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MONTANA HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1 Reference #	Date:	
2 Photo # 7	Direction N <u>NE</u> E SE S SW W NW	CONTACT PHOTO
3 Historic Name: Dry Creek School		
3a Common Name:		
4 Address: Manhattan, MT		
5 Program Area: Gallatin County	6 County Code 031	State Code 030
7 Legal Description: 200' x 200' lot: N boundary is right-of-way of Manhattan-Dry Creek		
8 Owner & Address: Gallatin County Superintendent of Schools		Road
9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private 301 West Main, Bozeman, MT		

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

10 Year Built: 1902 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Factual <input type="checkbox"/> Estimate	11 Location <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Moved
12 Architect (if known):	
13 Builder/Original Owner (if known)	
14 Exterior Materials: <input type="checkbox"/> Stone <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood <input type="checkbox"/> Log <input type="checkbox"/> Terra-cotta <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Other Materials (specify):	
15 Condition: <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> In Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> No Longer Exists	
16 Retention of Original Design: <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	
17 Present Use: community center	18 Original Use: school
19 Please describe the present general physical appearance of the structure and site. To the extent possible, please also describe changes that have occurred to the property over the years, noting the approximate dates at which they occurred. The Dry Creek School, built in 1902, fits the general characteristics of the framed one room schoolhouse. In addition, the central door of this building has been recessed on the east wall. An open cupola appears on the west end of the roof. The building is in good condition and is presently used as a community center.	

SIGNIFICANCE

20a Reason for significance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Associations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architectural and Engineering design and appearance <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of historic or prehistoric information
20b Please justify the historical significance; noting important persons, events and/or historical patterns associated with structure, site and surrounding area. The Dry Creek School is representative of the balloon frame type (D) in the evolution of the school house. As a response to the harsh native environment the recessed door was introduced to provide protection for the entry of the building. The cupola is significant in that it represents the increasing importance of the school as a focal point in the community.

20c Please justify how the location, design, details, materials, and/or workmanship contribute to the property's significance.

20d Please note if the extant structure/site may demonstrate or yield information about its historic use or construction.

21 Neighborhood Context: Unrelated Compatible Integral element
 Major component of the neighborhood

21a If the structure/site contributes to the value of a larger grouping of structures and sites, please describe the visual or historic relationships that the individual structure/site has to that grouping.

22 Environmental/Economic threats to survival: Private Development Zoning
 Public Works Projects Vandalism Deterioration Other (specify):

23 Recognition in existing historical surveys:

24 Sources of Documentation: Annual Trustee Report 1896-1934

SIGNIFICANCE continued

25 Agency Prepared For:

26 Name/Address Dave Minor and Paul Bishop

Phone #

Date:

Organization: School of Architecture, MSU, Bozeman, MT

PREPARED BY:

27 Staff Evaluator: Date: Permission to Nominate Yes No

28 National Register Status: Listed Currently nominated
Appears to meet NR Criteria A B C D Does not appear to meet NR Criteria
Eligible Yes No As part of a district Yes No Individually Yes No

29 UTM References: Zone 12 Easting 482595 Northing 5079910

30 Please Return to: State Historic Preservation Office
Montana Historical Society
225 N. Roberts St.
Helena, Montana 59601

31 SHPO Comments:

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