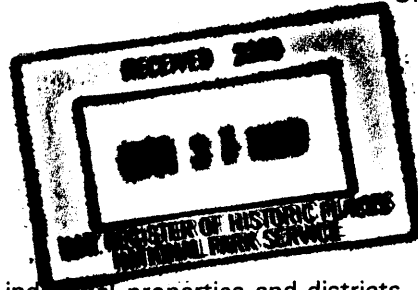


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# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determination for individual properties and districts. See instruction in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an 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. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

### 1. Name of Property

historic name Pipe Line School

other names/site number Glade Park Community Building, 5ME7362

### 2. Location

street & number 101 16.5 S Road [N/A] not for publication

city or town Glade Park [N/A] vicinity

state Colorado code CO county Mesa code 077 zip code 81523

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  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  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally.  
( See continuation sheet for additional comments [ ]. )

*Chrysanne Canty* State Historic Preservation Officer 3/23/99 Date

State Historic Preservation Office, Colorado Historical Society  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  
( See continuation sheet for additional comments [ ]. )

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register  
See continuation sheet [ ].
- determined eligible for the  
National Register  
See continuation sheet [ ].
- determined not eligible for the  
National Register.
- removed from the  
National Register
- other, explain  
See continuation sheet [ ].

*Edson H. Beall* Signature of the Keeper Date 4.29.99

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Pipe Line School  
Name of Property

Mesa/CO  
County/State

**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

**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not count previously listed resources.)

Contributing                  Noncontributing

1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing.**

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

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**Number of contributing resources  
previously listed in the National  
Register.**

0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Function**

(Enter categories from instructions)

EDUCATION/school  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL/meeting hall  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Rural schoolhouse  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete  
walls Wood  
\_\_\_\_\_  
roof Asphalt  
other Wood  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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**DESCRIPTION**

The 1922 Pipe Line School is located adjacent to a rural road in the eastern portion of Glade Park, a remote 600,000 acre area located in western Mesa County. The school served the student population of the surrounding area until its closure in 1951. Since then, the building has remained in continuing use as a community meeting place. In 1973, at the request of the landowner, the building was moved less than 200 feet to the south onto a donated site. The orientation of the building was not changed.

At the time of the move, the building was placed on a concrete foundation that includes a crawl space. The small outside entrance to what had been a half basement under the north half of the building was removed. No additional structural changes were made. At the entry, a landing and three steps of concrete, with metal handrails, was constructed in place of the original landing and five steps with handrails of wood.

Pipe Line School is in good condition, and in spite of its relocation retains a high degree of integrity in terms of setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. The property meets the registration requirements for the Rural Schoolhouse Property Type as set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, *Rural School Buildings in Colorado*.

The 1,650 square foot, one story, wood frame building with drop siding has an irregular plan. The classroom portion forms a rectangle measuring 63' 3" in width x 24' in depth. A centrally located, 12' x 5' hipped roof vestibule extends from the east facade. The walls are painted white, and the trim is a light tan. The hipped roof is covered with brown asphalt shingles. Rafter tails are exposed in the wide, overhanging eaves.

On the east, a group of five 34" x 54", wood framed, double hung windows is symmetrically placed on each side of the entry. On the west, set high on the wall, there are eight 3' x 2" wood framed, double hung windows set horizontally. The north and south sides each have one window, similarly placed.

Access to the building is through the original wood paneled door on the east. Inside the vestibule, there are several small shelves which were used to hold student water bottles. At the rear of the vestibule, there are two original wood paneled doors leading into the classroom space. One is on each side of the still in place folding partition wall that was used to divide the building into two classrooms.

On the interior, the wainscot and upper walls have vertical wood tongue and groove paneling. The original tongue and groove oak flooring is still in place and is in good condition. Electrical conduit was installed at unknown date on the wood ceiling. Moveable handmade wooden benches rest under the windows on the east wall. On the west wall, the original 21' x 4' and 25' x 4' blackboards made from boards painted with black paint to simulate slate can still be used. In one blackboard, there is a hole

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that reportedly dates back 60 years to when a .22 caliber rifle shell that had been placed on a wood stove exploded and penetrated the blackboard.

