to the steel cabin door (photos 3-4). The left side of the dog house has a plated-over window (photos 7-8). Both sides of the snow plow feature the lettering "RI/95580" along the middle of the body.

The overall dimensions of the snow plow are 15'-4 ½" in height from the rail to the top of the doghouse and 38'-4 ¾" in length from the tip of the plow to the coupler. The total weight is 190.400 lbs.¹

Alterations

Snow Plow No. 95580 retains its overall design from the time of its conversion from a semi-Venderbilt tender to a snow plow by the Rock Island shops in 1951, which in addition to adding the plow box and blade to the tender front, included loading the original water and fuel compartments with rock ballast and adding additional ballast to the bottom over each truck. This particular tender was one of only three semi-Vanderbilts that originally included the dog house, which was retained at the time of conversion. Since that conversion, alterations include the replacement of the original friction bearing type trucks with the current roller bearing trucks in 1981 when UP reconditioned the plow for its use. At an unknown date, but possibly at the time of UP's work, the window in the dog house was plated over. UP's painting of the plow in its own

¹ James L. Ehernberger, "UP's Ex-Rock Island Snow Plow," *The Streamliner*. Volume 8, No 1, p. 32; Union Pacific Historical Society, 1992.

² Ibid, p.32

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color scheme and numbering system have since been restored in 2015 to the historic Rock Island color and number.

Integrity

Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 has good integrity for all seven aspects of integrity. Its setting and location on track that the plow historically served near the National Register-listed Limon Depot meets the integrity requirements as set forth in the National Register white paper on setting for locomotives and rolling stock, namely that it remains on a section of track adjacent to a railroad line; original location and meeting the burden of Criterion Consideration B are not required. The nearby Rock Island Depot and its other pieces of railroad equipment on track complete the appropriate setting for the plow, allowing for high integrity of feeling and association as a piece of railroad maintenance-of-way equipment. The snow plow's design, materials, and workmanship are relatively unchanged; Union Pacific made no substantial changes to the basic construction of the plow once it was in their possession following Rock Island's selling off of its equipment in 1980, and the 2015 restoration returned the plow's Rock Island paint scheme and numbering. The snow plow looks as it did at the height of its Rock Island use with its original color and signage.

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	nent of Significance	
	e National Register Criteria in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for Nation	al Register
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B.	Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past	•
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	onsiderations in all the boxes that apply.)	
A.	Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes	
B.	Removed from its original location	
C.	A birthplace or grave	
D.	A cemetery	
E.	A reconstructed building, object, or structure	
F.	A commemorative property	
G.	Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years	ears

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.) TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING	
Period of Significance _1951-1968_	
Significant Dates	
Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)	
Cultural Affiliation	
Architect/Builder Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad shops	

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 is locally significant under Criterion A for Transportation for its association with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad (Rock Island) and for its crucial role in keeping tracks clear of snow on the plains of Eastern Colorado and Western Kansas, where major storms could easily make tracks impassable. The snow plow is further locally significant under Criterion C for Engineering as a good example of a wedge-type railroad snow plow converted from a locomotive tender. Prior to conversion, Snow Plow No. 95580 was a semi-Vanderbilt tender built by Rock Island; the plow still features the distinctive "loaf of bread" shape as developed by Rock Island and is a testament to the repurposing of equipment constantly employed by railroads. The plow was in use by Rock Island until its bankruptcy in 1978 and selling off of equipment in 1980.

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The period of significance is from 1951, the year the plow was created using the former tender, to 1968, a date fifty years in the past in keeping with National Register guidelines. As a historically moving piece of railroad equipment on track adjacent to a rail line, the plow does not need to meet the burden of Criteria Consideration B and meets the particular integrity of setting requirements for rolling stock.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

Criterion A

Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 is significant for Transportation for its association with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway and the important role it played in keeping the tracks that crossed the plains clear. The aftermath of blizzards allowed no travel on the rails until the snow plows removed the snow banks. These blizzards were not an unusual event on the Western Kansas and Eastern Colorado plains. Massive amounts of snow would blow and drift, forcing the railroad to begin the process of snow removal. The single-track wedge plow provided an efficient means of removing the snow, splitting the snow banks and forcing them to the sides of the rails.

