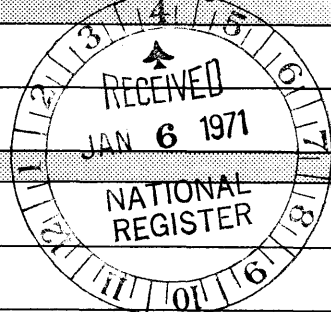


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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STATE:	California
COUNTY:	Los Angeles
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1. NAME

COMMON: Old Mill

AND/OR HISTORIC: El Molino Viejo

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 1120 Old Mill Road

CITY OR TOWN: Pasadena (San Marino)

STATE: California CODE: 06 COUNTY: Los Angeles CODE: 037

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: City of San Marino

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: San Marino STATE: California CODE: 06

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER: 320 Temple Street

CITY OR TOWN: Los Angeles STATE: California CODE: 06

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee

DATE OF SURVEY: 6/60  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Department of Parks and Recreation

STREET AND NUMBER: 1416 9th Street (Resources Building)

CITY OR TOWN: Sacramento STATE: California CODE: 06

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

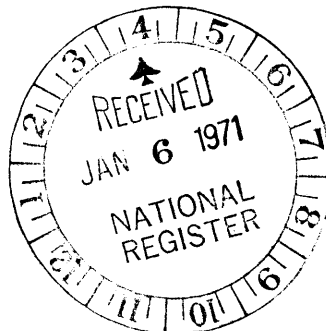
This old building is located about two miles north of Mission San Gabriel at 1120 Old Mill Road, San Marino, California. It is a two-story structure of heavy masonry with a clay tile roof. Exterior walls are covered with cement lime plaster.

In designing the mill, Father Zalvidea pioneered the use of a horizontal, direct impulse waterwheel. Built by Mission Indians under the supervision of the Majordomo, the mill was finished about 1816 in the Spanish tradition. Cement and lime were locally made. The 5' thick lower walls and foundations are of quarried volcanic stones and are strengthened by corner buttresses. The upper walls, 3' thick, and the arched water chambers are of fired, hand-made adobe brick. The tile roof is supported by a wood frame structure.

The grist mill was operated by water brought by means of a cement lined ditch from Kewan and Los Robles Canyons. Water was stored in a cistern along the west wall, released into the water chamber through the thick wall at the bottom by means of a narrow spout to pour horizontally against the buckets of the waterwheel. A vertical shaft connected the wheel directly with the mill stones on the second floor where the meal was ground. There are two arched wheel chambers.

Later day owners have converted the "Old Mill" into a comfortable residence with French doors, a fireplace and a front portico. In converting the "Old Mill" into a residence, no structural changes in the original walls and partitions were made. As far as possible, primitive methods and materials were used. Details of the work are shown on drawings deposited in the San Marino public library.

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1816

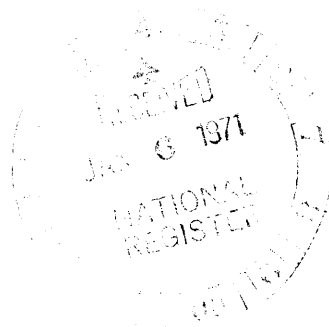
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Old Mill, El Molino Viejo, was designed by Father Zalvidea, and built of heavy masonry to serve Mission San Gabriel. It was built sometime between 1810 and 1816. When another mill was built nearer the mission, the old mill was gradually abandoned and passed from mission control. Subsequent owners used the building for varied purposes, among the owners being Henry E. Huntington, who restored the structure while modifying it somewhat for private use. Today it is owned by the City of San Marino.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

California Historical Landmarks Booklet  
Rensch's Historic Spots in California

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

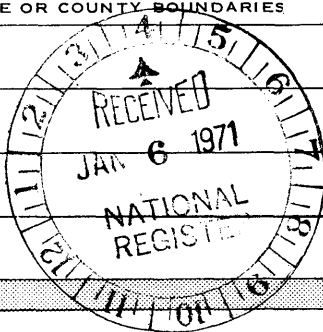
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Allen W. Welts, State Park Historian III

ORGANIZATION: Department of Parks and Recreation DATE: 3/31/70

STREET AND NUMBER: 1416 9th Street (Resources Building)

CITY OR TOWN: Sacramento STATE: California CODE: 06

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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 National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National:  State:  Local:

Name: [Signature]

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: August 3, 1970

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

[Signature]  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

MAY 6 1971

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Keeper of The National Register

Date: MAR 29 1971