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Title: Jose Serrano Adobe
Orange Co, CA

Loc. Front door of living
room. South wall
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1. Jose Serrano Adobe
 2. El Toro, California
 3. Charlotte Irons
 4. Feb. 1976
 5. Environmental Management Agency
 6. Front door of living room (leads to porch). South wall. Note 21 to 22 inch thickness of adobe walls.
 7. Photo # 18
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1. Jose Serrano Adobe
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3. Charlotte Irons **APR 22 1976**
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6. Kitchen. Wood frame. Added in 1932.
Facing west. Leads to office/den.
7. Photo # 30

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Loc.

Kitchen, Wood frame
Added 1932. Facing W
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Loc. Looking back (S) to
door leading to living
room.

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6. Looking back(south) toward door that leads to living room. Wing bedroom doors visible on either side. Armoire

closet is completely pegged, no nails, a Whiting piece of furniture

7. Photo # 20

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A-19. WHITING →
JOSÉ SERRANO S.W. VIEW
1935

ORANGE CO., CALIF., 1936
W. P. A. No. 3105

Mathews.

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1 NAME

HISTORIC Jose Serrano Adobe

AND/OR COMMON Serrano Adobe

2 LOCATION

CITY, TOWN El Toro

___VICINITY OF

COUNTY Orange

STATE CA

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT ?/possibly "Mathews" or C.E. Roberts

DATE OF PHOTO 1935

NEGATIVE FILED AT Environmental Management Agency

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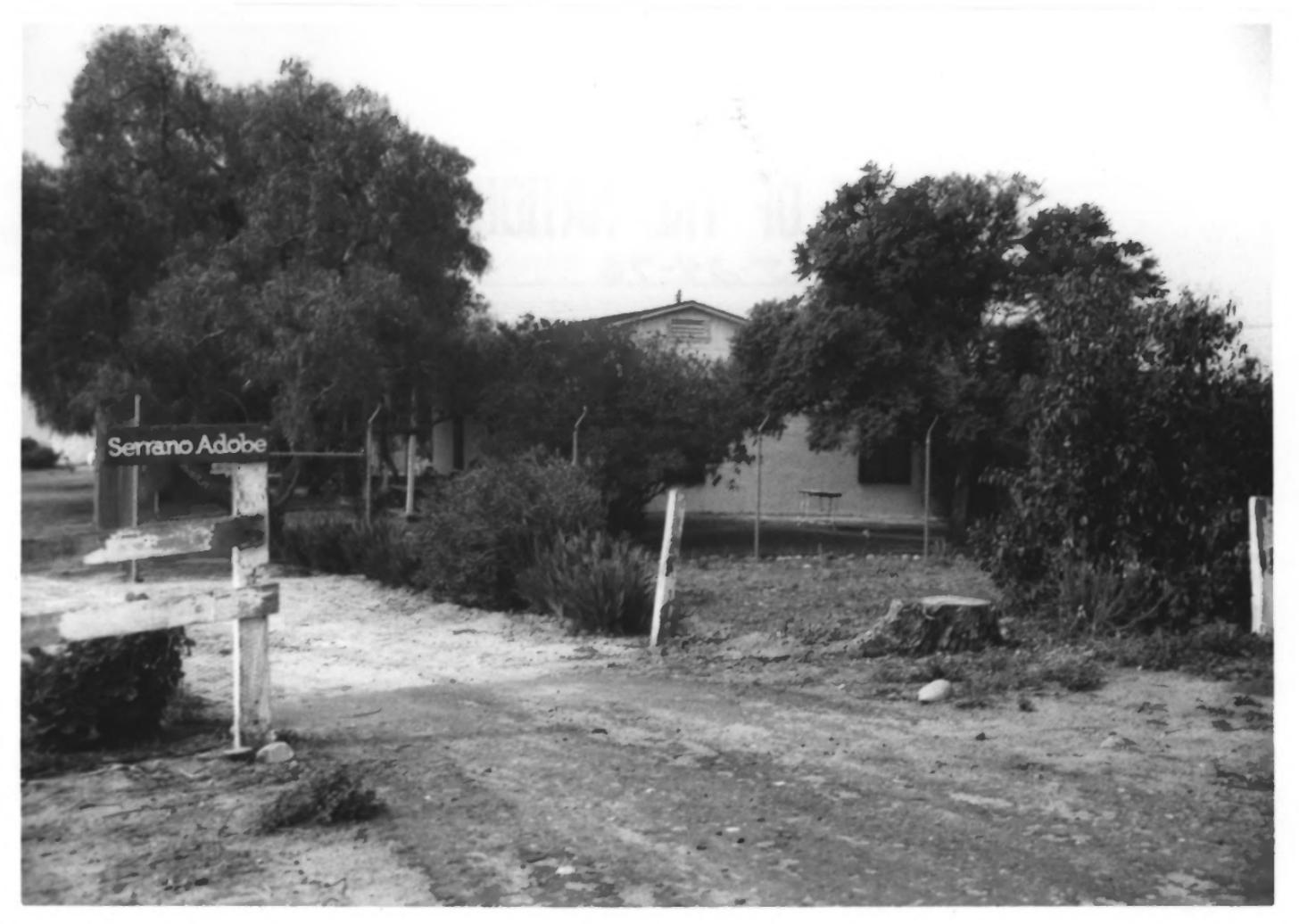
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Southwestern view of adobe, just after 1932 restoration.

