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MONTANA HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1 Reference #	Date: Winter 1980	
2 Photo # 20	Direction N NE E SE S SW W NW	CONTACT PHOTO
3 Historic Name: Cottonwood School		
3a Common Name:		
4 Address: Gallatin Gateway, MT		
5 Program Area: Gallatin County	6 County Code 031	State Code 030
7 Legal Description: 200' x 200' lot, S boundary is right-of-way of Cottonwood Rd.		
8 Owner & Address: Gallatin County Superintendent of Schools		
9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private 301 West Main, Bozeman, MT		

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

10 Year Built: 1922 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Factual <input type="checkbox"/> Estimate	11 Location <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Moved
12 Architect (if known):	
13 Builder/Original Owner (if known)	
14 Exterior Materials: <input type="checkbox"/> Stone <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood <input type="checkbox"/> Log <input type="checkbox"/> Terra-cotta <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Other Materials (specify):	
15 Condition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> In Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> No Longer Exists	
16 Retention of Original Design: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	
17 Present Use: school	18 Original Use: school
19 Please describe the present general physical appearance of the structure and site. To the extent possible, please also describe changes that have occurred to the property over the years, noting the approximate dates at which they occurred. The Cottonwood School is a one story, detached, frame building with clap-board siding. Six large windows are located on the north wall. Four transom lights and a projecting basement entry are on the west wall. A gable roofed entry with a central door flanked by two windows projects from the south wall. In 1965, a classroom addition was attached to the east wall. The addition does not substantially detract from the building's integrity or original form.	

SIGNIFICANCE

20a Reason for significance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Associations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architectural and Engineering design and appearance <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of historic or prehistoric information
20b Please justify the historical significance; noting important persons, events and/or historical patterns associated with structure, site and surrounding area. The Cottonwood School was built from plans provided by the State Department of Health and Public Instruction. The plans were originally set for in W.R. Plew's bulletin on school house design, published in 1919. Essentially, the Cottonwood School is a gable ended form with an entry placed off to the side. It is the only extant example of this type of design in Gallatin County.

20c Please justify how the location, design, details, materials, and/or workmanship contribute to the property's significance.

20d Please note if the extant structure/site may demonstrate or yield information about its historic use or construction.

21 Neighborhood Context: Unrelated Compatible Integral element
 Major component of the neighborhood

21a If the structure/site contributes to the value of a larger grouping of structures and sites, please describe the visual or historic relationships that the individual structure/site has to that grouping.

22 Environmental/Economic threats to survival: Private Development Zoning
 Public Works Projects Vandalism Deterioration Other (specify):

23 Recognition in existing historical surveys:

24 Sources of Documentation: Annual Trustees Report 1896-1934

SIGNIFICANCE continued

25 Agency Prepared For:

26 Name/Address Dave Minor and Paul Bishop

Phone # _____ Date: _____

Organization: School of Architecture, MSU, Bozeman, MT

PREPARED BY:

27 Staff Evaluator: _____ Date: _____ Permission to Nominate Yes No

28 National Register Status: Listed Currently nominated
 Appears to meet NR Criteria A B C D Does not appear to meet NR Criteria
 Eligible Yes No As part of a district Yes No Individually Yes No

29 UTM References: Zone 12 Easting 990150 Northing 5053092

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30 Please Return to: State Historic Preservation Office
 Montana Historical Society
 225 N. Roberts St.
 Helena, Montana 59601

31 SHPO Comments: