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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" in the box applicable. For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

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1. Name of Property

Historic Name: Houma Historic District Boundary Increase I, Boundary Decrease I
Other Names/Site Number: N/A
Name of related multiple property listing: N/A

2. Location

Street & Number: See below.
City or town: Houma State: LA County: Terrebonne
Not for Publication: Vicinity:

Boundary Increase Addresses: 7717 W. Main, 7719 W. Main, 7725 W. Main, 7801-09 W. Main, 7815-17 W. Main, 7819 W. Main, 407 Rousell, 425 Rousell, 507 Rousell

Boundary Decrease Addresses: 7910 West Park Ave., 7932 West Park Ave., 7936 West Park Ave., 7942 West Park Ave.

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets, meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria.

I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:
 national state local

Applicable National Register Criteria: A B C D

 8/14/15
Signature of certifying official/Title: Phil Boggan, State Historic Preservation Officer Date
Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.
Signature of commenting official: Date
Title: State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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4. National Park Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other, explain: ~~Accept Additional Documentation~~ *Accept Additional Documentation*

[Handwritten Signature]

10-6-2015

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Private
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public – Local
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public – State
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public – Federal

Category of Property (Check only **one** box.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Building(s)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	District
<input type="checkbox"/>	Site
<input type="checkbox"/>	Structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Non-contributing	
7	5	Buildings
		Sites
		Structures
		Objects
7	5	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0
(4 buildings in the decrease area were built after previously contributing buildings, from 1983, were demolished post the original district listing)

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions.): Commerce/Trade: business, specialty store; Domestic: single dwelling

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Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions.): Commerce/Trade: business, specialty store, professional; Domestic: single dwelling; Vacant: Not in Use

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions.): Late Victorian: Queen Anne Revival; Late 19th and Early 20th Century Revivals: Classical Revival; No style

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

foundation:

walls: brick, stucco, weatherboards

roof:

other:

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

This is a proposal to add eight buildings to the Houma Historic District, listed on the National Register in 1983, with a period of significance ending in 1933. It is predicated on additional documentation to the district updating the period of significance to 1965 (the present 50 year cutoff). The existing National Register district includes commercial, institutional, and residential buildings as contributing buildings. Seven of the buildings in the two proposed areas of boundary increase (labeled Boundary Increase A and Boundary Increase B) were historically in commercial use; one was residential. Inventory numbers pick up from those used in the additional documentation submission.

Narrative Description

Boundary Increase A – West Main Street (formerly E. Main):

All of the six buildings below were historically in commercial use. They contribute to the new area of significance proposed in the above referenced additional documentation request – specifically, downtown Houma as the center of commerce for the large and geographically isolated parish (county) of Terrebonne.

(107) 7717 West Main. Contributing building. 1950s. Small one story brick professional office building with fixed awning and simple storefront system with central opening flanked by large plate glass windows.

(108) 7719 West Main. Contributing building. Circa 1945 (first appears on 1947 Sanborn map). This wide one story brick building with an exaggerated stepped parapet and deeply recessed area at shopfront level is labeled a garage (10 car capacity) on the 1947 Sanborn map. Identified as Lynch's

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Garage in 1960 city directory. Recessed storefront does feature 10 centrally located 3 lite transoms over the center entrance area.

(109) 7725 West Main. Non-contributing building. Severely altered one story brick commercial building. Paired domestic-looking multi-pane windows have been inserted at the shop front level and exposed side elevation (formerly a party wall) has received 2 inappropriate gabled entrance porches. Because upper façade is quite plain, these alterations are visually dominant and have rendered the building non-contributing.

(110) 7801-7809 W. Main. Contributing building. 1935. Bourgeois Building. This quite wide one story brick commercial building bears its name and date in a panel near the parapet. Originally it provided for at least three stores. Upper façade has recently been uncovered (beneath metal panels) to expose the original brickwork (laid in different patterns), about two-thirds of which had been painted. Shop front to far left, while replaced, retains a configuration appropriate for a 1935 building; while others do not. One of the changes (the painted brick) is cosmetic in nature. Because building retains many of its original details (upper façade with brickwork laid in different patterns, date and name panel, and brick piers dividing the shop fronts), it is being counted as contributing.

