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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

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1. NAME

COMMON: ~~Minnesota Valley Restoration Project/ Memorial Park~~

AND/OR HISTORIC: X Shakopee Historic District

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Memorial Park

CITY OR TOWN: Shakopee

STATE: Minnesota — CODE: 22 — COUNTY: SCott — CODE: 139

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
[X] District [ ] Building [ ] Site [ ] Structure [ ] Object	[ ] Public [X] Private [X] Both	Public Acquisition: [ ] In Process [ ] Being Considered	[ ] Occupied [ ] Unoccupied [X] Preservation work in progress	Yes: [X] Restricted [ ] Unrestricted [ ] No

PRESENT USE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

[ ] Agricultural [ ] Government [ ] Park [ ] Transportation [ ] Comments
[ ] Commercial [ ] Industrial [ ] Private Residence [X] Other *(Specify)* under historic development
[ ] Educational [ ] Military [ ] Religious
[ ] Entertainment [ ] Museum [ ] Scientific

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Scott County Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER: c/o Firgst National Bank of Shakopee

CITY OR TOWN: Shakopee — STATE: Minnesota — CODE: 22

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Registrar of Deeds, County Courthouse/City Hall

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Shakopee — STATE: Minnesota — CODE: 22

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Minnesota Register of Historic Sites

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 [ ] Federal [X] State [ ] County [ ] Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Minnesota Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER: 690 Cedar Street

CITY OR TOWN: St. Paul — STATE: Minnesota — CODE: 22

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	☒ Excellent	☒ Good	☒ Fair	☐ Deteriorated	☒ Ruins	☐ Unexposed
	(Check One)		(Check One)			
	☒ Altered	☒ Unaltered	☒ Moved	☒ Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL *(if known)* PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Shakopee Historic District, owned by the city of Shakopee, the Scott County Historical Society, and the Department of Highways of the State of Minnesota, is in Scott County and the city of Shakopee, and consists of the following portion of section 5, township 115 north, range 22 west: Beginning at a point in the center line of the West bound lane of T.H. No. 101, distant 1671.07 feet (as measured along center line of saie lane) east of the west line of section 5; thence north at right angles a distance of 202 feet;thence deflecting to the west at an angle of 87° 48' a distance of 67.75 feet;thence deflecting to the north at an angle of 23° 38' a distance of 403.1 feet;thence north a distance of 130 feet more or less to a point 30 feet north of the north bank of Mill Creek; thence easterly and parallel to said north bank to the Minnesota River; thence downstream or easterly along the southerly bank of the Minnesota River to the east line of section 5; thence south to highway #101 right of way; thence westerly following north boundary of right of way to its intersection with the line running north from the point of origin.

The area of the restoration project occupies approximately 76 acres, comprised of largely wild, natural land. The land lies flat to gently rolling over most of its area. The portion bordering the river drops to a swamp area on the northern edge before it reaches the river. A small portion of the eastern edge of the area has been used as a city dump.

The eastern area contains several unopened Indian mounds estimated to be 1500 to 2000 years old. The area also includes an Indian campground,cornfield and battle area.

On the western edge of the area is the site of the first grist mill of the area built by the Pond family. The mill is in need of repair and in process of restoration.

The northern edges of the area contain the site of the Murphy House, an early inn and ferry on the Minnesota River. The property is now in ruins from a fire. The site is basically undisturbed around the house.

The Faribault House, the first fur trader's cabin, has been moved to the district from its old site across the highway. The house was covered with new material inside and out. These coverings are now removed and the building is in the process of restoration.

Also the Burger Farm complex of 6 buildings will be moved to the area to occupy a site similar to the original.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- [x] Pre-Columbian
- [ ] 15th Century
- [ ] 16th Century
- [ ] 17th Century
- [ ] 18th Century
- [x] 19th Century
- [ ] 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)*

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- [ ] Aboriginal
- [ ] Prehistoric
- [x] Historic
- [ ] Agriculture
- [x] Architecture
- [ ] Art
- [ ] Commerce
- [ ] Communications
- [x] Conservation
- [x] Education
- [ ] Engineering
- [ ] Industry
- [ ] Invention
- [ ] Landscape Architecture
- [ ] Literature
- [ ] Military
- [ ] Music
- [ ] Political
- [ ] Religion/Philosophy
- [ ] Science
- [ ] Sculpture
- [ ] Social/Humanitarian
- [ ] Theater
- [x] Transportation
- [ ] Urban Planning
- [ ] Other *(Specify)*

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A large concentration of prehistoric Indian mounds is located in the Shakopee Historical District. These mounds were built between 300 B.C. and 1700 A.D.