Criterion C

The snow plow reflects the resourceful engineering exemplified by the Rock Island shops during the 1950s. Plow No. 95580 was built in 1951 from a retired Rock Island tender and was constructed as a single-track wedge plow for the specific use of clearing long stretches of prairie rails. It was designed for economy, durability and strength. Fabricated with a hardened steel plow, bolted side skirts and steel housing, it went through the snow with extreme efficiency moving snow to each side of the track.³ It retains the distinctive shape of the Rock Island-modified tender known as a "semi-Vanderbilt."

Historic Background

In the early 1880s, the managers of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific (CRI&P) considered various plans to extend their rail line westward from Kansas to connect with other railroads in Colorado. Of particular interest was the proposed Colorado Midland that was to run west out of Colorado Springs to the mountain mining communities. The Rock Island incorporated the wholly-owned subsidiary Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railway (CK&N) in 1885 to construct the expanded route. The CK&N conducted surveys and acquired rights-of-way and other properties to extend a line through northern Kansas and into Colorado. Actual construction began from Horton, Kansas, on July 1, 1886. By early 1888, the rails reached Goodland,

³ This type of snow removal could be used when there was only one track, as it resulted in snow piles on either side – hence the term "single-track." Double-track wedge plows moved snow to only one side, opposite from the other track, thereby avoiding dumping snow on it.

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Kansas. To speed construction in the spring of 1888, the CK&N put multiple work crews into the field.

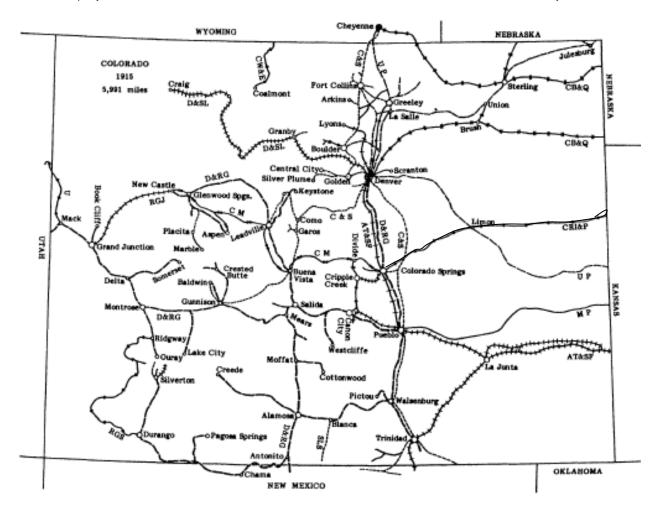
The Rock Island planned to have a single track across the eastern plains into Colorado, branching as it approached the mountains—one track going to Denver and the other to Colorado Springs. The CK&N crossed the Union Pacific (UP) line at Limon's Camp, about 15 miles west of the Union Pacific Railroad division point in Hugo, proceeding southwestward to Colorado Springs where it joined with the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad to access the north-south route between Denver and Pueblo (see Figure 1). CK&N also contracted with UP to run trains directly from Limon to Denver. By 1891 the CK&N subsidiary was absorbed by Rock Island.

Railroad transportation would be a key factor in the establishment of Limon and its growth during the first half of the twentieth century. Rail service allowed Limon to become an important shipping point for agricultural products. The town's location at the intersection of the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad made Limon an important regional rail center and a major source of local employment.

The many miles of track across the plains became snowbound and unusable for train travel after blizzards over Colorado and Kansas. Snow plows played a crucial role in keeping the lines open, and the railroads invested in many different types depending upon the conditions encountered and the materials available.

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 $\textbf{Fig. 1-Colorado railroad network: 1915, from Donald B. Robertson, } \textit{Encyclopedia of Western Railroad History}^4 \\$

Rock Island Tenders

Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 was built in 1951 from a former Rock Island tender, which itself was a 1920s modification of a Vanderbilt tender first purchased by the railroad in 1912 or 1913.⁵ Vanderbilt tenders were steel cylindrical tanks set on steel underframes (see Historic Photo 2); in the 1920s, when Rock Island's Vanderbilt tenders began to deteriorate at the junction between the curved side of the tank and the frame, the railroad rebuilt the bottom portion, resulting in a rounded top with flat sides that sloped down to a flat bottom (or semi-

⁴ As reproduced in Fraser and Strand, *Railroads in Colorado*, *1858-1948* National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF), accepted 1998, p. E-125.

⁵ Ed Wojtas, "Rock Island's Very Own Tenders," *Trains: The Magazine of Railroading*. July 1969, p. 47. The tender was part of a purchase of 107 locomotives with Vanderbilt tenders from Alco and Baldwin.

