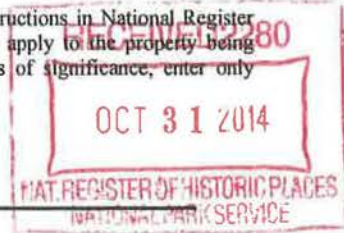


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.



1. Name of Property

Historic name: Saginaw County Fairgrounds Main Gate

Other names/site number: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

2. Location

Street & number: 2701 East Genesee Avenue

City or town: Saginaw State: MI County: Saginaw

Not For Publication: Vicinity:

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property x meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

 national statewide x local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

 x A B x C D

<u>Brian D Conway</u>	<u>10/27/14</u>
Signature of certifying official/Title:	Date
<u>MI SHPO</u>	
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government	

In my opinion, the property <u> </u> meets <u> </u> does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official:	Date
Title :	State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)

Joe Elson H. Beall
Signature of the Keeper

12-16-14
Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private:
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

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Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
_____	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
<u>1</u>	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Other/Ticket Booth-Gateway

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Vacant/Not in Use

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Brick, Limestone, Wood, Clay Tile

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

Standing at the northeast corner of the fifty-acre former site of the Saginaw County Fairgrounds facing the intersection of the two streets fronting the site, the gate is a sixty feet long by fifteen feet deep structure containing a ticket office at each end flanking central, side-by-side pedestrian and automobile gates. Constructed in 1929, the gate structure has walls and central piers constructed of red paving brick with a limestone base, window sill-level beltcourses, and window impost blocks. A white-painted wooden entablature displaying paired and single brackets supports a green clay Spanish tile hip roof.

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Narrative Description

The gate faces northeast toward the intersection of East Genesee Avenue and Webber Street. The east-west Webber Street fronts the former fairgrounds on the north and the northwest-to-southeast-running East Genesee Avenue fronts them on the northeast. East Genesee Avenue, a primary street on Saginaw's east side, is part of the Michigan section of the old Dixie Highway, which runs from Sault Ste. Marie to Detroit on its way to Atlanta, where it combines with a separate Chicago/western route on its way south to Miami.

The Saginaw County Fair was located at this site from 1914 until 2001, after which the county fair moved to new grounds near Chesaning, fifteen miles to the south-southwest. The former fairgrounds were then sold, and all buildings and structures have been demolished except for this gate and the former race track grandstand. The old fairgrounds are located on Saginaw's southeast side. The neighborhood contains some commercial development along East Genesee and mostly smaller, working-class homes. Saginaw High, one of the city's two public high schools, is located several blocks away on Webber.

The gate displays a ticket office at each end flanking two broad passages between them. The northwest office was the ticket office for pedestrians, who entered the broad passage closer to it, controlled by a now-removed turnstile system. The southeast office served as a ticket and gatekeeper's office for the automobile entry point/passage next to it. Square-plan brick piers separate the two equal-width passages at the structure's front and back and support wooden lintels whose lower sides slope very gently upward to a point in the center. The office sections at the ends have raised brick piers marking the ends of their narrow outer end walls and a segmental-arch-head ticket window in the center of the inner side facing the passage. The street-facing front of each office has a slant-sided bay, containing a segmental-arch-head window in each face, spanning most of its front. The offices' rear, southwest facades are flat, and each contains a door.

The gate structure displays an Arts-and-Crafts character. The windows are edged by single rows of headers and rowlocks across the top, with plain limestone impost blocks at the upper corners, and the upper piers each contains a panel of flush-laid soldier bricks, five across by two high. A beltcourse of rowlock bricks, with plain limestone blocks at the angles, rings each office exterior just below the wooden entablature and roof. Paired brackets rising above the end piers, above the center passage piers, and flanking the outer ends of the passages support the roof, which projects broadly beyond the walls in those areas. The green clay Spanish tile hip roof is capped by a flagpole rising above a square-plan pedestal toward each end. The passages are now closed off by tall chain-link fences, part of a chain-link fence system that encloses the former fairgrounds' entire street-facing sides.

