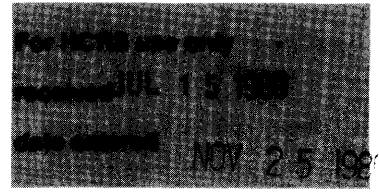


**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**



See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Crosby Railroad Depot

and/or common Crosby Railroad Depot/Historical Society

2. Location

street & number Off MN 6 not for publication

city, town Crosby vicinity of congressional district 7th District

state Minnesota code 22 county Crow Wing code 035

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Cuyuna Range Historical Society

street & number Crosby Railroad Depot

city, town Crosby vicinity of state Minnesota

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Crow Wing County Court House

street & number

city, town Brainerd state Minnesota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Crosby Depot is a single story red brick structure with a broad hipped roof. It is essentially symmetrical in facade arrangement and is executed on a rectangular plan. It measures approximately 40 x 35 feet. Ornamentation is simple, being in the form of a stone band at mid-window level and of heavy eave braces.

The building is immediately adjacent to a "Y" siding. It now serves as a museum for the Crosby area.

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8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1910 **Builder/Architect**

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Crosby Depot was constructed in 1910 as the first mines began to ship iron ore from the Cuyuna Range. The construction of the railroad depot and other public buildings signified the beginning of a major economic boom for central Crow Wing county as its population trebled in ten years and a variety of new industries entered the Crosby-Ironton area. The depot was the western terminus of railroad iron ore transport operations and was equipped to allow the turnaround of trains for return to the eastern terminus at Superior, Wisconsin. The railroad played a major role in all of the iron mining regions in that it was essential to import provisions, people, and materials, and was essential for the export of the mined product to the shipping points in the area of Duluth-Superior.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Marvin Lappa, A Report to the Department of Natural Resources on the Historical Aspects of the Vermillion, Cuyuna, and Mesabi Iron Ranges of Northeastern Minnesota (Eveleth: 1977).

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Less than 1 **ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED**
 Quadrangle name Crosby Quadrangle scale 7.5
UTM NOT VERIFIED

UMT References

A	1 5	4 2 7 0 8 0	5 1 4 8 0 0 0	B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Crosby Depot is now located on Part of SE-NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec.12 46 - 29, Crow Wing County, Minnesota

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Charles Skrief, Director, State Historic Preservation Office
 organization Minnesota Historical Society date September 10, 1979
 street & number 240 Summit Avenue telephone 612-296-9070
 city or town St. Paul state Minnesota

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Russell W. Fridley
 title State Historic Preservation Officer date 6/28/80

For HCRS use only
 I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
W. Ray Luce date 11/25/80
 Keeper of the National Register
 Attest: Linda Flint McCallister date 11-24-80
 Chief of Registration

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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Crosby Railroad Depot, Crosby, MN; Crow Wing County

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Verbal Boundary Description

Commencing at a point in the North line of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twelve (12) in Township Forty-six (46) North, of Range Twenty-nine (29) West, of the Fourth Principal Meridian, said point being Five Hundred-six and 53/100 (506.53) feet East of the Northwest corner of said Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$) when measured along said North line; thence East along said North line a distance of Two Hundred Fifty and 26/100 (250.26) feet; thence to the right at an angle of Ninety-two (92) degrees Thirty-seven (37) minutes and Seventeen (17) seconds with last described line a distance of Seven Hundred Sixty-eight and 12/100 (768.12) feet to the point of beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence continuing along the last described line a distance of One Hundred Twenty-five (125) feet; thence to the right at right angles to the last described line a distance of Two Hundred Fifty (250) feet; thence to the right at right angles to the last described line a distance of One Hundred Twenty-five (125) feet; thence to the right at right angles to the last described line to the point of beginning.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lyman
1/19/89

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**Note: These changes apply to
Crosby Railroad Depot in Crow Wing
County, Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002026

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Crow Wing

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Soo Line Depot

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS: 1st St. N. and 1st Ave. E.

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

**Nina M. Archabal
State Historic Preservation Officer**

JUN 17 1988
Date