(111) 7815-17 West Main. Contributing building. Circa 1930. One story brick party wall commercial building with a stepped parapet; original transom windows; fixed awning; and historic shop front configuration. Shop front windows replaced and doors replaced.

(112) 7819 West Main. Contributing building. Circa 1950. One story plain narrow brick party wall building. This building's footprint coincides with a portion of a building lost sometime after the 1947 Sanborn map.

Boundary Increase B – Roussel Street

One of the buildings below was historically a residence. The other was in commercial use (relating to the additional documentation request noted above. The residence is being included because it is in the same block as the former telephone building and to cut around it would further complicate the boundaries of this district.

(113) 407 Roussel St. Contributing building. Circa 1900 (not on 1898 Sanborn map; first appears on 1907 map). Large two story Queen Anne Revival house with cross gable massing; a projecting polygonal bay at the front with Eastlake ornamentation at the eaves and a fish scale shingled gable with Eastlake ornamentation in its peak; an Eastlake balcony; and a Colonial Revival wraparound porch. Windows at the porch are floor-length, four-over-four. Windows elsewhere are mainly two-over-two.

(114) 425 Roussel St. Southern Telephone and Telegraph Building. Circa 1940 (built sometime between the 1931 and 1947 Sanborn maps). Contributing building. Three story brick building with a large footprint that might be described as stripped-down Classical in style. Main façade features decorative cast concrete panels at the third story (no windows); six-over-nine windows at the second floor with cast concrete cornices resting on brackets; and at the ground level, a central entrance flanked by six-over-nine windows with pronounced cast concrete surrounds. A similar window treatment is found on the long Verret Street elevation, with the pattern interrupted by a window-less shaft containing presumably a staircase. Other details include a cast concrete base; thin cast

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concrete bands setting off the second story windows; and a wider cast concrete band marking the top of the first story.

Boundary Decrease –

This block-face on the north side of the bayou has been completely redeveloped since the district was listed in 1983. None of the descriptions in the 1983 inventory match with buildings presently there. It is assumed they are all post-1983 new construction. Present addresses are used. East Park Avenue is now West Park Avenue.

- 1) 7910 West Park Ave. Non-contributing building. Wood frame Indian Ridge Canning facility in this location at time of district listing was destroyed by fire. Present building on site (a wildlife museum) is a large one and two story wood frame traditional looking building.
- 2) 7932 West Park Ave. Non-contributing building. Wood frame galleried cottage built within last 32 years.
- 3) 7936 West Park Ave. Non-contributing building. Wood frame and concrete block building with roof ridge perpendicular to street.
- 4) 7942 West Park Ave. Non-contributing building. Traditional looking, one-and-a-half story, wood frame, gable end professional office building built within the last 32 years.

The vacant lot that sits to the east of Inventory #15 has also been removed from the original district boundaries as seen on the submitted map. This now ends the district about a half block west from Barrow Street.

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.)

x	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.
	C	Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
	D	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history

Criteria Considerations:

	A	Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
	B	Removed from its original location
	C	A birthplace or grave
	D	A cemetery
	E	A reconstructed building, object, or structure

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F	A commemorative property
G	Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.): Commerce

Period of Significance: 1910-1965

Significant Dates: N/A

Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above): N/A

Cultural Affiliation (only if criterion D is marked above): N/A

Architect/Builder (last name, first name): unknown

Period of Significance (justification): N/A

Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary): N/A

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

Preface:

The commercial buildings in the proposed increase contribute to the area of significance documented (see below) in the additional documentation for the district.

Summary Paragraph:

The Houma Historic District was listed on the National Register in 1983 based on local significance in the area of commerce – specifically because it represented the prosperity brought by the seafood industry in the early twentieth century. The period of significance was c.1910 to 1933.

This additional documentation proposal will add another case under Criterion A (commerce) for downtown Houma as the center of commerce for Terrebonne Parish (for goods and services). The end of downtown Houma’s commercial preeminence corresponds roughly to the present fifty year cutoff of 1965; so that date will be used as the ending date of the period of significance under commerce.