The ticket office interiors are simply finished with painted brick walls and narrow beaded board ceilings.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- B. Removed from its original location
- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Entertainment/Recreation
Architecture

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Period of Significance
1929-64

Significant Dates
1929

Significant Person
(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Architect/Builder
Cowles & Mutscheller, Saginaw, MI, architects

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

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This gate structure served as the main entry gate for the Saginaw County Fair from its construction in 1929 until the closing of these fairgrounds after the 2001 fair. Historically the street face of the fairgrounds, the gate today remains one of the only standing structures of the nearly three dozen buildings and structures at this large fairgrounds, which contained agricultural and other exhibit buildings, merchants' buildings, a grandstand and racetrack, food stands and farmers' market, a duck pond and picnic park, and other features. The gate, though modest in size, is notable for its fine Arts-and-Crafts-inspired architecture and as a unique and appealing product of a leading early twentieth-century Saginaw architectural firm, Cowles & Mutscheller, comprised of Clarence Cowles (1869-1935) and George Mutscheller (1882-1936).

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

County fairs, with their roots and continuing emphasis on agriculture, have a very long history in Saginaw County. An editorial in the *East Saginaw Courier* of October 13, 1859, under the heading "Let Us Have a Fair," asked, "Inasmuch as Fairs, Horse Shows, Agricultural and Mechanical Exhibitions are now the order of the day in all quarters of the State, and every other State for that matter, ... why it is that we cannot get up something of the kind in the Valley of Saginaw? ... Let all classes, Farmers, Nurserymen, Mechanics, Lumbermen, Merchants, Fishermen, and more especially the Ladies take an interest, and we really believe we can have a Fair of our own that will do us honor. ... We make the suggestion; will not some of the leading men in the Valley take hold of the matter and see what can be done?" A follow-up article two weeks later (October 27, 1859) noted "that the matter is being talked about," but nothing concrete resulted at the time.

The Saginaw County Fair originated with the organization of a Saginaw County Agricultural Society on March 20, 1866. The society established a fairgrounds in East Saginaw – this once separate city on the east side of the Saginaw River merged with Saginaw City, west of the river, in 1890 to form today's city of Saginaw – on the east side of South Jefferson Avenue between Sidney (now Rust) and Webber Streets in what is now the near south side of the city east of the Saginaw River. The society held its first fair October 3-5, 1866.

In May 1873 a group of Saginaw City businessmen and farmers organized a separate Saginaw Central Agricultural Society "to promote the agricultural interest of the county's western townships." The society held its first fair September 15-17, 1873, on grounds located on Court Street near State on the West Side.

The east and west-side societies each held their own fair annually for a time, reportedly vying for subsidies from the county board of supervisors, but after a few years the two agreed to hold their fairs in alternate years. Mills' Saginaw County history states that the west-side society "maintained a fairly successful existence for about fifteen years, but at length disbanded and its ground reverted to the uses of agriculture" (Mills, I, 701).

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Mills (I, 700) states that the Saginaw County Agricultural Society disbanded “almost” thirty years after its founding, or about 1895. In its last year the society held its fair at Union Park, a privately owned park on the city’s West Side that featured a fine race track. Its owner, Isaac Beringer – whose pet hobby of fine driving horses, according to Mills, led to him developing the park – was a leading businessman in Saginaw, with lumber interests in Michigan, Ontario, and West Virginia, and also a banker, developer of the first local trolley line, and a paving brick manufacturer. The park was abandoned in 1905 and platted into lots in 1906 (Mills, I, 700; II, 78-81).

No Saginaw County fair was then held from the mid-1890s until 1912, when a new Saginaw County School and Farm Bureau Association was organized. That fall and in 1913 the association “gave interesting educational exhibits at Riverside Park” on the city’s West Side (Mills, I, 700).

