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ITEM 7 ADDENDUM - ZEMURRAY LODGE BOUNDARY INCREASE

The purpose of this addendum is to add @15 acres to the listed acreage of the Zemurray Gardens Lodge (see attached map). The new acreage will include the Joiner Cemetery, a pump house, and an outdoor theatre.

These features were originally excluded from the nominated area for two reasons:

- When the original nomination was prepared the applicant did not have a survey of the property. Hence a conservative set of boundaries were drawn to take in just the house and its immediate dependencies.
- (2) At the time of the National Register on-site inspection, the focus of the nomination was the house. Distant ancillary features such as the cemetery and the theatre were not brought to the staff's attention.

Recently the owner had the property surveyed and asked that the listed acreage be enlarged. Aside from lawn areas, trees, and shrubs, the added acreage contains the aforementioned pump house, cemetery and theatre.

The Pump House:

Contemporaneous with the 1922 renovation work on the main house, the pump house is a concrete and frame structure which is designed to resemble a galleried cottage. Its main feature is its round concrete columns which echo those on the main house.

The Joiner Cemetery:

This nineteenth century cemetery is linked with the history of the property because of its association with the Joiner family. (The Joiners were the first settlers on the site.) The cemetery consists mainly of plain unsculpted headstones of local sandstone. There are also some more modern graves. The cemetery is encompassed by a relatively new picket fence.

The Theatre:

Like the pump house, the theatre is contemporaneous with the 1922 renovation work on the main house. The structure has been largely overgrown in recent years and is difficult to make out in the photographs. It consists of a curving ledge or stage built up of local sandstone with a small lawn in front. The theatre area is ornamented with three statues and a bust of Bacchus on a terminus.

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### Contributing Elements:

Of course the cemetery is listed as a contributing element because of its association with the history of the property. The theatre is listed as a contributing element because it helps establish the identity of Zemurray Lodge as a rural recreational retreat. The pump house is listed as a contributing element because it is contemporaneous with the 1922 renovation of the main house and echoes the house's styling.

New UTMs: A: 15/755600/3390020

New Acreage: 22.879 acres

B: 15/755940/3390060

C: 15/756000/3389620

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Item 10. Boundary Justification - Addendum by State Historic Preservation Office

Eight acres surrounding the lodge was chosen as the nominated area in order to encompass the 1920's outbuildings and the garden setting of the property. These are important to recognize bacause they help convey Zemurray Gardens Lodge's identity as a rustic retreat recreation house. The Arts and Crafts style was generally associated with a contemporaneous "back to nature"/"back to basics" movement; so the rural environment of the lodge enhances the impact of the interiors as overall exemplars of the taste of their period.