Until supplanted by strip centers and later malls, downtown Houma was the place to shop for goods and services for the large parish of Terrebonne. It was and is the only town of any size in a geographically isolated and decidedly rural parish.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

Houma Historical Background Summary:

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Houma is the seat of government for Terrebonne Parish, one of Louisiana's southernmost parishes fronting onto the Gulf of Mexico. Roughly 40% of the parish's 2,080 square miles is watery. During the historic period for this nomination, Houma was the only incorporated community in Terrebonne – the only town of any size. For perspective, the entire population of Terrebonne in 1940 was 35,880, with 9,052 of those people residing in Houma.

Terrebonne ("good earth" in French) was established as a parish in 1822. The town of Houma (named for the Houma Indians) was established to be the parish seat in 1834. In that year Richard H. Grinage and Hubert M. Belanger donated one arpent of frontage on Bayou Terrebonne for the new governmental seat. In the nineteenth and early twentieth century, agriculture (sugarcane) and the seafood industry dominated the local economy.

A seismic shift in the economy occurred in 1929, when oil was first discovered in the parish. The Texas Company (Texaco) brought in wells at Lake Pelto and Lake Barre in that year. The major field of Caillou Island started producing in 1930. Subsequent fields were Four Isle Bay (1934), Gibson (1937), Bourg (1952), Mosquito Island (1955), and East Caillou Island (1956). By 1965, there were some three dozen oil and gas fields in the parish (inshore) as well as 17 offshore wells in production. There were numerous major oil companies operating in Terrebonne (Texaco the largest), as well as various smaller concerns. (Oil prosperity continued unabated until a slump in the 1980s.)

With all of this activity, the City of Houma emerged as the parish's oil service center – the epicenter of oil related services. Like Shreveport in northwest Louisiana, Houma was able to ride out the worst of the Depression so-to-speak because of booming oil prosperity. Various indices illustrate growth in the city in the 1930s. Population surged from 6,531 (1930 census) to 9,052 (1940), an increase of 38.6%. Post office receipts were up 72%; telephone installations, 137%; and bank deposits, 180%.

Downtown Houma as Center of Commerce

During the historic period, downtown Houma was the only center of commerce in Terrebonne – the only central business district. Proprietors and shopkeepers dispensed a wide variety of goods and services from buildings within the district. Coming to downtown Houma must have been quite an occasion to the families of this geographically isolated and decidedly rural area. Into the 1950s, across rural America, "going to town" was a much anticipated, sometimes day-long event. And, of course, going to town meant downtown. An ode to Baton Rouge's main shopping street written in 1954 is worth quoting, for it equally could apply to Houma's Main Street: "Up and down this old street you can 'window-shop' to your heart's desire So up and down this old street you can spend your hard-earned money both quickly and easily, because there is really something there for you to spend it for."

Extant contributing buildings in the district represent a good cross section of commerce in downtown Houma, per city directories and other sources. Palais Royale Ladies Clothing and Men's Shop (#10); Rybiski's (#21); and 7873 West Main (#9, Houma Haberdashery) housed men's and women's clothing stores. The ubiquitous drugstore is represented by Haydel's Drugstore (300-304 Church St., #77) and People's Drugstore (7869 West Main, #8). The circa 1900 Blahut Building (#16) housed a general mercantile in its early days; by 1960, Morgan and Lindsey Department Store was located there. Specialty stores include: a music store at 7821 W. Main (#1); a furniture store, photo shop and jewelry store in the various shopfronts at #27; a furniture store in 300-302 Lafayette (#88); and a Singer sewing machine store at 7913 W. Main (#14).

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Services dispensed from extant contributing buildings include beauty shops and barber shops (building #s 8 and 20); photography studio (building # 16); banking (#s 2, 3, 18); restaurants (the longtime Bob's Café in #20 and lunch counters in the drugstores); Thatcher Hotel, the largest hotel in town (#75); and auto-related (a garage at #13, a service station at #52, a garage and auto sales at #79). Also, there were various professional offices (dentists, attorneys, real estate agents) in the upper stories of historic buildings in the district.

