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United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places

Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and pistures. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Converge each tempoy marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being document of 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.

Name of Property	
historic name Standish Hall	
other names/site number	
2. Location	
street & number 718-820 U.S. Highway 395 East	NA not for publication
city or town Standish	NA ───────────────────────────────────
state <u>California</u> code <u>CA</u> county Lasse	
3. State/Federal Agency Certification	
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standard Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements because the national Register Criteria. I recommend statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional commend statewide for certifying official/Title Date California Office of Historic Preservation	ards for registering properties in the National Register of set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property that this property be considered significant nationally ents.) Aug 3, 2005 Ster criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional
State or Federal agency and bureau	
A. National Park Service Certification hereby certify that this property is: left entered in the National Register	e of the Reper Date of Action 5/765

Standish Hall Name of Property		Lassen County, CA County and State
· · ·		County and 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 include previously listed resources in the count.) Contributing Noncontributing 1 buildings sites structures objects 1 Total
Name of related multiple pro (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a	perty listing multiple property listing.)	Number of contributing resources previously listed the National Register
N/A		0
6. Function or Use		
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)		Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
Social: meeting hall		Work in Progress
Commerce: department s	tore	
7. Description		
Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)		Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
no style		foundation rock
		roof asphalt tile
		walls wood
		other

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

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Name of Property

Lassen County, CA County and 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)	Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions) Commerce
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.	
Property embodies the distinctive characteristics a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses hartistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.	
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield informati important in prehistory or history.	ion
Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)	Significant Dates NA
Property is:	
A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.	
☐ B removed from its original location.	Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
C a birthplace or a grave.	<u>NA</u>
D a cemetery.	Cultural Affiliation
☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	<u>NA</u>
☐ F a commemorative property.	
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significant within the past 50 years.	Architect/Builder unknown
Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation	n sheets.)
Major Bibliographical References	
(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this fo	rm 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 #	 ☐ Other State agency ☐ Federal agency ☐ Local government ☐ University ☐ Other
recorded by Historic American Engineering	Owner; Scott McMillin

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10. Geographica	il Data			
Acreage of Prop	erty75 acre +/-			
UTM References (Place additional UTM	10 718960 4471260 A references on a continuation sheet.)			
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Boundary Justifi (Explain why the bou	cation ndaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)			
11. Form Prepar	red By			
name/title	Carey L. Cannon			
organization	Private	date02	-13-04	
street & number_	P.O. Box 139	telephone	530-254-6997	
city or town	Standish	stateCA	zip code96128	·
Additional Docur				
Submit the following i	items with the completed form:			
Continuation Sho	eets			•
Maps				
A USGS	map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating th	e property's location.		
A Sketch	map for historic districts and properties ha	aving large acreage or n	numerous resources.	
Photographs				
Represen	tative black and white photographs of the	e property.		
Additional items (Check with the SHP	O or FPO for any additional items)			
Property Owner				
(Complete this item a	at the request of SHPO or FPO.)			
name	Scott & Sue McMillin			·
	718-710 U.S. Hwy 395			
city or town	Standish	stateCA	zip code96128	

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Narrative Description

The Standish Hall building is located on the southeast corner of U.S. 395 and County Road A3 Standish – Buntingville Road. The building is located in the center of Standish, CA. and was constructed in 1907. It is typical of the commercial style, two story buildings of that era. There is also a small well house shed, which is not counted because of its small size, located behind the building on the south side of the property. The first floor housed a general merchandise store and the second floor was used as a meeting hall / lodge. There was a square, western type, false front removed in the early 1950's and a canopy covering the front store entrance removed in July of 2002. Both were removed for public safety reasons. With the building's central location and the town's limited retail resources, the Standish Hall literally met most all the community's social, retail and political needs.

