



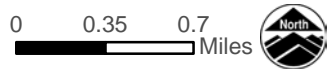
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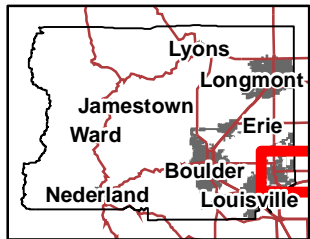
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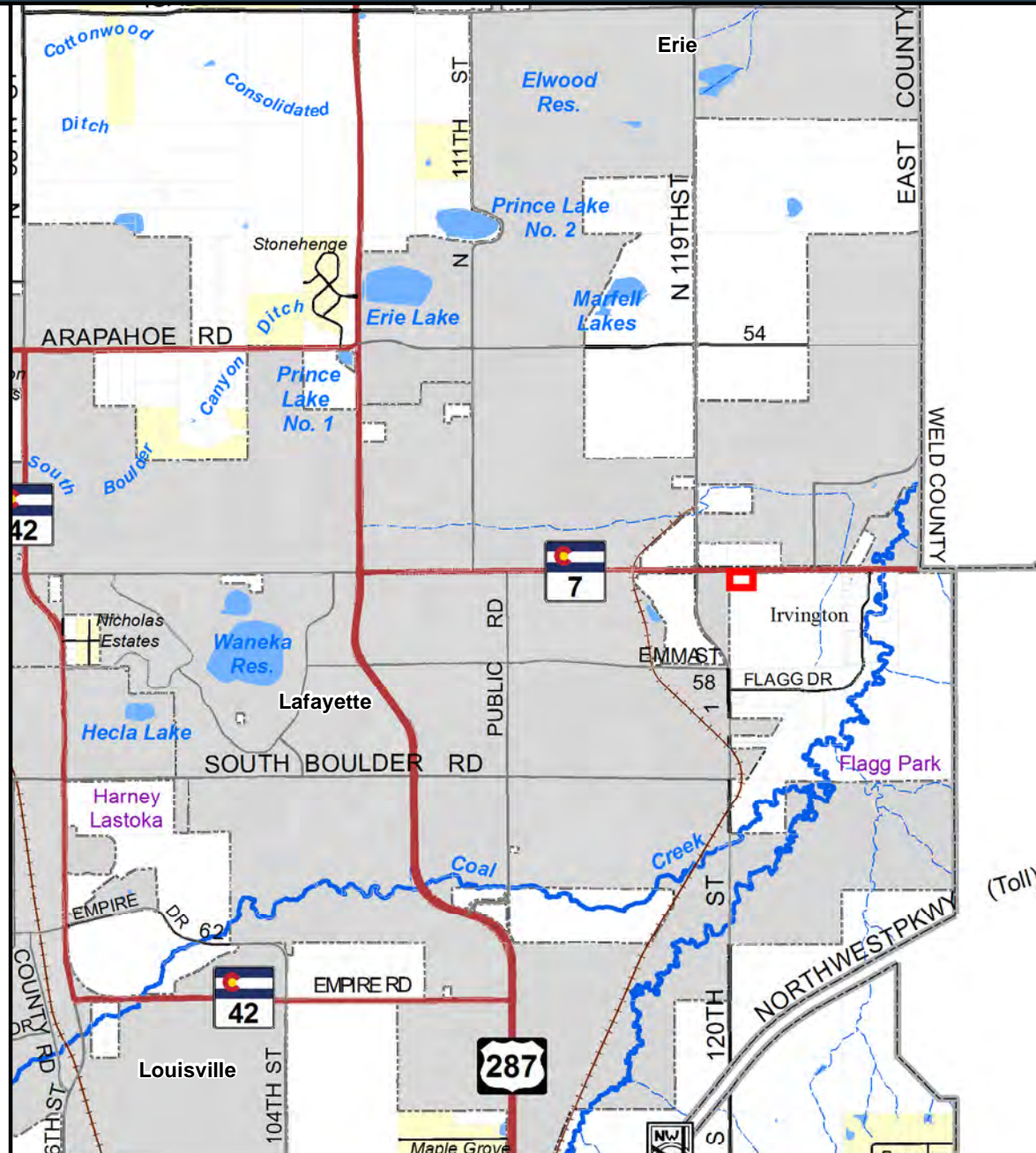
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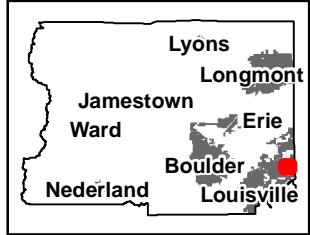
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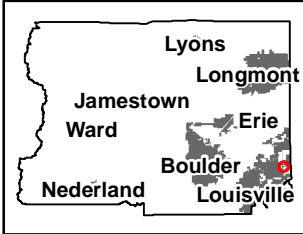
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History Colorado

July 17, 2025

Denise Grimm
Principal Planner - Historic Preservation
2045 13th Street
Boulder, CO 80306

Re: National Register of Historic Places nomination of Waneka Farm (site # 5BL.1994) in Boulder County.

Dear Denise:

In accordance with Colorado's Certified Local Government guidelines, nominations to the National Register of Historic Places must be presented to the local historic preservation commission and the chief elected official of the applicable Certified Local Government for review and comment. The above referenced property will be considered for National Register listing at the next Colorado Historic Preservation Review Board meeting on September 18, 2025.