At least four of the buildings added to the district in the 1950s and early '60s were purpose built for professional offices. All are free-standing (as is typical of post-war professional offices in downtowns) and some provided for adjacent parking (rather than street parking). The largest is the three-story early 1960s Ledet Building (#76), prominently located across from the courthouse. The 1964 city directory shows it housing insurance agents (among them C. A. Ledet), lawyers, realtors, and Humble Oil and Refining. The two small professional office buildings at 206 School (#44) and 635 School (#38) housed insurance agencies in the 1964 city directory. Finally, the mid-century modern Wurzlow Building at 413-415 Goode (#72) housed the offices of Kermit Wurzlow, a mineral lease broker.

Downtown Houma's last great decade as the mecca for goods and services within Terrebonne Parish was the 1950s (as is typical across America). The 1960s was a decade of transition, with downtown still a major player, but with competition from strip shopping centers. As late as 1964 (per city directory), downtown Houma was holding its own so-to-speak. The directory for that year shows the Thatcher Hotel still in business and very little vacancy in downtown commercial buildings. The arrival of enclosed shopping malls in the 1970s in or near small towns across Louisiana leveled the final blow to downtowns such as Houma.

Developmental History/Additional historic context information

See above.

9. Major Bibliographical Resources

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Sanborn Fire Insurance Co. maps, Houma, 1898, 1907, 1924, 1931, 1947.

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 # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

State Historic Preservation Office

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- Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): N/A

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: less than an acre

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

Boundary Increase A:

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Latitude: 29.597230 | Longitude: -90.724736 |
| 2. Latitude: 29.597414 | Longitude: -90.723475 |
| 3. Latitude: 29.597058 | Longitude: -90.723440 |
| 4. Latitude: 29.596913 | Longitude: -90.724770 |

Boundary Increase B:

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Latitude: 29.593030 | Longitude: -90.721033 |
| 2. Latitude: 29.595952 | Longitude: -90.720419 |
| 3. Latitude: 29.595130 | Longitude: -90.720544 |
| 4. Latitude: 29.595208 | Longitude: -90.721165 |

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The two areas of proposed boundary increases are delineated by a solid black line on the attached district map.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

Boundary Increase A: These commercial buildings fall within the updated period of significance and additional documentation currently being reviewed by NPS.

Boundary Increase B: The one commercial building falls within the updated period of significance and additional documentation currently being reviewed by NPS. The two residences were included because they are adjacent to the many residences included in the existing listing as contributing.

Boundary Decrease: The four buildings in this area fall outside of the updated period of significance. The vacant lot in this boundary decrease area was vacant when the district was originally listed and should have been left out then. Removing this lot helps to tighten the boundaries around the historic buildings that remain.

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization: Fricker Historic Preservation Services LLC
street & number: 998 Stanford Ave, #203
city or town: Baton Rouge state: LA zip code: 70808
e-mail: frickerdonna@gmail.com
telephone: 225-246-7901
date: February 2015

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 3000x2000 at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Houma Historic District Boundary Increase I
City or Vicinity: Houma, LA
County: Terrebonne Parish
State: LA
Name of Photographer: Donna Fricker
Date of Photographs: February 2015

Photo 1 (labeled 26 on map)
Camera facing east/northeast
11/14/14

Photo 2 (labeled 27 on map)
Camera facing north
2/11/15

Photo 3 (labeled 28 on map)
Camera facing east/northeast
11/14/14

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Photo 4 (labeled 29 on map)
Camera facing east/northeast
11/14/14

