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1. Name

Administration Building

2. Location

street & number: South side of University Pl. and campus green., ENMU
city, town: Portales state: New Mexico code: 035
county: Roosevelt code: NM-041

3. Classification

Category: Building
Ownership: Public
Status: Occupied
Present Use: Administration

4. Owner of Property

name: Regents of Eastern New Mexico University
street & number: Eastern New Mexico University
city, town: Portales state: New Mexico

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, etc.: Roosevelt County Courthouse
street & number: Between 1st & 2nd Sts. and Main St. and Ave. A
city, town: Portales state: New Mexico

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Not applicable.

7. Description

Condition: Excellent

Description: The Administration Building is a three-story brick Collegiate Gothic Revival style building with a steeply pitched slate roof and pointed pedimented gable ends. Windows are 6/6 double hung grouped together with concrete lintels and sills. Entries have cast concrete pointed arches and wood doors with lites. Exterior details include shallow relief shields/coat-of-arms between floors. The building was designed by Orville R. Walker and built in 1931. There was an addition to the building in 1936. Its historic and current use is administration. The shape of the building is rectangular.

8. Significance

Period: 1900-
Areas of Significance: Architecture
Dates: 1931
Builder/Architect: Orville R. Walker, AIA

Statement of Significance, Criterion C: The Administration Building is the only building on the campus of Eastern New Mexico University included in this nomination. The Administration Building is significant because it was the first building constructed on the new campus. The first wing was completed in 1931, two years before the school began its first session of classes. The building was completed in 1936 using WPA funds. The building was to be constructed using the "Old English type of

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architecture". Orville Walker, an architect from Lubbock, Texas, designed the Administration Building using the Collegiate Gothic Revival style. This style has become the dominant architectural style at ENMU. The only other New Mexico campus to use a similar style is the New Mexico Military Institute, which uses a consistent Gothic Revival Style. Both ENMU and NMMI are located in eastern New Mexico and have established campus styles consistent with each other, but different from the other campuses in New Mexico. These schools have established a collegiate style for the eastern region of New Mexico.

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographic Data

Acreage: 0.46 acre
 Quadrangle name & scale: Portales Quadrangle; 1:62,500
 UTM References:

Zone	Easting	Northing
13	652250	3783035

Verbal boundary description and justification: On the lands of Eastern New Mexico University from the corner of U.S. Highway 70 and University, proceed east 300 feet; turn south and proceed 50 feet to the NW corner of the Administration Building; Using the NW corner of the building as the point of beginning continue south 100 feet to the SW corner of the building; turn east and proceed 200 feet to the SE corner of the building; turn north and proceed 100 feet to the NE corner of the building; turn west and proceed 200 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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1. Name

Administration Building

2. Location

street & number: 1900 North White Sands Blvd., NMSVH
city, town: Alamogordo **state:** New Mexico **code:** NM
county: Otero **code:** 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 the windows shares 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 but was converted to administration in the mid-1960s.

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Statement of Significance, Criterion C: The Administration Building is significant as the only extant building of those designed at NMSVH by the firm of Trost and Trost between 1912 and 1920. It is a good example of the style that Trost and Trost established on the campus during this period, and the only remaining building in the Mediterranean Style, which as used here is similar to the Decorative Brick style of later campus buildings. The Administration Building illustrates the Trost style which influenced all subsequent campus building. The overall impression of the campus is one of having a uniform style with individual variations among the buildings.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Section 8, p. 69A.

10. Geographic Data**Acreage:** 0.073 acre**Quadrangle name & scale:** Alamogordo North Quadrangle; 1:24,000**UTM References:**

Zone	Easting	Northing
13	410300	3642000

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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