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REGISTER**1. Name**

Administration Building

2. Location

street & number: 1900 North White Sands Blvd., NMSVH
city, town: Alamogordo state: New Mexico code: 035
county: Otero code: NM-035

3. Classification

Category: Building
Ownership: Public
Status: Occupied
Present Use: Administrative Offices

4. Owner of Property

name: Regents of the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped
street & number: 1900 North White Sands Blvd.
city, town: Alamogordo state: New Mexico

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, etc.: Otero County Courthouse
street & number: Corner of 10th and New York
city, town: Alamogordo state: New Mexico

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Not applicable.

7. Description**Condition:** Excellent

Description: The Administration Building is a one-story brick mediterranean style building with a hipped roof of French tile and soffitted wood overhang decorated with built-up dentil course. Windows are metal casement with a concrete sill and lintel that forms a continuous banding around the building. Entry has flat roof with concrete coping over metal casement windows with fan lites and 24 lite metal door. Each brick arch over windows share concrete springer bases. The building was renovated in 1941 and 1980. The windows may have been changed in 1941 remodel. There is a brick soldier course added to form a wainscot from grade to just below window sills in 1980 remodel. A handicapped ramp has been added at the entrance. The building has a rectangular shape. This building was designed by the architectural firm of Trost and Trost in 1918. It was originally a hospital and teacher's cottage that was changed to administration in the mid 1960s.

8. Significance**Period:** 1900-**Areas of Significance:** Architecture**Dates:** 1918**Builder/Architect:** Trost and Trost**Statement of Significance, Criterion** C: The Administration Building is one of four

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buildings constructed on the campus of the New Mexico School of the Visually Handicapped between 1918 and 1935, and the only building remaining from the period built in the Mediterranean Style. The Administration building is significant because it is the only building of five remaining from the period 1912 to 1919 designed by the architectural firm of Trost and Trost. It is a good example of the style that Trost and Trost had set for the campus during this period. Since the Mediterranean and Decorative Brick Styles are similar, the Administration Building fits in with the other buildings on campus. The overall impression of the campus is one of having a uniform style with individual variations among the buildings.

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographic Data

Acreage: 0.073 acre
Quadrangle name & scale: Alamogordo North Quadrangle; 1:24,000
UTM References:
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Verbal boundary description and justification: On the lands of the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped from the SW corner of White Sands Blvd. and Indian Wells Rd., proceed east 140 feet along Indian Wells Rd.; turn south and proceed 120 feet to the north entrance of the Administration Building. Using the north entrance of the building as the point of beginning turn west and proceed 50 feet to the NW corner of the building; turn south and proceed 40 feet to the SW corner of the building; turn east and proceed 80 feet around the main entrance to the SE corner of the building; turn north and proceed 40 feet to the NE corner of the building; turn west and proceed 30 feet to the point of origin (note: this verbal boundary description is not a legal filed description for the Administration Building. This description is the area around the building measured and described for the Historic Register generally using a landmark as a beginning and ending point for easier reference).

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