Photo 5 (labeled 30 on map)
Camera facing northwest
2/11/15

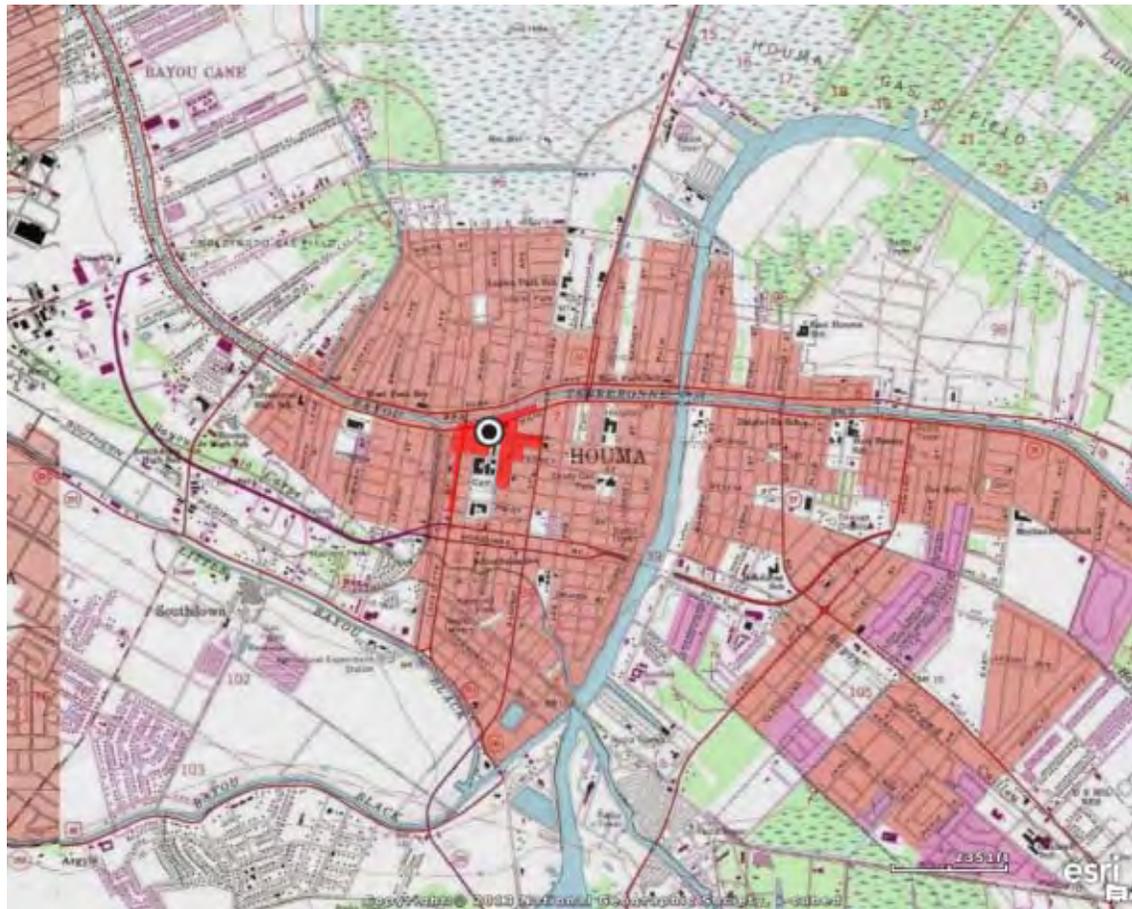
Photo 31 (labeled F on map)
Camera facing southeast
11/14/14

Photo 7 (labeled 32 on map)
Camera facing northeast
11/14/14

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

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Latitude: 29.596767 Longitude: -90.722664

Final Lat/Long for Houma Historic District (Boundary Increase I, Boundary Decrease I) 2015