Wood frame addition now houses office/den. Bird of Paradise just planted.

Same as photos 2,4,6,7

PHOTO NO. 40817

A black and white photograph of a historic site. In the foreground, a wooden signpost stands on a dirt path. The signpost has a horizontal board with the text "Serrano Adobe" written on it. Behind the signpost, a dirt road leads towards a large, single-story adobe building. The building is partially obscured by several large, leafy trees and some bushes. The sky is bright and overcast. The overall scene is a quiet, rural setting.

Serrano Adobe

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PHOTO CREDIT Charlotte Irons, Park Ranger/Historian DATE OF PHOTO Feb. 1976

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East side. Entrance gate.

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1. Jose Serrano Adobe
2. El Toro, California
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6. Southwest corner of master bedroom.
Whiting dresser. High ceiling. South
(left) wall of wood. West(right) wall of
adobe.
7. Photo # 29

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Loc.

SW corner of master
bedroom.

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PHOTO NO. 70817

Southeastern view of adobe, just prior to 1932 restoration
Wood frame addition in rear (right) possibly added after 1880. See "description" question #7 - stable/cooking area ??
See photo #10.



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PHOTO CREDIT Mr. Prothero

DATE OF PHOTO circa 1969 (exactly
the same today)

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Front (south) porch. Plaque on far end of wall (under horns) reads:
Note baked sand- stone tiling placed in 1932. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, HISTORIC LANDMARK NO. 199, LA CASA DE ADOBE DE JOSE SERRANO, HOME OF JOSE SERRANO, ORIGINAL GRANTEE OF RANCHO CANADA DE LOS ALISOS. RESTORED A.D. 1932.



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Loc. Wooden floor beam
between hallway &
dining room.

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1. Jose Serrano Adobe
2. El Toro, California
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4. Feb. 1976
5. Environmental Management Agency
6. Wooden floor beam between hallway and dining room. Identation indicates excessive wear, hence most probably the
7. site of the original back door. Photo # 22