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Vanderbilt), which ultimately allowed for more water storage within the tank (see Historic Photo 3). As discussed in an article on Rock Island's tenders,

The unusual tenders – no other railroad owned them except those that purchased used Rock Island motive power—acquired a variety of names over the years. Rock Island diagram sheets list them as "semi-Vanderbilt" tanks, but they also went by the nicknames of "triangular," "loaf of bread," and "turtleback."

Due to their low center of gravity, the semi-Vanderbilt tenders were considered excellent candidates for conversion to wedge-type snow plows, which required "the bulk of their weight [being] as close to the track as possible." Lacking its own motive power, the snow plow was pushed through the snow from behind by a locomotive.

Wedge plows have a horizontal wedge to lift snow above the level of snow accumulation beside the track. The large front plow is V-shaped to split the snow as the plow moved forward. A leading edge made of cast iron or steel just above the rails would cut through ice and added weight to discourage the tendency of the wedge to climb over hard-packed snow, thereby causing derailment by lifting the wheels off the rails (see historic photo 1). Under most conditions, the tendency to climb was further reduced by the weight of snow on the upper side of the wedge, and by downward force accompanying the upward acceleration of lifted snow. However, this downward snow loading may be absent when a plow first strikes a snow drift or packed snow face where the plow train has previously stalled. Before making a running start against such conditions, prudent crews would dig into the lower edge of the drift or snow face, creating a notch to receive and guide the leading edge of the horizontal wedge.

The power and basic construction of the wedge snow plow led to its successful use and longevity on both the Rock Island and Union Pacific Railroads. The wedge plow was economical in contrast to the more complex rotary plow designed for mountain snow slides and deeper snow. It was also less expensive to operate as it was pushed by one or more locomotives already in use on the train, rather than having its own power source. The functional design included its ballast system filled with dry granite rocks that supplied the weight needed to push through snow banks. The design relied on proven concepts from years of western rail operations. Adjustment was provided by the bolted flip-down top portion of the plow and the removable bolted side skirts, which could easily be removed for the plow to be lifted in case of derailment. Easy access with the ladder and walkway allowed economical maintenance and servicing.

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Following its conversion from a tender in 1951, Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 served the Rock Island line in Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, and Colorado until the railroad ceased operations in

⁶ Wojtas, p. 47.

⁷ Ehernberger, "The UP's Ex-Rock Island Snow Plow" p. 32.

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1980 following its bankruptcy in 1978. After its reconditioning for UP in 1981, the plow was stationed at Oakley, Kansas until the early 1990s when it was retired to UP's Cheyenne shops and eventually donated in 1995 to the Limon Heritage Museum housed within Limon's former Rock Island Depot. In 2015, UP's paint and numberings scheme was restored to the original Rock Island color and number.

Today the snow plow sits a about a block away from the depot on Kyle Railway track. By special arrangement, the Museum has free storage on the Kyle track and Kyle Railway has free use of the snow plow in the event one of the historic eastern plains snowstorms should ever strike again.

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⁸ Ibid.

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organization: Limon Heritage Society					
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telephone: <u>719-740-07</u>					
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12. Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- Additional items: (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580

City or Vicinity: Limon

County: Lincoln State: Colorado

Photographer: Teresa Bauman Date Photographed: April 2017

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of

camera:

- 1. Front (A end) of Snow Plow No. 95580, Facing West
- 2. Front Right Corner, Facing Northwest
- 3. Right Side View, Facing North
- 4. Rear Right Corner, Facing Northeast
- 5. Rear (B end) of snow plow, Facing East
- 6. Rear Left Corner, Facing Southeast
- 7. Left Side View, Facing South
- 8. Front Left Corner, Facing Southwest

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Historic Photo Log

HP1 - UP Snow Plow No. 90013 being pulled into the clear on March 16, 1977 after derailing outside of Cheyenne Wells, Colorado. From James L. Ehernberger, "Engine Tender Snow Plows," *The Streamliner*. Volume 6, Number 3, p. 10; Union Pacific Historical Society, 1990.

HP2 – An example of a Vanderbilt tender, with cylindrical tank on its side. From Ed Wojtas, "Rock Island's Very Own Tenders," *Trains: The Magazine of Railroading*. July 1969, p. 46.

HP3 – An example of a semi-Vanderbilt tender that expanded the base of the cylindrical original tank with sloping sides down to the frame. From Ed Wojtas, "Rock Island's Very Own Tenders," *Trains: The Magazine of Railroading*. July 1969, p. 46.

