

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

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

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

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**1. Name**

historic Mangham State Bank Building

and/or common same

**2. Location**

street & number corner of Main & Horace Sts. N/A not for publication

city, town Mangham N/A vicinity of

state LA code 22 county Richland Parish code 083

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	N/A being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant
			<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

**4. Owner of Property**

name Town of Mangham, Office of the Mayor 318-248-2170

street & number P, O, Box 94

city, town Mangham N/A vicinity of state LA 71259

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Richland Parish Courthouse

street & number P, O, Box 119 Courthouse Square (no specific address)

city, town Rayville state LA 71269

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title LA Historic Sites Survey has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☒ no

date 1984 ☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records LA State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge state LA

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date <u>N/A</u>

### **Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

The Mangham State Bank (1909) is a two story brick commercial building with classical details located in the central business district of the small town of Mangham. It has received one easily reversible exterior alteration and has suffered some interior deterioration.

The Mangham State Bank Building has an angle corner entrance which leads to a large banking hall with a cast-iron vault. The building also contains a dry goods store which is set behind the banking hall on the east side. The staircase ascends from the southwest corner to a hallway and offices upstairs. As in most two story commercial buildings, the staircase is entered from the outside.

The exterior features segmentally arched openings, plate glass windows, corbel brackets, and a cast-iron column at the corner entrance. The upper story is articulated with a pair of end pavilions, a more or less full entablature, and keystones over the principal windows.

The interior features varnished woodwork, beaded boards, transoms over the doors, and pressed metal ceilings. The ornamental cast-iron vault door survives as does the original banking counter.

### Assessment of Integrity:

Since construction a metal awning has been added above the first story; however, it has not impacted any of the bank's significant features. In any case, it is slated for removal as part of a proposed restoration project. The deterioration of the brick walls and the pressed metal is serious in a few places, but the building still easily conveys its architectural style and significance. (The pressed metal is so badly deteriorated that it cannot be saved.)

NB: The town of Mangham is actively seeking funds to restore the bank for use as a city hall, and the Division of Historic Preservation has been providing technical assistance and advice on the project.

## 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 checked="" 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 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 type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

<b>Specific dates</b>	1909	<b>Builder/Architect</b>	Builder: Mangham State Bank
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<b>Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)</b>	Criterion C
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The Mangham State Bank is locally significant in the area of architecture because it is an architectural landmark among the older commercial buildings in Richland Parish. It is one of the two most elaborately styled and intact historic commercial buildings in the parish.

A windshield survey of Richland Parish conducted by the Louisiana National Register staff in October 1984 revealed that the ten towns and/or villages in the parish contain approximately seventy older commercial buildings (fifty years old or older). Most of these are plain one story structures with significant alterations. There are also fourteen two story buildings which are similar in style and integrity to the aforementioned single story buildings.

The Mangham State Bank is conspicuous among this group because of its classical styling. The bank features end pavilion articulation, a full entablature, and a single classical column. It is easily one of the two most pretentious commercial buildings in the parish. Most comparable examples do not feature "high style" articulation of any kind. In addition, the Mangham Bank is also significant because it is relatively unaltered, which is extremely rare among older commercial buildings in Richland Parish.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Windshield Survey of Richland Parish Central Business Districts, National Register staff, LA State Historic Preservation Office, October 1984,

c.1910 photo of Mangham State Bank

Historical sketch of Mangham State Bank prepared by Bennie M. Hixon, Copy in Register file,

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property        @ 1/12 of an acre

Quadrangle name Mangham, LA

Quadrangle scale 1:62500

UTM References

A 15 615250 3575050  
Zone Easting Northing

B                    
Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Please refer to enclosed sketch map. The northern boundary follows the curbline of Main St. The western boundary follows the curbline of Horace St. The eastern boundary follows a party wall. The southern boundary cuts close to the bank in order to exclude the adjacent modern city hall.

state N/A code county code

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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organization Division of Historic Preservation  
State of Louisiana

Assisted by the Honorable Frellsen  
Reese, Mayor of Mangham

date January 1985

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city or town Baton Rouge

state LA 70804

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

   national    state X 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 National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Robert B. DeBlieux

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date March 28, 1985

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

Entered in the  
National Register

date 5-9-85

for  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

MANGHAM STATE BANK  
RICHLAND PARISH, LA.

(NOT TO SCALE)