Santee Dakota of the woodland Sioux resided in this area at least as early as the late 1600's. Historical records reveal that members of the Shakopee band had lived along the Minnesota River Prior to 1800. They were found at this location in 1823 by an exploring expedition under Colonel Stephen H. Long. By 1839, warfare with the hostile Chippewa tribe had forced them to move to the site of Shakopee. Here they erected a bark lodge village planted their corn fields and lived in the old, traditional manner. A chronic shortage of game and periodic crop failure forced them to gradually become more dependent upon governmental aid.

An Indian farmer was sent to the village in 1839 to teach these people more modern agricultural methods. His successor served there for many years. In 1846 Samuel W. Pond, a protestant missionary, moved there and served them for some years.

This well-known village survived at this location into the late 1850's. In 1858 a large party of Chippewa attacked them. This became known as the "Battle of Shakopee." Much historical information is available concerning the Dakota of the Shakopee and their life in this location. From about 1800 onward visitors to the Minnesota River Valley met the successive chiefs named Shakopee and left a record of their visits. Thus there is plenty of information at hand to interpret their life at this historic location and its gradual transformation.

The Faribault House is historically and architecturally significant as the first house constructed at Shakopee. It was the home of Oliver Faribault who came in 1844. He was the first settler on the land that is now Shakopee and his house was the first built in Scott county. It was constructed of tamarack logs and later covered with siding.

This fur trader's cabin was used as a meeting house between the Sioux and S.W. Pond, the first missionary to the area, before he constructed a home and established the first mission a few rods from the site of this cabin. The structure possesses an integrity of design and workmanship and predates other structures in the area. It is culturally significant as it will help portray the setting of the early Indian/white culture as no other structure could.

The architectural style of the ~~Burger~~ Berger Farm buildings is typical of the area's early German immigrant architecture. Four buildings survive of those built by the Burger family. Two small out buildings were destroyed prior to our

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Two Volunteer Missionaries Among the Dakotas, S.W. Pond Jr., Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society, 1893.

A Sketch of Shakopee, Minnesota, William Hind, Editor-publisher, 1891.

History of Minnesota Valley, Rev. Edward D. Neill.

Minnesota and Dakota Gazetteer and Business Directory, 1880-84. Page 665.

St. Paul Pioneer Press, August 1, 1926.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES	
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds
NW	44° 48' 36"	93° 30' 18"		° ' "	° ' "
NE	44° 48' 36"	93° 28' 50.4"			
SE	44° 48' 18"	93° 28' 50.4"			
SW	44° 48' 18"	93° 30' 18"			

NO UTM CD

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 76 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
		Scott	139
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
		Hennepin	053
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: John Grossman

ORGANIZATION: Minnesota Historical Society

DATE: March 10, 1970

STREET AND NUMBER: Fort Snelling Branch, Building 25, Fort Snelling

CITY OR TOWN: St. Paul

STATE: Minnesota

CODE: 22

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name Russell W. Fridley

Title Director, Minn. Historical Society

Date 4-15-70

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert G. Utley

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 4/11/72

ATTEST:

William J. Murtagh

Keeper of The National Register

Date APR 11 1972

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acquisition of the remaining four. In reconstructing the farm setting, two small out buildings of the same design will be placed in the same location to recreate the total farm scene.

The buildings of the farm complex used large timbers, squared and notched at the ends. There are but a few remaining structures illustrating the architecture of this group of immigrants. Those that do remain are mostly isolated buildings in very bad repair. A full history of the Burger family can be traced from the present Burger family living on the site to the original immigrant builder and thus present a full picture of this phase of the development of the area.

The Pond Grist Mill is historically and architecturally significant as a major grist and flour mill of the area. It was built in the summer of 1875 by E.J. and S.W. Pond. sons of Samuel Pond, the original missionary of the area. The architecture of the mill is typical of the small mills which covered the area at the time. These small structures are rapidly disappearing to the point that we shall soon have no representative structures of this important industry. The inclusion of this mill in the total restoration project is essential to depict the cultural atmosphere of the time. It represents a segment of our history of short duration between meager hand labor and the advanced mechanized handling of materials found in the early 1900's.

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8. Significance.

Both the Oliver Faribault house and the ~~Burger~~ Berger Farm Complex have been moved to the Shakopee Historic District from their original locations. Great care has been taken to preserve the integrity of the buildings in both instances. The Shakopee Historic District will preserve and appropriate atmosphere for these and other structures of the same period. The preservation of these structures would be in serious doubt if they were not moved to property reserved specifically for the interpretation of our heritage.

Monies have been recieved through the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the restoration project at the Shakopee Historic District.