HP4 – Photograph of Snow Plow 95580 in Silvas Illinois, August 15, 1978 by Noel Stoutenburg, As posted on RR Picture Archives.net (http://www.rrpicturearchives.net/showPicture.aspx?id=845714, accessed May 30, 2018)

HP5. Snow Plow No.95580 (then 900016) at Limon Heritage Museum, ca. 2008

HP6. Close up of Snow Plow blade, ca. 2008.

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Historic Photos



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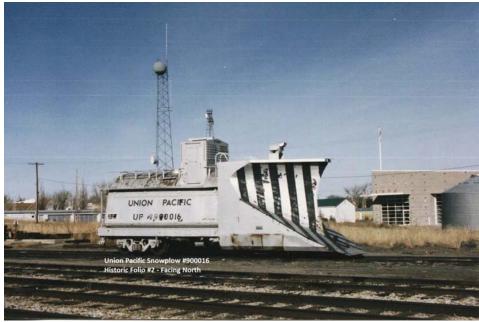
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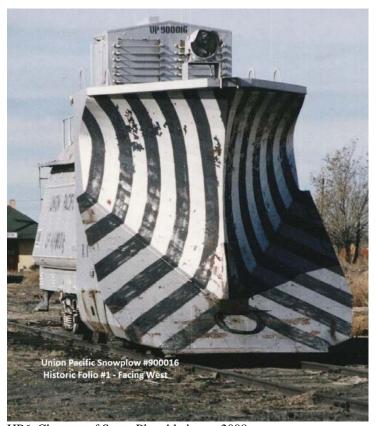
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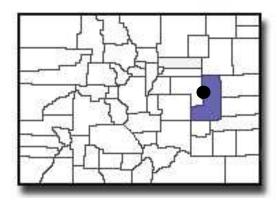
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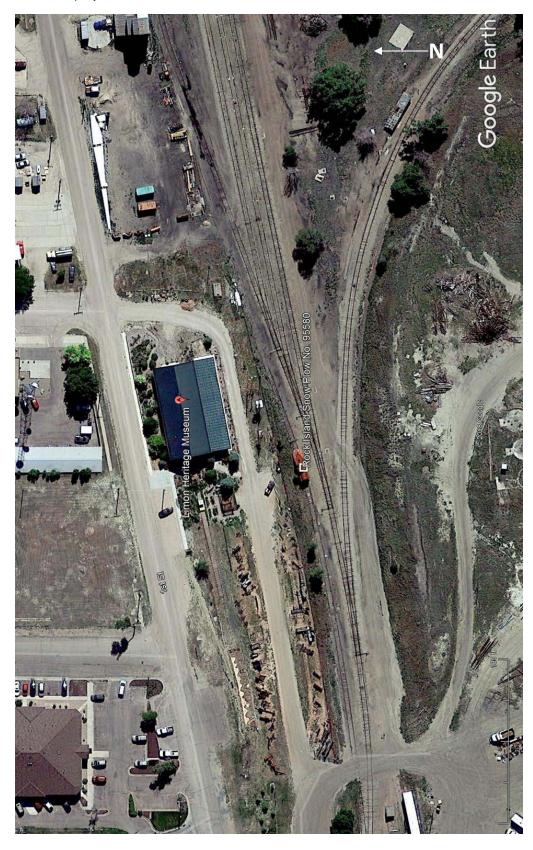
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Location: Limon, Lincoln County

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:	Nomination				
Property Name:	Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580				
Multiple Name:					
State & County:	COLORADO, Lino	coln			
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Reviewer Barbara Wyatt		Discipline	Historian		
Telephone (202)35	54-2252	Date			
DOCUMENTATION	see attached	comments : No see attached SL	R : No		

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.



June 4, 2018

Mr. J. Paul Loether
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Dear Mr. Loether:

We are pleased to submit for your review the enclosed National Register of Historic Places nomination for the Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 (5LN.579) in Lincoln County, Colorado.

The Colorado Historic Preservation Review Board reviewed the nomination at its meeting on May 18, 2018. The board voted unanimously to recommend to the State Historic Preservation Officer that the property met the criteria for listing in the National Register.

The enclosed disk contains the true and correct copy of the nomination for the Rock Island Snow Plow No. 95580 to the National Register of Historic Places.

We look forward to the formal listing of this property. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at 303-866-4683 or by email at erika.warzel@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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