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Hough Wood-frame Elevator - (Hough Elevator).

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Location: Highway 95, Hough Oklahoma, Texas County.

Owner of Property: Harry A. Thrall, et ux., Rt. 1 Box 11, Guymon, Oklahoma.

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

Description: Condition-fair; altered; original site;

The Hough elevator is constructed of wood and is covered with corrugated metal siding. It has a stepped gable roof with a lean-to roof on its rear (northern) elevation. The loft has single windows on its east and west sides, while the north has no window and the southern face has a loading bay. The sides of the structure are supported by thick horizontal support timbers. The western elevation has a gabled entry way with a flat roofed cement blocking building added to it. The elevation also has two swinging double doors leading into the unloading area. The eastern elevation has double swinging doors leading into the opposite end of the unloading area. The north side of the elevator has three storage bins standing adjacent, and attached by pipes for moving grain. The Beaver, Mead & Englewood Railroad used to pass just to the south of this elevator, which now stands in an empty field.

Significance: 1929; Builder/Architect - Riffe & Gilmore Co.

The Hough grain elevator is significant because it played such a vital role in the agriculture, commerce, and life of the local community. As the center of community activity in a agricultural area such as Hough, the grain elevators served a variety of functions which expedited the movement and sale of wheat. The Hough elevator served the locality from 1929, when it was built by Riffe and Gilmore Co., until the late 1970s when the train stopped moving. It has occassionally been used for storage purposes since, but its value in marketing grain has ceased. The value of the elevator, however, is in the era of Hough economic growth that it represents.

Acreage: Less than one acre. Quadrangle name: Hough. 1:24000.

Verbal Boundary Description: T5N, R14E, Sec. 29 (SW4 of SW4 of NW4 of Sec. 29). Starting at a point 195' north and 155' west of the intersection of Highway 95 and the Beaver, Mead & Englewood Railroad bed; proceed south 100'; east 120'; north 100'; west 120' to the point of beginning.

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