From this beginning a new Saginaw County Agricultural Society was organized in 1914. Their first fair took place October 4-7, 1914, at the Saginaw Driving Club grounds – soon to become the permanent home of the fair for the next ninety years, located on the East Side bounded by Genesee on the east and Webber on the north, where the nominated Main Gate is located – and hosted a reported 40,000 visitors. The driving club’s horse racing track, dating back to 1873, became a key feature of the fairgrounds (Mills, I, 701; “Fair Here One of Nation’s Biggest,” *The Saginaw News*, 8/24/1947).

In 1917 the county agricultural society purchased the driving club grounds and began making their own improvements, including two exhibit buildings that first year, with more planned. By the 1919 fair a series of views of “Some of the Magnificent Buildings” at the fairgrounds shows large wooden Agricultural, Cattle, Horses, Automobiles, Educational, and Manufacturers buildings, and a Machinery Building was to be built in 1920 to augment the display space in the Manufacturers Building. New features and buildings were added over the years, and the fair’s attendance figures jumped upward – to 225,000 over seven days in 1946. In a 1947 story on the fair, manager Clarence H. Harnden, a former president of the National Association of Fairs, was quoted as stating that among county fairs “the Saginaw exposition is surpassed in attendance and gate receipts only by the Pomona, Calif., County Fair” (“Fair Here One of Nation’s Biggest”). A 1978 story makes note of the fairgrounds’ seventy-eight-acre site, and a map shows thirty-eight buildings and structures, including the race track and grandstand (“Saginaw Fair Observes 65th Year,” *The Saginaw News*, 9/12/1978).

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The Main Gate

One of the improvements of the 1920s at the Saginaw County Fairgrounds was the construction of three new gates to the grounds. Two of the gates were automobile gateways leading to the large parking area at the south end of the site, one located at the south end of the fairgrounds off Genesee, the other off Hess Avenue. The nominated Main Gate structure was built in the same location as an earlier main gate facing the Genesee/Webber intersection. This was built to provide both a main pedestrian entrance to the fair and an automobile entrance.

Surviving plans for the structure, designed by Saginaw architects Cowles & Mutscheller, are dated July 1929. The completed structure is illustrated in a September 9, 1929, story in *The Saginaw News*. The article states, "... the new main entrance does much to improve the general appearance of the property. Handsomely constructed of brick, it makes an imposing entry-way off Genesee avenue at the north end of the grounds. It is, of course, located at the same spot the main entrance always has been. The gateway includes entrances for both automobiles and pedestrians, with wide columns and an attractive arch between the two built-in rooms for the ticket sellers and gatemen."

The structure's architects, Cowles & Mutscheller, were Clarence Cowles (1869-1935) and George Mutscheller (1882-1936). Born in not-far-distant Flint, Cowles moved to Saginaw and opened his own architectural office in 1893. Mutscheller was born in Sturgis and moved to Saginaw by 1908, when he and Cowles formed the Cowles & Mutscheller firm. Saginaw historian and architectural historian Thomas Trombley states that, "In the first decade of the twentieth century, Clarence Cowles produced designs for a number of substantial private and public buildings. Although he employed many different historically inspired styles, his work is characterized by structural innovation and imaginative manipulation of space." Trombley lists among Cowles' own buildings St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral, 601 Hoyt, a Gothic building built 1901, and the Forest Lawn Cemetery Comfort Station, exotic for Saginaw in its Moorish elements.

A 1915 article cited by Trombley reported that the Cowles & Mutcheller firm "has designed 1,600 buildings since its inception" ("Cowles & Mutscheller Architects," *Commerce of Greater Saginaw*). He states, "In the teens, Cowles and Mutscheller designed some of their finest buildings. They progressively moved away from historical revival styles and developed a personal style based on the American Arts and Crafts Movement. In the late 1920s the office produced designs for three major buildings in the Art Deco style."