The building was originally heated by two wood stoves. At the time of the move in 1973, the stoves and their chimneys then on northwest and southwest corners of the roof were removed. Two overhead propane heaters were installed. In 1996, two propane panel heaters replaced the 1973 heaters. Their chimneys pierce the lower edge of the roof toward the center on the west. Plumbing was also installed in 1973, as were two restrooms and a kitchen area at the south end of the building.



East Facade - 1930

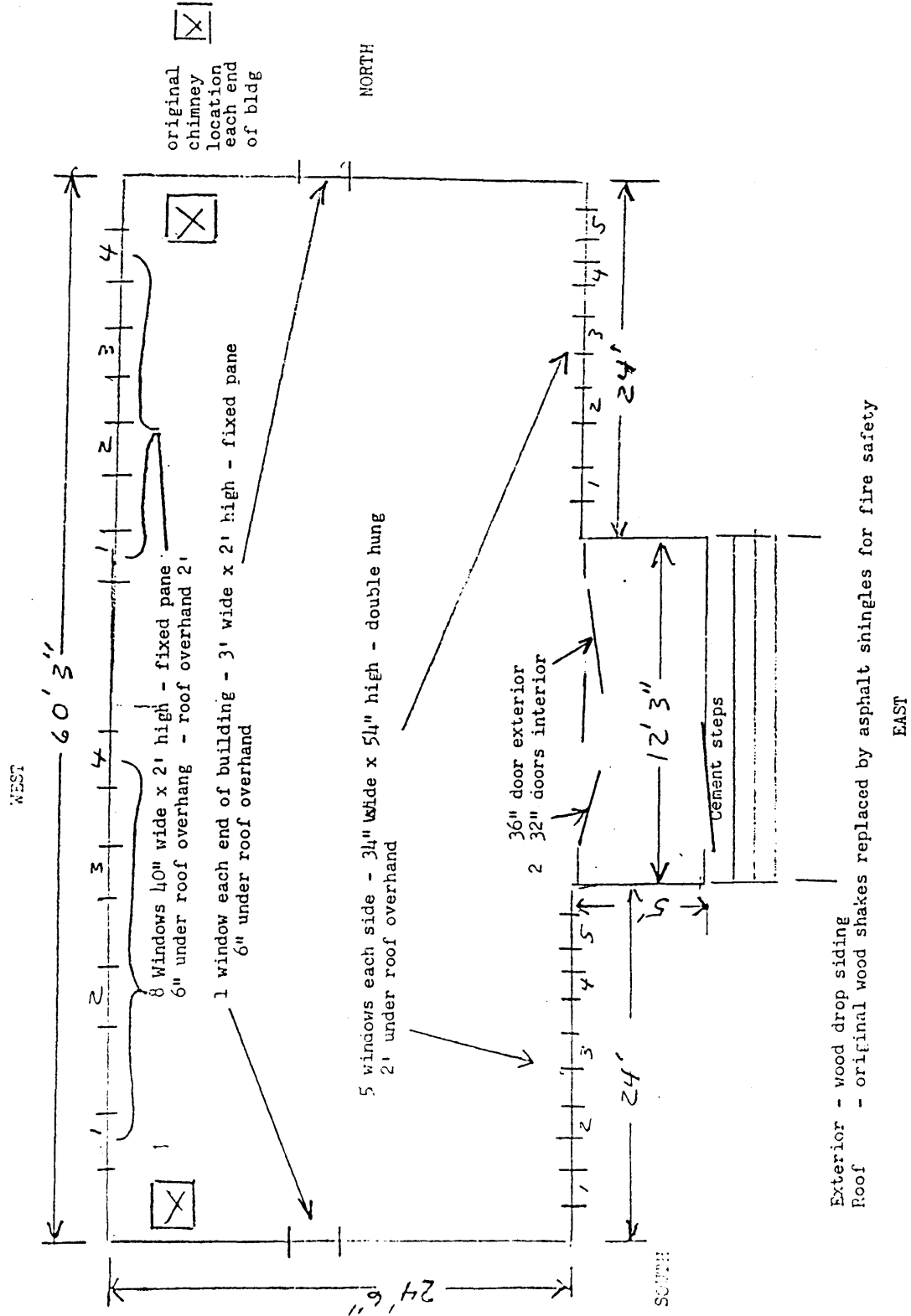
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EXTERIOR PLAN