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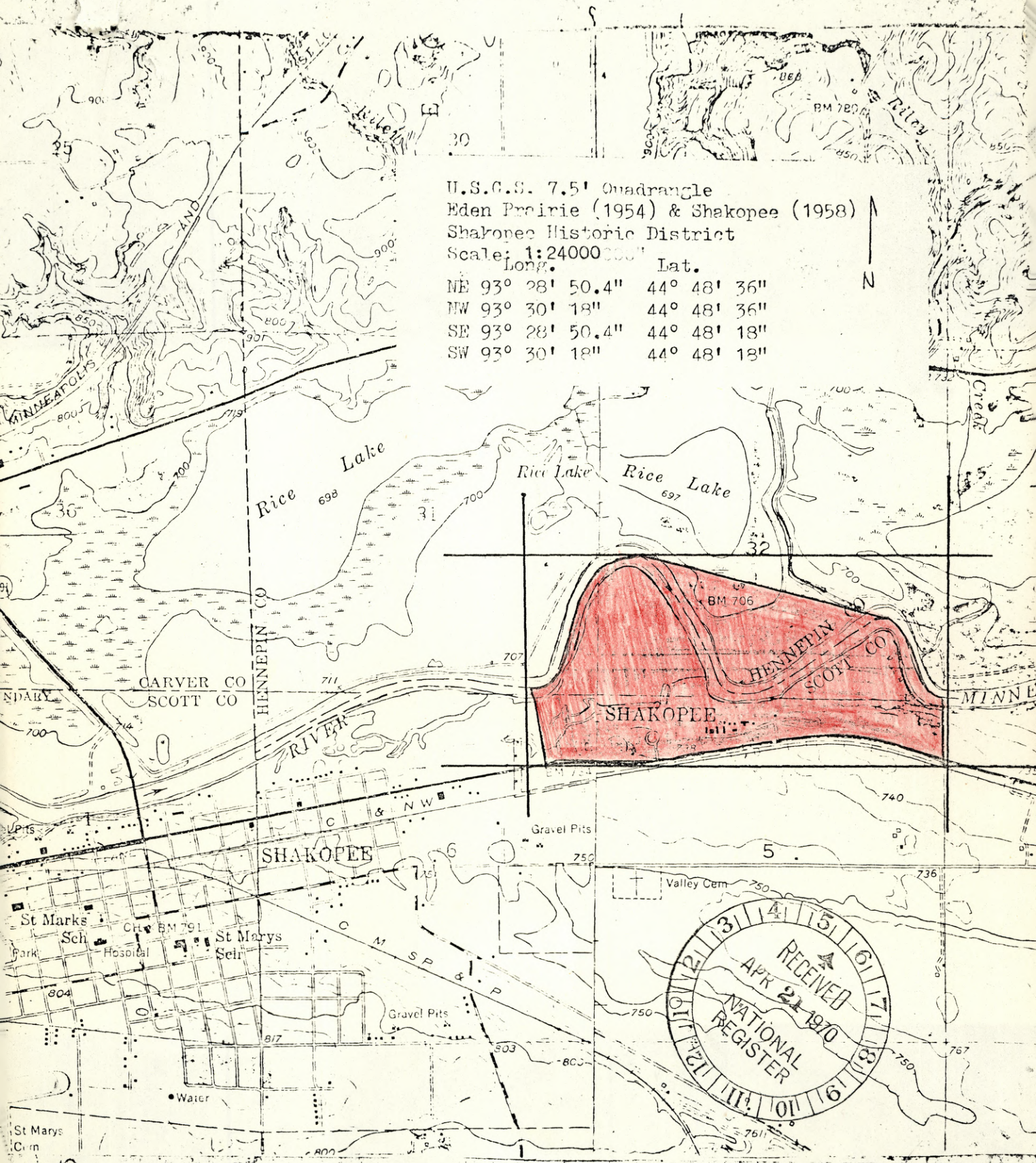
U.S.G.S. 7.5' Quadrangle
Eden Prairie (1954) & Shakopee (1958)
Shakopee Historic District
Scale: 1:24000
Long. Lat.
NE 93° 28' 50.4" 44° 48' 36"
NW 93° 30' 18" 44° 48' 36"
SE 93° 28' 50.4" 44° 48' 18"
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SHAKOPEE
RIVER
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SHAKOPEE
Gravel Pits
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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE: U.S.G.S. 7.5 Quadrangle Shakopee

SCALE: 1:24000

DATE: 1958

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property broundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

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Note: These changes apply to Shakopee Historic District in Scott County, Minnesota.

REFERENCE NUMBER: 72000682

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Scott

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC):

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS: Mn. Hwy. 101

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988
Date