The Saginaw County Fairgrounds Main Gate, while certainly not one of the firm's larger and more costly commissions, displays fine architectural design qualities and is a notable example of the firm's Arts-and-Crafts-inspired work.

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Recent History

After the 2001 fair, the Saginaw County Fair moved to a new fairgrounds outside of Saginaw in Chesaning, with the first fair held there in 2002. The old fairgrounds property in Saginaw was purchased by the Saginaw Housing Commission in 2002. In 2009 most of the fairground buildings were demolished. No new development has taken place at the site. Beginning in 2010 Saginaw historians and the Saginaw Valley Historic Preservation Society have proposed creating a memorial park on a small section of the property centered on the gate at the Genesee/Webber corner. The proposal has the support of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners and the Saginaw County Fair Board but will require city and housing commission support and raising funds to purchase the property needed.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ___ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ___ previously listed in the National Register
- ___ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ___ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ___ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ___ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
- ___ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

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- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates (decimal degrees)

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or NAD 1983

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4. Zone: Easting : Northing:

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The nominated property's boundary begins at the intersection of the south Webber Street right-of-way line west of E. Genesee Ave., extended east to its intersection with the west-southwest right-of-way line of E. Genesee Ave. south of Webber St., extended north-northwest. The east-northeast boundary follows the west-southwest right-of-way line of E. Genesee from the pt of beginning for 175 ft. The north boundary begins at the pt of beginning and extends west from there 150 ft. to a point along the south right-of-way line of Webber St. The south line runs west from the south-southeast end of the east-northeast boundary and parallel with Webber St. to the intersection with the west line, and the west line runs south from the west end of the north line to its intersection with the south line.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The gate structure stands southwest about fifty feet from the E. Genesee/Webber intersection. The nominated property includes an adjacent portion of the historically open space around the gate structure that should be maintained to provide separation in the event of new development on the former fairgrounds property. The rest of the former fairgrounds has been almost entirely obliterated and the site is to be made available for new development in the future.

11. Form Prepared By

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date: August 2014

Additional Documentation

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- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Saginaw County Fairgrounds Main Gate

City or Vicinity: Saginaw

County: Saginaw

State: MI

Photographer: Jeff Cottrell

Date Photographed: August 23, 2014

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

1 of 8: Northeast and southeast facades

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2 of 8: Northeast and northwest facades

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3 of 8: Southeast and northeast facades

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4 of 8: Pedestrian gate, northeast and southeast facades

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5 of 8: Back side of gate, southwest and northeast facades

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6 of 8: Interior of ticket office

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7 of 8: Ticket office ceiling

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8 of 8: View of fairgrounds site showing surviving grandstand

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.



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Lat.: 43.407299; Long.: -83.917084

WEBBER ST GATE

2701
FAIR HOUSING
SAGINAW
PRIVATE
PROPERTY
NO TRESPASSING

Century 21
COMMERCIAL
SIGNATURE REALTY
989-921-7002

WEBBER ST. GATE

2701

NO TRESPASSING

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SIGNATURE REALTY
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2701
FAIRBROTHERS
SAGIN
PRIVATE
PROPERTY
NO TRESPASSING

WEBER ST GATE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Saginaw County Fairgrounds Main Gate

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MICHIGAN, Saginaw

DATE RECEIVED: 10/31/14 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/25/14
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/10/14 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/17/14
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 14001045

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 12-16-14 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in
The National Register
of
Historic Places

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



STATE OF MICHIGAN

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WAYNE WORKMAN
ACTING-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



October 22, 2014

Mr. J. Paul Loether, Chief
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW, 8th Floor
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed is a national register nomination form for the Saginaw County Fairgrounds Main Gate in Saginaw, Saginaw County, Michigan. This property is being submitted for listing in the national register. No written comments concerning this nomination were submitted to us prior to the submission of this nomination to you.

Questions concerning this nomination should be addressed to Robert O. Christensen, national register coordinator, by phone at 517/335-2719 or email at christensenr@michigan.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Brian D. Conway
State Historic Preservation Officer

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