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101 1/2 S Road - Glade Park, Co 81523

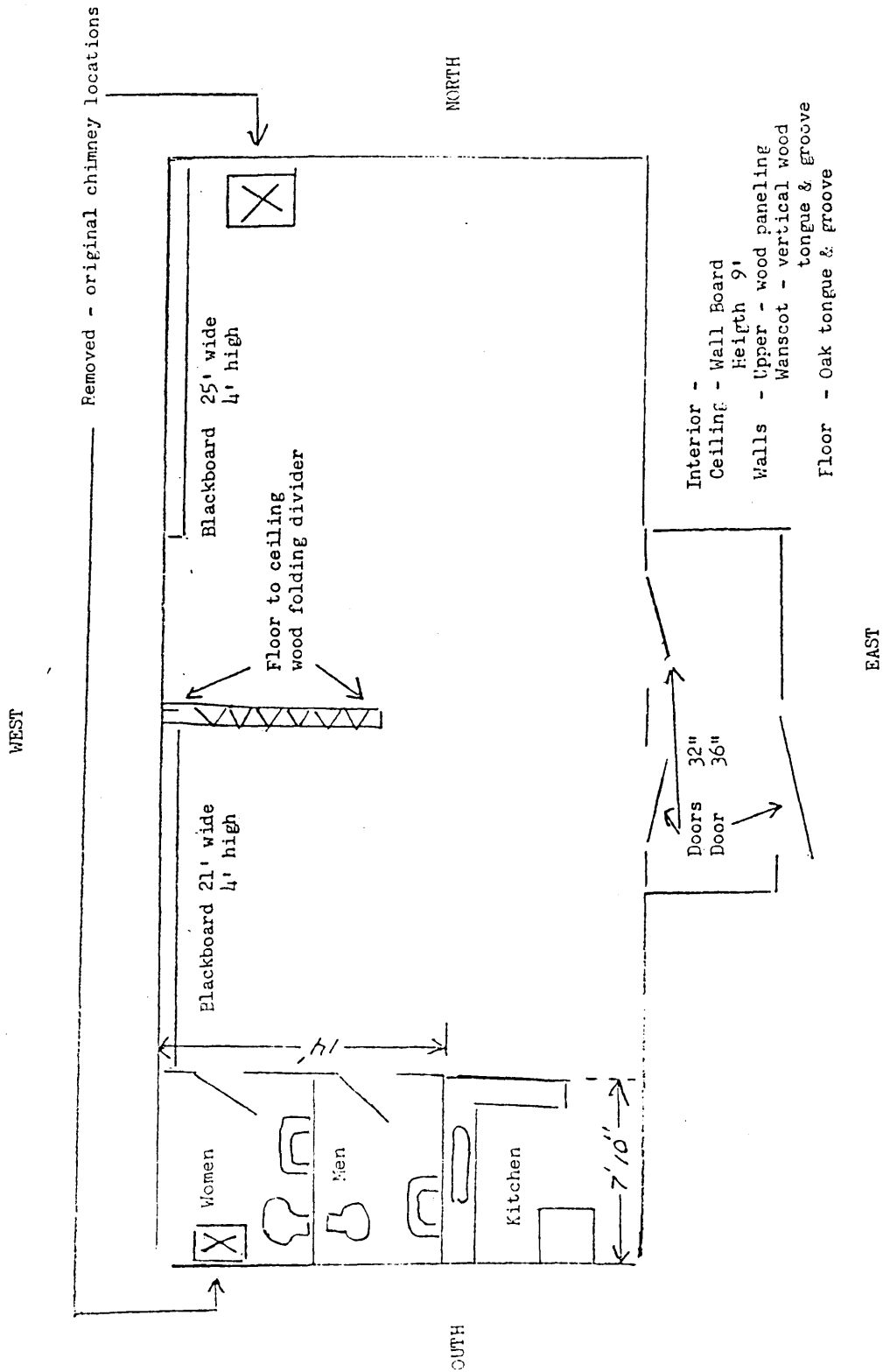
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INTERIOR PLAN