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D - 29.579983	-90.719576	M - 29.592270	-90.725322
E - 29.596476	-90.719279	N - 29.593336	-90.725477
F - 29.595870	-90.719330	O - 29.593538	-90.725455
G - 29.595156	-90.720499	P - 29.595671	-90.725106
H - 29.593622	-90.721432	Q - 29.596887	-90.724908
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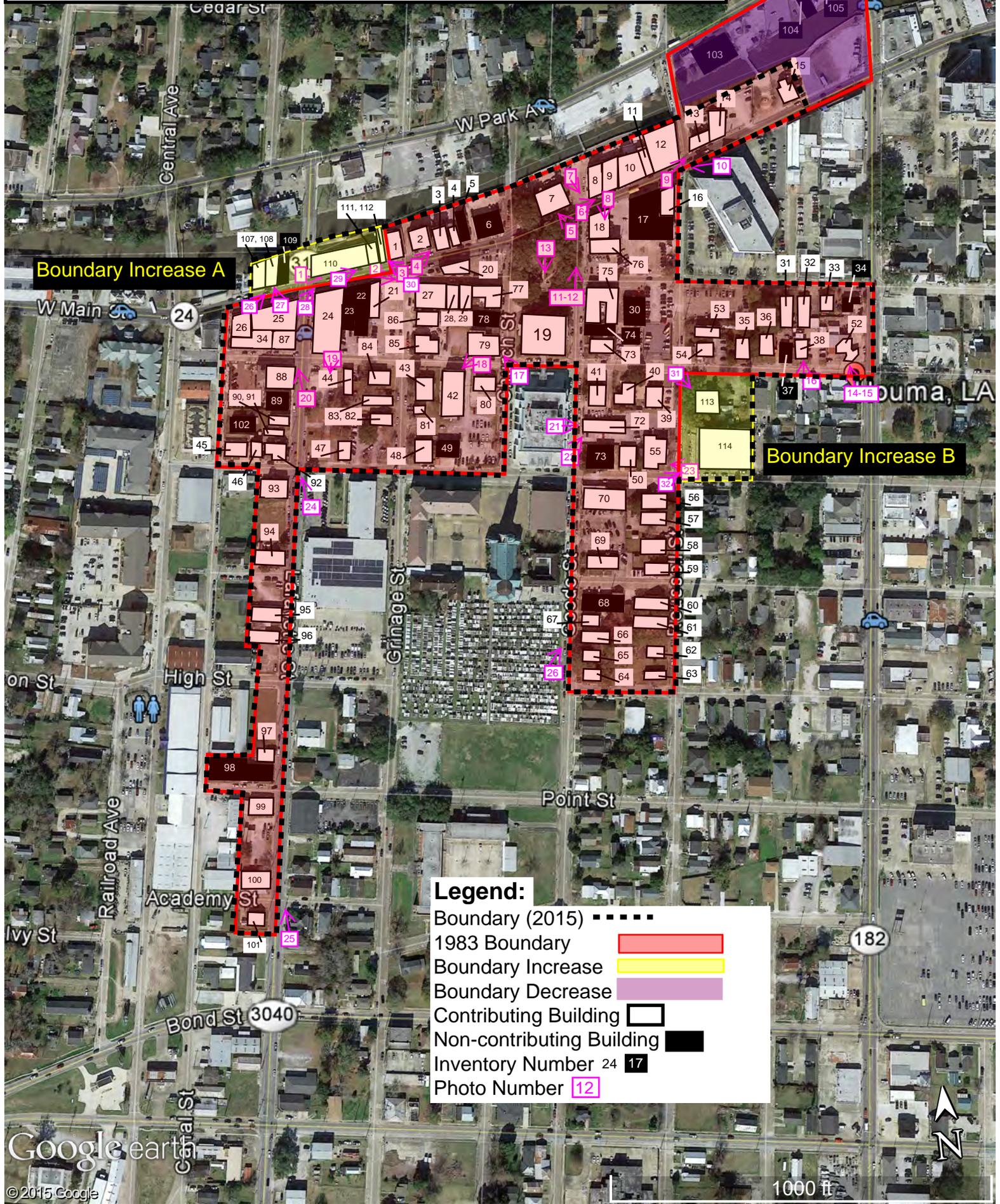
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 Boundary and Sketch Map



Boundary Increase A

Boundary Increase B

Legend:

- Boundary (2015) - - - - -
- 1983 Boundary [Red Box]
- Boundary Increase [Yellow Box]
- Boundary Decrease [Purple Box]
- Contributing Building [White Box]
- Non-contributing Building [Black Box]
- Inventory Number 24 [17]
- Photo Number [12]





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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Houma Historic District (Boundary Increase and Decrease)

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: LOUISIANA, Terrebonne

DATE RECEIVED: 8/21/15 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 9/17/15
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 10/02/15 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/06/15
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 15000699

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 10-6-2015 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

B1 BD AD to change POS

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept A Accept BD Accept AD
REVIEWER J. Galbraith DISCIPLINE _____
TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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August 21, 2015

TO: Mr. James Gabbert
National Park Service 2280, 8th Floor; National Register of Historic Places
1201 "I" Street, NW; Washington, DC 20005

FROM: Jessica Richardson, National Register Coordinator
Louisiana Division of Historic Preservation

RE: Houma Historic District Boundary Increase I, Boundary Decrease I, Terrebonne
Parish, LA

Jim,

The enclosed disk contains the true and correct copy of the nomination for the Houma Historic District Boundary Increase I, Boundary Decrease I to the National Register of Historic Places. The second disk contains the photographs of the property in TIF format. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 225-219-4595 or jrichardson@crt.la.gov.

