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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: CALIFORNIA	
COUNTY: PLACER	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
MAR 28 1973	

1. NAME

COMMON:
Dutch Flat Historic District

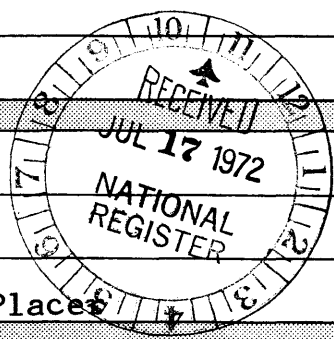
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Main and Stockton Streets

CITY OR TOWN:
Dutch Flat

STATE: **California** CODE: **06** COUNTY: **Placer** CODE: **061**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Various private owners

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Primarily - Dutch Flat** STATE: **California** CODE: **06**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Placer County Recorder

STREET AND NUMBER:
Placer County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: **Auburn (Code 0200-061)** STATE: **California** CODE: **06**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
E. C. Uren

DATE OF SURVEY: **1871** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Placer County Planning Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
County Administrative Center

CITY OR TOWN: **Auburn** STATE: **California** CODE: **06**

STATE: **CALIF.**

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

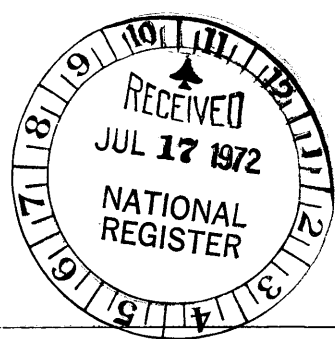
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

1. Dutch Flat Hotel: Original building dates from 1852. The first story was built at that time, with two others being added through the years. Wooden frame structure.
2. General Store: Original building dates from 1854. It has been in continuous use since then. Built of tufa quarried nearby.
3. Clay Lodge Masonic Hall: Original building dates from 1856. Still in continuous use. Wooden frame structure.
4. Olive Lodge of I.O.O.F.: Original building dates from 1858. Still in continuous use. Wooden frame structure with stone front.
5. Dutch Flat Methodist-Episcopal Church: One-story building started in 1859 and completed in 1861. Still in continuous use. Wooden frame structure. Bell tower has been replaced.
6. Dutch Flat School House: Two-story building built in 1898 on exact site of previous two-story school house built in 1875. This was described as the finest school in Placer County. Existing design is very similar to the original. Now used as a community center. Wooden frame structure.
7. One-story Adobe Building: Last remaining building of Dutch Flat's original Chinatown.

Unless otherwise noted, the above buildings have changed little in appearance from photographs taken in 1965

There are a total of forty-five (45) private homes which date prior to 1900, and which are on their original sites and almost unaltered in appearance from the time they were originally constructed. All are wooden frame structures.

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9. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

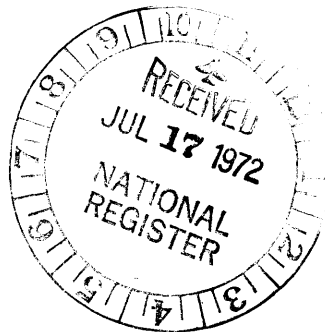
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The entire town of Dutch Flat shows classic Gold Rush architecture, and is unspoiled at the present time. Founded in the spring of 1851, Dutch Flat was noted as the site of rich hydraulic mining from 1854 until 1882. In 1860, it had the largest voting population in Placer County. It had most of the fraternal organizations known in the United States. It was the key point on the Dutch Flat-Donner Lake freight wagon route linking the silver mines of Nevada to California, and was on the Pony Express route. It was in Dutch Flat that Theodore Judah determined the most practical route for the railroad through the Sierra. The first document drawn up to form the Central Pacific Railroad and the first money pledged to build the railroad were undertaken by Judah and Dr. D. W. Strong in the drug store, the site of which is marked by California Historical Landmark #397. Dutch Flat numbered 2,000 Chinese inhabitants during its heyday. Both Bret Harte and Mark Twain found inspiration for their robust stories in the town.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Placer County Business and Official Directory - 1875
 History of Placer County, Thompson & West - 1882
 A History of Placer & Nevada Counties, Lardner & Brock - 1924
 Dutch Flat - A Guide, A. Gilchrist - 1958

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA SE 1/4 Section 34, T/16N - R.10E

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	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	39° 12' 30"	120° 49' 53"		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	39° 12' 30"	120° 50' 20"		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	39° 12' 6"	120° 50' 20"		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	39° 12' 6"	120° 49' 53"		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 48 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
California	06	Placer	061
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Mrs. William D. Fanning

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: 9-22-1970

STREET AND NUMBER: P. O. Box 134

CITY OR TOWN: Dutch Flat STATE: California 95714 CODE: 06

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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: [Signature]
 Title: State Liaison Officer
 Date: JUN 20 1972

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

[Signature]
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 3/28/73

ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date: 3/23/73

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 NW 1/4 687 550
 SE 1/4 687 550
 NW 1/4 687 550
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T. 16 N.
39° 12' 6" T. 15 N.

12' 30"
39° 12' 6"