The two – story, rectangular shaped structure is approximately 28.5 feet wide by 80 feet long. The rear 8 foot by 27 foot section of the building is an enclosed stairway access to the second floor. There is also a 12-foot by 12-foot addition on the east side of the building that was completed in the early 1950's and was utilized for management office space. Also, in the early 1950's, a small 6 foot by 8 foot wooden structure was added on to the east side of the building which was used to house the refrigeration compression unit. The south side of the building has an exterior door that leads to the old coal room located directly below the second floor staircase. There is also an exterior door entrance to the first floor storage and processing area located about two thirds of the way back on the west side. This original door was replaced in 1999 for security purposes.

The Standish Hall building is situated on a natural rock foundation and is constructed of full-dimensioned lumber. The exterior walls are covered with 1" by 8" horizontal drop or 'V-Rustic' siding. Some of the siding is in poor shape due to neglect and years of weathering. The north elevation consists of single pane, glazed storefront display windows measuring 8 foot wide by 6.5 foot high. These windows are located on each side of the main entrance door. There is a

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recessed door entry in front of the first floor building which was the entry to the grocery and mercantile. This recessed door entry also has windows measuring 3 foot 8 inches wide by 6.5 feet high. The original recessed entry door still remains. The wooden door measures 3 foot 6 inches wide by 7 foot high. Above the door is a 2-foot by 4-foot drop down window that can be used for ventilation. In the late 1950's a windowed door and side panel windows were added to the northern storefront to form a closed-in entryway in front of the recessed door. Over a year ago, November of 2003, the original northern exposure wooden canopy was taken down due to deterioration making hazardous conditions. The original cantilevered porch cover measured 11 feet out from the building and 28.5 feet across the entire front of the building. The canopy structure had a balcony on top of it, which was surrounded by hand rails and had an entrance door to the upstairs hall. The upstairs door leading to the balcony was also closed off and sided over for public safety reasons in the early 1920's. There are relatively few windows in the lower level. There are zero windows on the east and south sides of the building and only three windows on the west side. These windows are 33 ½ inches wide and 68 inches high. The office has two windows on each side and a windowed door entry with an overhand porch cover. The second floor has four doubled windows on the North side giving the appearance of two large windows. These windows also each measure 33 ½ inches by 68 inches high; as well do all the second level windows. There are eight windows on the east side and five windows on the west side. All exterior windows surrounds are made of milled boards with simple moldings. Decorative, hand made, corbels are situated at each exterior gable end on the north, west and south sides of the building. Asphalt composition roofing material has been installed over the original wooded shingles. The original wooded sidewalk on the east side of the building was replaced in the early 1950's with concrete. There are two chimneys located in the building. One is located near the front north east corner and was used with a wood stove to heat the public portion of the grocery store. The second chimney is located about two-thirds of the way back in the center of the building and was used to heat both the downstairs processing area and the entire second floor.

After Mr. & Mrs. Claude Heard purchased the building in the 1930's, they added a small home to the east side of the building in 1934. The residence was a one

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story, 800 square feet and had one bedroom and one bathroom. The Heard's raised their family in this home until the sale of the property to the Winchell's in the 1950's. In 1954 the Winchell's had the home removed and relocated to the parcel east of the building. At this time, they added the office space that still exists there today.

The interior first floor remains in its original typical turn of the century general merchandise store appearance. The front two-thirds of the building was actual public store area and still has the old boxed merchandise shelves extending from floor to ceiling on both the east and west sides. The original railed ladders are still in place allowing store employee's to reach elevated groceries and merchandise. These type of ladders were originally patented by F.E. Meyers Bro.'s out of Ashland, Oregon the in the late 1890's. These particular ladders date back to the early 1900's and are still in using condition. The original tongue and groove Doug Fir flooring still remains throughout the entire first floor. The old meat counter and cooler unit also still remain in the store area. One of the most intriguing antiques left in the left in the store, amongst many others, is the old original weight scale. The ceilings in the first floor are twelve feet high and are made of wood. The back third of the first floor originally housed a raised office area so the Manager could see over the store. A refrigeration unit, a processing area and storage shelves are also located in this area. During the 1950's, when the new office space was added to the west side of the building, the raised office was removed and replaced with a large refrigeration unit. Double doors were also added to the back third of the first floor on the west side during this same period of time, thus allowing easy access for deliveries. Minor plumbing was a welcome addition in the 1950's, which allowed for one downstairs and one upstairs sink.

The rear 8 foot by 27 foot section of the building is an enclosed stairway access to the second floor. The original doors remain at all doorway access areas in the upstairs area. When reaching the top of the staircase, you enter through heavy wooded double doors. These doors are hinged on both sides and in the middle for a single door entrance. The door has a sliding window in it so the clubs could require membership identification before entering if necessary. The attic access

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is located directly above the top of the staircase entrance. You first enter into the kitchen and pantry area located on the west side and the hall entrance and coat area on the east side. The kitchen walls are covered with ornate cloth wallpaper and the ceilings are eleven feet high. This area consists of a 2 ½ foot by 5 foot coat closet, a 7 foot by 11 foot storage area, and 8 ½ foot by 5 ½ foot pantry and a cooking area with a small sink and cabinets as well as a large area for tables. There is also a single doorway from the kitchen side to the meeting hall. The formal hall entrance is on the east side of the building and has the same type double door and middle hinge access as the entrance door. It also has a window in it to see who is entering and again require identification is necessary. The existing electrical system consists of the old "knob and tube" style wiring. The Hall itself has beautiful wooden floors and a 4 inch raised perimeter on the east and west sides extending three feet from the walls allowing for chair seating. The north end of the floor is also raised 4 inches but extends from the wall 8 feet allowing for a stage area. The south side of the hall has both access doors from the kitchen and the coat area and has a small podium area situated in the middle. The northeast corner has an exterior exit door but the staircase has since been removed because of decay causing hazardous conditions. The walls have a wooden wainscoting approximately one third of the way up and the interior window casings are 5 ½ inches and have 5 ½ inches by 5 ½ inch circular carved decorations in each corner. The original lights in the hall consisted of gas chandeliers.

The building remains extremely close to its original integrity and appearance. Any alterations have been declared to the best of our knowledge within this narrative.

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Statement of Significance

The Standish Hall is significant for its long association with the development of civic life and the Mercantile and grocery needs of the township of Standish from 1907 until 1954. The mercantile and the Hall were still in use and operation after 1954, however, the community use of the Hall became less frequent. With the use of motor vehicles, travel to the town of Susanville became more appealing. Standish is located in Northern California and the 240-acre town site was situated around what was then the Susanville-Datura Stage Line and is now known as U.S. 395. The second floor meeting hall was used to lodge many different organizations and social gatherings over the years and the Standish Hall grocery/mercantile, located on the ground floor of the building, was the main local supplier of dry goods, meat and hardware items for over seventy years. The Standish Hall is one of the oldest buildings still remaining in Standish with its original integrity.

Standish, California was named in honor of a brave Puritan Captain, Myles Standish, which was a well-known explorer in the late 1600's and was responsible for many of the written exploits that helped in the development of several colonies. The social history of the Standish Hall dates back to 1907 and was used to lodge organizations such as Lassen Lodge #421 I.O.O.F. (Odd Fellows), Nataqua Parlor #152, Native Daughters of the Golden West, Lassen County Sheriff's Possee and Standish #220 Foresters of America. The Hall was also used for local gathering for dance lessons, 4H meetings, fund raisers and Future Farmers of America (FFA).

On November 24, 1906 the Trustees of Court Standish #220 Foresters of America purchased the site property "for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars, Gold Coin of the United States of America." In the summer of 1907 they hired the Wilbur Brothers to construct a two story wooden building on their property. The first floor was to be used as a commercial rental and the upper story as a hall and / or lodge. The dedication ceremony was held on September 13, 1907. Unfortunately, the cost of the building proved to be too much for the Foresters and they sold it to the newly formed Standish Hall Association on February 29, 1908 for Seven Hundred Five Dollars. Stocks were sold in the

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Standish Hall Association for the sum of five dollars each. In June of 1908 the Standish Hall Association rented the first floor to Charles Edward Emerson. Emerson relocated his General Merchandise Store to this location from across the street at the Reed Hotel. Retail in this area at the time was very limited and the store provided both the local population and people passing through from Washington and Oregon with dry goods, clothing, hardwares, notions, groceries and feed. Mr. Emerson was a successful businessman in the Honey Lake Valley and later went on to be a prominent shareholder in the Standish Hall Association. He owned several ranches in the Honey Lake Valley and was one of the counties largest taxpayers. Mr. Emerson held political positions such as Deputy Coroner, County Assessor and Sheriff. The safe, located in the mercantile store, came from the Buntingville Phone Company several miles up the road and is still there today. Also, still remaining are the original sliding ladders, which span from floor to ceiling to enable the store workers to reach elevated merchandise on high shelves and hangers.

On February 11, 1911 Grand Marshal E.H. Jellsion called the Lodge to order for the first meeting of the I.O.O.F., Odd Fellows, Lassen Lodge #421. The organization of the Native American Daughters of the Golden West, Nataqua Parlor #152 began meeting at the Standish Hall on July 5, 1918 and celebrated their 50th anniversary with a party at the Standish Hall on August 16, 1956. Both the I.O.O.F. and the Native Daughters of the Golden West organizations were extremely influential in the political and civic development of the entire Honey Lake Valley area. The Native Daughters sponsored many fund raisers to support local youth and community organizations and the I.O.O.F. bought and sold war bonds for the local soldiers going to war. It was the same group of I.O.O.F. men that were responsible for the early development of the Standish Irragation System. This system directly benefited the Honey Lake Valley area and brought about major farming accomplishments.

On March 28, 1934 the first floor Mercantile Store lease was granted to Claude H. and Della L. Heard. The terms of the lease agreement included; lease to include lower or ground floor of the Hall, a store building in the Town of Standish, commencing on the first day of April 1934 and ending on the last day of March 1939, at \$25.00 a month for the first year and then at \$32.50 per month for the

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remaining four years. The Heards continued to run the same type of general grocery and mercantile store as was previously there. However, on October 6, 1941 Heards signed a lease agreement with the Union Oil Company of California and thus, Standish had their first and only gas station. Mr. & Mrs. Heard furthered their business adventure by purchasing the Standish Hall on November 3, 1941 from the Standish Hall Association. The second floor hall continued to be the central meeting place for I.O.O.F., Nataqua Parlor and most any other social events in the surrounding areas. The Native Daughters, Nataqua Parlor #152 were responsible for erecting markers at the historical sites of the Janesville Fort, Hayden Hill and Roop's Fort throughout the 1900's. They also assumed the care of the Peter Lassen gravesite, one of Lassen County's first settlers.

The Standish Hall was again sold on March 5, 1946 to Neil K. and Gleena M. Winchell. The Winchell's assumed the mercantile business as well as the Union Oil lease and accompanying equipment. The Winchell's updated the existing grocery business by adding a refrigeration unit and a well was dug in August of 1960. The lease with Union Oil Company was cancelled on February 15, 1952. Neil Winchell passed away in 1981 and Gleena Winchell added her son, David Neil, to the Standish Hall deed on June 7, 1994. Gleena Winchell continued the grocery / mercantile business until November 30, 1990, at which time the business was closed and the building vacated. The last time the Standish Hall was used by the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Nataqua Parlor #152 was December 19, 1984.

On May 5, 1997, Scott D. and Susan L. McMillin purchased the property from Gleena Winchell. The building remains vacant today. However, Mr. & Mrs. McMillin, long time residents and business owners in the community of Standish, hope to be able to some day restore the historical building to an operating status of sorts for the township folks. While gathering information necessary to submit a package to the National Register of Historic Places, the McMillins' ran an ad in the Nataqua News asking for background documentation regarding the building. Not only the people of Standish, but the entire Honey Lake Valley area folks, I.O.O.F. and the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Nataqua Parlor responded by sending original documents, old pictures, personal interviews,

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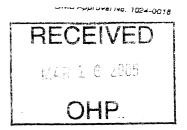
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etc.... Many of the young folks that met at the Standish Hall for FFA, Future Farmers of America, are still current ranchers or farmers in the Honey Lake Valley.

The Standish Hall's first or ground level mercantile area is historically significant based on the criteria of commerce. As previously discussed, Mr. Charles Emerson relocated his general merchandise store from across the street at the Reed Hotel to the Standish Hall in 1908. At this time, Mr. Reed added a grocerv store to his already established merchandise store. The building allowed him the additional space necessary for cold storage and dry storage. The Standish Hall store remained the only grocery in Standish until 1981, when the Wayside Station was developed and provided gas and limited grocery supplies. There were however, other merchandise stores in Standish throughout the years. There was a mercantile and hardware store on wheels for several years in the 1930's. There was also a mercantile and tack store built in the early 1900's that also housed the post office and "The Call Newspaper". That store burnt in the 1960's. The next closest grocery store was in Susanville located about 20 miles away and from there. Reno. Nevada approximately 90 miles away. Although the automobile made it easier for people to travel greater distances, the Standish Hall grocery remained the main hub grocery and mercantile for farmers and ranchers from the near surrounding area's such as Standish, Litchfield, Herlong, Wendel and Amity. The tourism traffic increased with the advancement of the automobile and people coming for their meetings at the Standish Hall would often do their grocery shopping at the same time. The Standish Hall store made it very inviting for the local citizens to conduct business with them as they provided credit accounts and would also order merchandise from other areas if necessary. It would appear that the Standish Hall would be an excellent candidate for the National Historical Registry under the category of Criterion A, properties of local significance.

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Lassen County Assessor Rolls, Assessor's Map Book 119, p. 24

NST Engineering, Lassen County, Susanville, CA., Letter of Field Inspection & Recommendations, dated 7-24-1997, endorsed Jeffery Morrish. RCE 36929

Kelly's Appraisal Service, Westwood, CA, Tax I.D.#68-0343897, Appraisal Reference #381-99, date 1/14/00, property address - 718-820 Highway 395 East

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Native Daughters Of The Golden West, Nataqua Parlor, Susanville, CA - no date - phone #530-257-7801, signed Adelaide Garoppo, Recording Secretary

Native Daughters of the Golden West, nataqua Parlor #152, by Norma Stampfli, dated August 30, 1998

Lahontan Images, 210 S. Pine St., Susanville, CA, Tim Purdy, Historian, Letter of Knowledge, date December 14, 1995

The Lassen Advocate, Date July 9, 1965, P. 36, Article by; Elberta Fraley

The Standish Colony, "In The Highlands of California", From the Exploits of Myles Standish, Copyright 1897, by D. Appleton & Co.

Personal Inerview: Date-March 8, 1998, Interviewee-Gleena Winchell, Previous owner & Merchantile Proprietor, Interviewer-Scott McMillen, current property owner-notes housed at McMillen residence

1.O.O.F. Lodge No. 421 Minutes Book. Dated July 8, 1911 thru June 24, 1916

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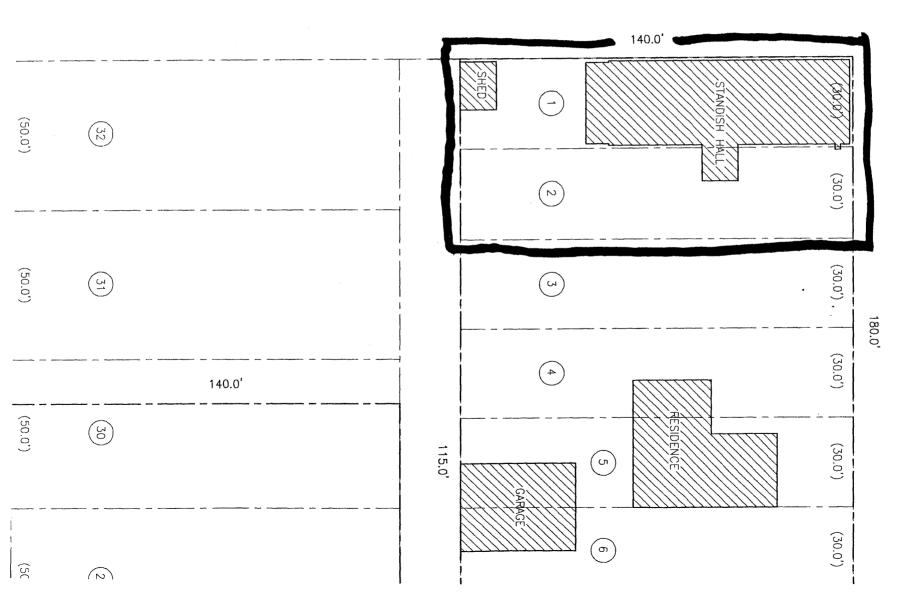
Verbal Boundary Description

Lot #1 and Lot #2 in Block #18, of the Town of Standish as laid down on the official plat of said town now on file in the office of the County Recorder of said County of Lassen.

Boundary Justification

The boundaries of the nominated property are the same as they were originally, which are those of the current parcel within the town of Standish, County of Lassen (parcel map attached).

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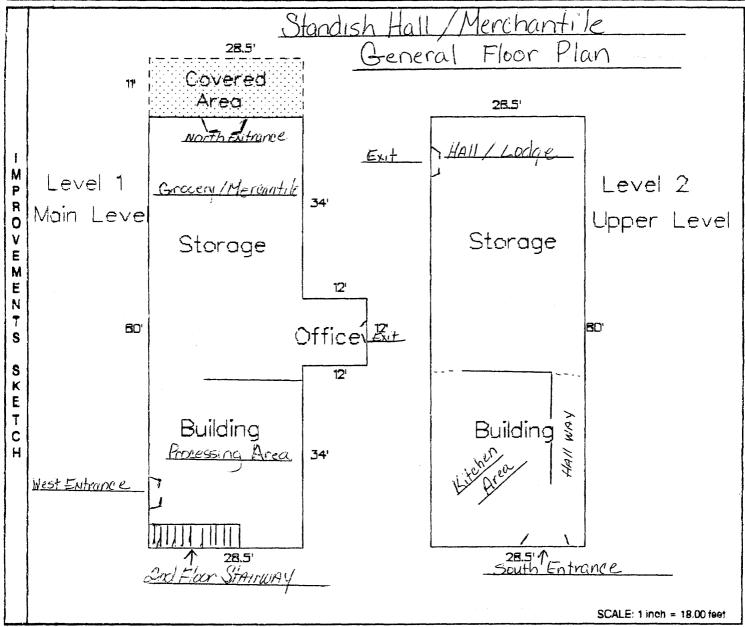


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SKETCH/AREA TABLE ADDENDUM

File No: 381-99

S	Barrower/Client n/a			
8	Property Address			
1	718-820 Highway	395 East		
E	City	County	State	Zip Code
C	Standish	Lassen	CA	96128
7	Lender			
Ľ	Scott McMillin			



AR	EA CALCULATION	NS SUMM	1ARY	LIVING AREA CAL	CULATIONS
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OTa	Storage Building	2424.00	■ \$3.33		ì
	Storage Building	2280.00	4704.00		