Thanks,

Jessica

Enclosures:

- CD with PDF of the National Register of Historic Places nomination form and correspondence
- CD with electronic images (tif format)
- Physical Transmission Letter
- Physical Signature Page, with original signature
- Other:

Comments:

- _____ Please ensure that this nomination receives substantive review
- _____ This property has been certified under 36 CFR 67
- _____ The enclosed owner(s) objection(s) do _____ do not _____
- _____ constitute a majority of property owners.
- _____ Other:



No response was
ever received. JR
8-19-15

JAY DARDENNE
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Anne Picou
317 Goode St
Houma, LA 70631

Dear Ms. Picou:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic property listed will be considered by the State National Register Review Committee for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places:

**Houma Historic District Additional Documentation, Boundary Increase, Boundary Decrease
Terrebonne Parish, LA**

The National Register of Historic Places is the federal government's official list of historic properties worthy of preservation. Listing on the National Register provides recognition and assists in preserving our Nation's heritage. Listing of a property provides recognition of its historic significance and assures protective review of federal projects that might adversely affect the character of the historic property. If the property is listed on the National Register, tax credits for rehabilitation and other beneficial provisions may apply. Listing in the National Register does not place limitations on the property by the federal or state government. Public visitation rights are not required of owners. The government will not attach restrictive covenants to the property or seek to acquire them. A draft copy of the nomination and attachment is included with this letter.

One of your responsibilities as a Certified Local Government (CLG) is to review pending National Register nominations of properties within your community. This is required, in part, to detect any errors in fact, but also to provide local insight or knowledge concerning the property. I hope that you will consider the nomination for this property at your next meeting. After providing a reasonable opportunity for public comment, the *Houma* Historic District Commission shall fill out the attached CLG review form as to whether or not, in their opinion, the property meets the National Register criteria. Within 60 calendar days of notice from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), the chief elected official shall transmit their report to the SHPO. If the SHPO does not receive the report and recommendation within 60 calendar days, the nomination process will continue. All comments received will be forwarded to the SHPO Director and the National Register Review Committee for consideration along with the nomination.

We have scheduled the nomination for presentation to the National Register Review Committee on **Thursday, August 13, 2015**, and would like to receive your comments by that time in fulfillment of the comment period. This letter serves as notification initiating the sixty-day comment period.

You are invited to attend the National Register Review Committee meeting at which the nomination will be officially considered. The location and time have not been confirmed yet, but will be found on our website as the meeting date gets closer. Should you have any questions about this nomination before the meeting, please contact me at 225-219-4595 or at jrichardson@crt.la.gov.

Anne Picou
June 1, 2015
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Thanks,


Pam Breau
State Historic Preservation Officer

**HOUMA HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT FOR:
HOUMA HISTORIC DISTRICT ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION, BOUNDARY INCREASE,
BOUNDARY DECREASE
NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION**

NAME OF CLG: _____

PROPERTY NAME: _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____

DATE SENT: _____

DATE OF NATIONAL REGISTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING: _____

Does the nomination meet the Criteria for Listing on the National Register of Historic Places?

Yes_____ No_____ Criterion: A _____ B _____ C _____ D_____

Has public comment been included? Yes_____ No_____ Explain:

The Commission recommends that the property or properties should be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Commission would like to make the following recommendations regarding the nomination (use additional sheets if necessary): _____

The Commission recommends that the property or properties should not be listed on the National Register of Historic Places for the following reasons:

The Commission chooses not to make a recommendation on this nomination for the following reasons:

Historic District Commission Chair (Print Name)

Signature

Date

Chief Elected Official (Print Name)

Signature

Date

This report and recommendation should be mailed to:

National Register Coordinator
Louisiana Division of Historic Preservation
PO Box 44247
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Questions about this form may be directed to the National Register Coordinator – Jessica Richardson at 225-215-4595 or jrichardson@crt.la.gov.