Interior -  
 Ceiling - Wall Board Height 9'  
 Walls - Upper - wood paneling  
 Wainscot - vertical wood tongue & groove  
 Floor - Oak tongue & groove

Glade Park Community Services Building  
 101 1/2 S Road - Glade Park, Co 81523

Pipe Line School

Mesa/CO

Name of Property

County/State

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.
[x] 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.)

Property is:

- [ ] A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
[x] 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 of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Periods of Significance

1922

Significant Dates

1922

Significant Person(s)

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above).

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographic References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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
#

Primary location of additional data:

- [X] State Historic Preservation Office
[ ] Other State Agency
[ ] Federal Agency
[ ] Local Government
[ ] University
[ ] Other:

Name of repository:

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

The 1922 Pipe Line School is significant under Criterion C for Architecture as a well preserved local example of rural schoolhouse construction. The building embodies the distinctive characteristics of the rural schoolhouse property type as defined in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, *Rural School Buildings in Colorado*, through its size, materials, color, and fenestration pattern which is associated with its period of construction. In addition, its hipped roof also reflects "an expression of innovation" as recommended in school plan books of the early 1900s. When moved less than 200 feet in 1973, the building's original orientation was preserved.

Pipe Line School is the area's only surviving, intact example of wood frame schoolhouse construction able to reflect the historic rural character of Glade Park. Following the closure of the school in 1951, the building continued to be used as a community meeting place. Now, as this part of Mesa County becomes more urbanized, Pipe Line School serves as a visible reminder of the strong will and determination of early settlers to adequately educate their children. It presents an interesting contrast to the National Register listed Coates Creek Schoolhouse (5ME6985), a 1919 log structure located near the Colorado/Utah border at the western edge of Glade Park that operated until 1971.

**Historic Background**

Glade Park is a remote 600,000 acre area located in western Mesa County. During the early 1900s, Glade Park was a day's travel from Grand Junction, the nearest large town. Glade Park is best defined as a place, not as a city, town, or village. It has never had a large population. The first ranchers to come to the area settled the west end in 1883. Sheep were brought in from Utah in 1908. By 1910, a series of irrigation projects encouraged dryland farmers to begin settling the east end. During the school term of 1911-1912, the Mesa County school offices in Grand Junction listed only two operating Glade Park schools. The exact number of rural schoolhouse that existed at one time or another is unknown.

As more farmers and ranchers settled in the east end, it became clear that the traditional one room schoolhouse would no longer suffice, and a larger school was built. Pipe Line School was the only Glade Park school to provide separate rooms for different grade levels. For a time the student population required three teachers.

The 1922 Pipe Line School should not be confused with a circa 1910 log structure known as the East End or Pipe Line School. In both cases, the proximity of the Fruita water supply pipe line most likely accounts for the choice of name. The exact location of this no longer extant log structure is unconfirmed, but it is believed to have been in the general area of the 1922 Pipe Line School. When the log school was abandoned, classes were reportedly held in a vacated church building located west of the main intersection of the DS and 16 Road.



