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ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME E. M. White Dairy Barn		COUNTY Maricopa	INVENTORY NO. 201
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Ox Bow		QUAD/COUNTY MAP	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 1810 East Apache			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Tempe	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 132-66-55		
OWNER OF PROPERTY Donald C. & Fay Hoots	PHONE		
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5839 E. Caron Circle			
CITY, TOWN Paradise Valley	STATE Arizona	ZIP 85283	
FORM PREPARED BY Janus Associates, Inc.	DATE 12/82		
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CITY, TOWN Tempe	STATE Arizona	ZIP 85282	
PHOTO BY Tempe Historical Society	DATE 1982		
VIEW looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE Dairy barn			
PRESENT USE Tavern	ACREAGE less one		
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES early 1900s			
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION			
<p>The White Dairy Barn is a square, single-story building constructed of concrete and river cobbles. The building features a stepped parapet with concrete parapet copings and a concrete pediment at the roof line. Concrete columns at regular intervals provide support for the building. Intervals between the columns are infilled with courses of river cobbles. The entire building is painted white.</p> <p>The front facade has been altered with the addition of signage and a canopy over the main entry. Two large glass block windows have been added to the front facade, one on either side of the entry. Two additions at the rear of the building have stepped parapets and plastered walls painted white.</p> <p>The building is in excellent condition. Major original design features, such as the parapet, exposed concrete columns, door framing, and cobble surfaces, have been preserved.</p>			
			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The White Dairy Barn is the only known river cobble building remaining in Tempe, and was built around 1918 to 1920 by E. M. White, after he bought the property from M. H. Meyer and J. H. Guyer. White came to Arizona from California in 1908 and farmed near Phoenix before moving to Tempe to permit his children to attend the Tempe Normal School. He used the property in Section 14 as a dairy farm until 1927, when it was subdivided into acre tracts for sale. White is best known for the large river cobble house he built just across the river from Tempe, called the White House, which was demolished recently. The White House bore many similarities in design and construction to the Dairy Barn.

The Dairy Barn was converted to a commercial establishment after 1930. The building is in an excellent state of preservation and retains its original design features. The building is a rare example of innovative owner-built architecture using locally indigenous material, and is worthy of preservation.

SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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The White Residence - A Process of Preserving the Historical Residences in Tempe, David F. Thomson, 1974, College of Architecture, ASU

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

pt Section 24, T1N, R4E
Tempe Quad
Z-12, E-415620, N-3697460

GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY