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**National Register of Historic Places
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Baker Wood-frame Elevator.

Location: ~~Section Line Road~~ ^{CR} 2847, Baker, Oklahoma, Texas County.

Owner of Property: Velma Gant, 624 S. Warren St., Liberal, Kansas.

Location of Legal Description: Texas County Courthouse, 319 N. Main St., Guymon, Oklahoma.

Description: Condition-deteriorated; unaltered; original site;

The Baker Kimber Milling Company Elevator is located in an open field on the old Beaver, Mead & Englewood line just north of Baker. The structure is wooden frame with metal siding and a stepped gable roof. The doors to the unloading area are missing on the southern elevation. The southern elevation of the loft has a single window as does the east and north elevations. The western elevation of the loft has a loading bay. The west elevation has a single door ground entry, while the north elevation has a double door supply shed entry and a double door entry to the unloading area. The entire structure below the stepped roof has horizontal support beams 3 to 4 feet apart.

Significance: 1926. Builder/Architect - Unknown.

The Baker Kimber Milling Company Elevator is significant because it served in a vital capacity in the local agriculture, commerce, and economy. Built for the Kimber Company in 1926, the grain elevator served the customers of the Beaver, Mead & Englewood Railroad, which reached Baker the same year. The Panhandle Townsite Company platted the town in 1926 just south of the intersection of the Beaver, Mead & Englewood Railroad and the Rock Island Railroad to Amarillo, Texas. Elevators sprang up on both lines and by 1928 the town shipped out 800 carloads of wheat. The Rock Island wheat went to Kansas City, while the Beaver, Mead & Englewood grain dealers shipped to the Gulf states. The Beaver, Mead & Englewood depot operated until 1953 and the Kimber Milling Company Elevator continued until 1973, when the Beaver, Mead & Englewood finally shut down rail service. During this period the Kimber Milling Company elevator served the farmers, grain dealers, and general economics of the area.

Acreage: Under one acre. Quadrangle name: Adams. 1:24000.

Verbal Boundary Description: T5N, R19E, Sec. 28, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$. Starting at a point 39' east of the southeast corner of section line road 2847 (8 miles south of Highway 54); proceed east 150'; turn south and proceed 200'; turn west and proceed 150'; turn north and proceed 200' to the point of beginning.

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