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Circa 1918, the Board of Church Extension of the United Presbyterian Synod of Topeka, Kansas, had constructed a small wood frame building, with a pyramid roof, which was used for a short period of time for church services and community events. To date no record has been found revealing why the church sold the building to an F. A. Moore on April 30, 1918. A little more than a year later, Moore transferred title to School District #41, which became a part of School District #51 in the early 1950s. School classes reportedly were held in the church at least during 1921.

According to oral history, in the summer of 1922, the church building was moved approximately one-quarter mile to the historic school site. Three of its walls were utilized to construct the south half of the present building, which most likely explains the vertical wood strip on the west wall that marks a change in the wood siding between the south and north halves. An interior wood folding partition allowed for the creation of two classrooms. Grades one through ten were held in the south classroom, grades five through eight in the north. At the time of construction, a basement with walls of rock and dirt was included under the north half. During periods of peak school population, ninth and tenth grade classes were held in the basement.

Pipe Line School continued operating as the only school on the east end of Glade Park through the 1950-1951 school year. During its declining years from 1946 to 1951, student population required only one teacher. Following closure of the school, the building continued to be a convenient place for the community to hold meetings and social functions.

Meetings resulting in the formation of the Glade Park Telephone Company were held in the 1950s. This brought 8-party telephone lines to Glade Park, replacing the single wire ground style. The school served as the local polling place until the 1960s. In 1957, the Pinon Mesa Stock Growers' Association took title from School District #51. Meetings to form the Glade Park Volunteer Fire Department took place in the 1970s.

Circa 1970, the owner of the 1922 school site asked that the school building be removed from his land in order to protect him from liability. Orren B. and Alice Hubbard donated land for the relocation of the building. In 1973, the building was moved less than 200 feet to the south onto the donated land. In 1973, the Glade Park Community Services Association, Inc. was formed and took title to the property. The building continues to be used for community meetings and other functions.

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OK: University of Oklahoma Press, 1994.

**Oral History**

Little written documentation has been found on the building, and much of the available information has been obtained from long time local residents having personal knowledge of the building. Those interviewed during 1995 and 1996 include:

Olive Lane Blackburn, former student, Grand Junction, CO

Lloyd Files, former student, Grand Junction, CO

Shirley Gore, Glade Park, CO

Leona Lane Hatch, former student, Grand Junction, CO

Viola Holloway, former student, Glade Park, CO.

Josephine Lawson, Fruita, CO

Curtis Rhyne, former student, Glade Park, CO

Eleanor Seeley, author of a November 1985 paper, "A History of Glade Park Schools."

Ralph Seeley, former student, Glade Park, CO

Jay Van Loan, Glade Park, CO

Maxine Van Loan, former student, Glade Park, CO

**GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary includes only the footprint of the building plus 10 feet surrounding its perimeter.

**Boundary Justification**

Because the building has been moved to its present location, the entire site is not historically associated with the property.

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Mesa/CO

Name of Property

County/State

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of Property less than one acre

**UTM References**

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone Easting Northing

3. Zone Easting Northing

2. Zone Easting Northing

4. Zone Easting Northing

[ ] See continuation sheet

**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Dori Van Loan (Edited by S. Doggett 03/17/99)

organization Glade Park Community Services, Inc. date 01-17-97

street & number P.O. Box 23070 telephone 970-241-2837

city or town Glade Park state CO zip code 81523

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps**

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs**

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

**Additional Items**

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Glade Park Community Services, Inc., Ralph Seeley, President

street & number P.O. Box 23162 telephone 970-243-9887

city or town Glade Park state CO zip code 81523

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**PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG**

The following information pertains to photographs numbers 1-4:

Name of Property: Pipe Line School  
Location: 101 16.5 S Road, Glade Park, Mesa County, CO  
Photographer: Dori Van Loan, Glade Park Community Services, Inc.  
Date of Photographs: Fall 1996  
Negatives: P.O. Box 23070, Glade Park, CO 81523

<u>Photo No.</u>	<u>Information</u>
1	East facade, view west
2	South and east sides, view northwest
3	North and west sides, view southeast
4	West and south sides, view northeast

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