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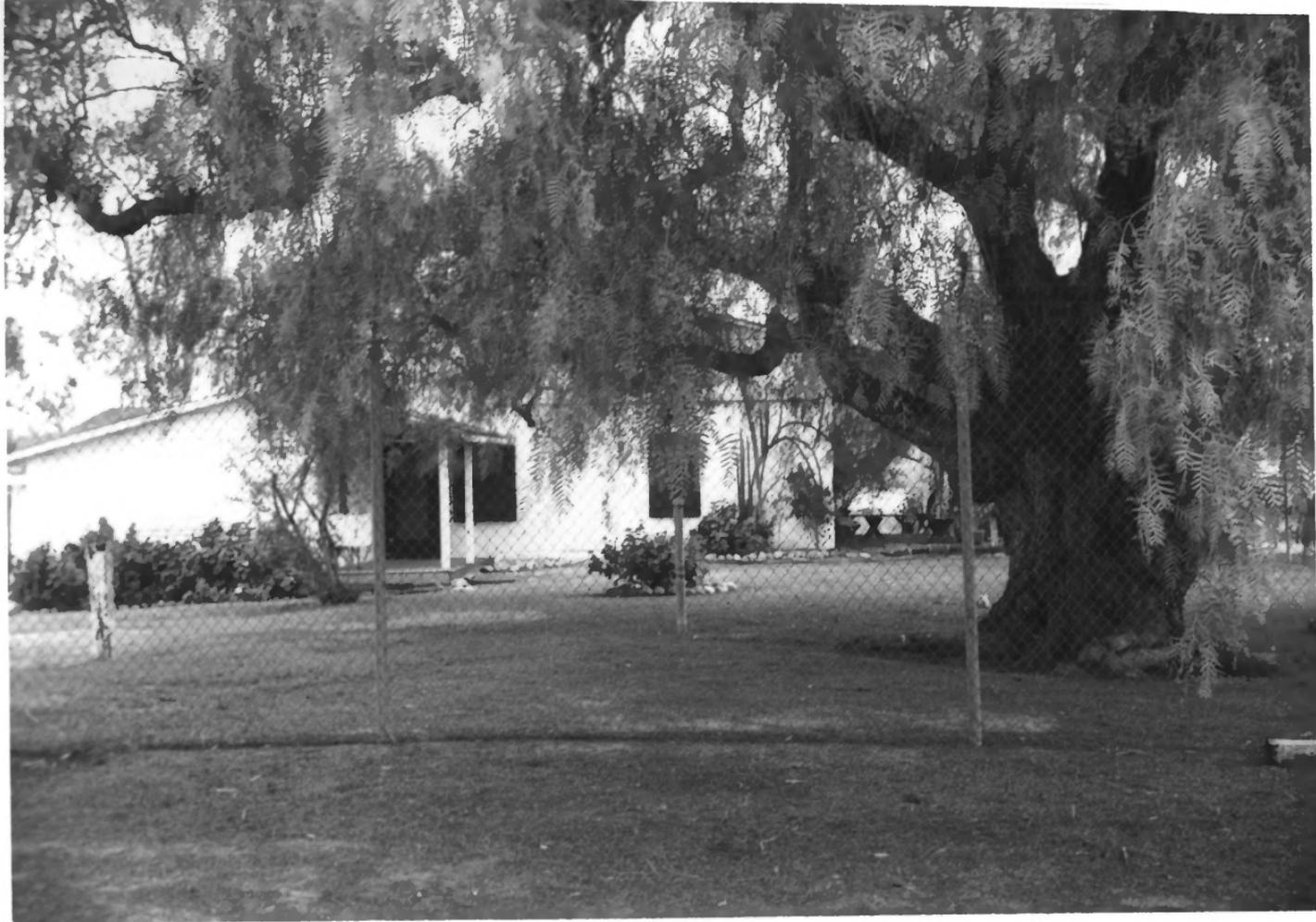
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Southwestern side. Cereus plant against adobe.
Wooden-frame addition on left, houses the present office/den.
Same as photos 2,3,4,7



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Loc. W view of adobe &
wood frame addition
of office/dex.

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7. Similar view to photos 2,3,4,6
Photo # 7

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 6. Western view of adobe(right) and wood frame addition of office/den(left).
- Pepper tree possibly planted by Serrano



Jose Serrano Adobe

El Toro, California

Photographer: Charlotte Irons

Date of photo: Feb. 1976

Location of neg.: Environmental Man. Agency
Description: East side of adobe. Shows back
area (now master bedroom, far right) as

seen in rear portion of photo #1 as the
wood frame stable or possibly early cooking
area.

Photo #101

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East side of adobe,
shows back area.

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6. Early farm equipment found in nearby creek, sitting on adobe property next to pepper tree. Much farm equipment

7. From area will be donated by community.
Photo # 13

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Early farm equipment
found in nearby creek
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6. Back(north)side of property. Wood frame dining area(left), kitchen, bathroom (right) and den.
7. Photo # 9

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Loc. Back (N) side of

Property.

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Facilities Manager

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PHOTO NO. 15 7/17

Front room/living room of adobe. Northwestern corner



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 6. Front room of adobe (living room).
 7. Southwest corner.
- Photo # 16
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Front room of adobe
(living room). SW
corner. 16 of 17



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Southwestern view of adobe , just prior to 1932 restoration

Pepper tree perhaps planted by Jose Serrano. Wood frame addition on left, date of addition unknown at this point. Possibly after 1880.

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