As a Certified Local Government, you have the opportunity to participate in this action. A copy of the draft nomination for this property is enclosed. Following your review, a letter outlining the support or objection of both your community's chief elected official and the Boulder County Preservation Commission should be forwarded to this office prior to September 18, 2025. The enclosed CLG Report Form may be used in place of a formal letter. Please see the enclosed instructions for additional information.

We invite you to attend a meeting of the State Review Board to be held on September 18, 2025, at the History Colorado Center in Denver. The National Register meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. during which public comments are welcome concerning the eligibility of nominated properties. A final agenda will be available the Monday before the meeting date and posted to the History Colorado [website](#).

We look forward to receiving comments from your community. If you have questions regarding the nomination or nomination process, please contact Damion Pechota, National & State Register Historian, at 720.262.1042, or at damion.pechota@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Dawn DiPrince
State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures:
CLG Nomination Instructions
CLG Report Form
Draft Nomination Form
Tentative Agenda

**COLORADO CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT
NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION
REVIEW REPORT FORM**

Property Name: _____

Address: _____

Certified Local Government: _____

Date of public meeting at which nomination was reviewed: _____

Eligibility Criteria: (Check applicable boxes)

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criterion A | <input type="checkbox"/> Criterion C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criterion B | <input type="checkbox"/> Criterion D |

Please check the boxes below appropriate to the nomination review:

Commission/Board

- ☐ The commission/board recommends that the nomination meets the criteria checked above.
- ☐ The commission/board recommends that the nomination fails to meet any of the above criteria.
- ☐ The commission/board chooses not to make a recommendation on the nomination. Attach an additional sheet explaining the lack of a recommendation.

Chief Elected Official

- ☐ The chief elected official recommends that the nomination meets the criteria checked above.
- ☐ The chief elected official recommends that the nomination fails to meet any of the above criteria.
- ☐ The chief elected official chooses not to make a recommendation on the nomination. Attach an additional sheet explaining the lack of a recommendation.

Attach an additional sheet to make any further comments.

Certify this report with both signatures below

CLG Commission/Board Chair or Representative

Print name: _____

Signature: _____ (Date) _____

Chief Elected Official or Designee

Print name: _____

Signature: _____ (Date) _____



OFFICE of
ARCHAEOLOGY
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS
COLORADO HISTORIC PRESERVATION
REVIEW BOARD
and
COLORADO STATE REGISTER REVIEW BOARD
Thursday, September 18th, 2025 and Friday, September 19th, 2025



TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, September 18th, 2025 – Day 1

10:00AM **COLORADO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD CALL TO ORDER**
Dawn DiPrince, Colorado State Historic Preservation Officer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for May 16th, 2025 meeting:

10:10 **NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION REVIEW**
Explanation of program and procedures
Public review and discussion

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS

Burte Hotel

1025 N Broadway, Denver, Denver County (5DV.53734)

Denver Indian Center

4407 Morrison Road, Denver, Denver County (5DV.1676)

Equitable Building – Mary Lathrop Amendment

730 17th St, Denver, Denver County (5DV.121)

Preston House

3715 W 32nd Ave, Denver, CO (5DV.55531)

Waneka Farm

Satellite Hotel

411 Lakewood Circle, Colorado Springs, El Paso County (5EP.10395)

Fawn Hollow

8039 W. US Highway 34, Loveland, Larimer (5LR.15450)

Georgetown Historic District

Georgetown, Clear Creek County

Silver Plume Historic District

Silver Plume, Clear Creek County

Frost House

17825 Hanover Rd, Fountain, El Paso (5EP.10049)

Hicks Homestead

Weld County (5WL.9704)

Carbonate Hill Steam Plant

200 Toledo Ave, Leadville, Lake County (5LK.2826)

3:00**

ADJOURNMENT OF COLORADO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD

Copies of the nominations to be reviewed may be examined at:

State Historic Preservation Office, National Register and State Register Offices, History Colorado Center, 1200 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203; please call 303-866-3392

**NOMINATION SUBMISSION DATES AND REVIEW BOARD MEETING DATES –
MEETINGS TYPICALLY HELD VIRTUALLY**

<u>SUBMISSION DEADLINES</u> ✉	<u>BOARD MEETINGS</u>	<u>SUBMISSION DEADLINES</u> ✉	<u>BOARD MEETINGS</u>
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January 30, 2026	May 15, 2026	January 29, 2027	May 21, 2027
May 29, 2026	September 18, 2026	June 4, 2027	September 17, 2027

Friday, September 19th, 2025 – Day 2

- 10:00am **STATE REGISTER REVIEW BOARD CALL TO ORDER**
Dawn DiPrince, Executive Director, History Colorado/Colorado Historical Society
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** for May 16th, 2025, meeting
- STATE REGISTER NOMINATIONS**
- Webb House**
2329 N Gaylord St. Denver, Denver County (5DV.55546)
- 2185 Broadway**
2185 N Broadway, Denver, Denver County (5DV.3357)
- Ideal Building – Women’s Bank Amendment**
821 17th Street, Denver, Denver County (5DV.125)
- Equitable Building – Women's Bank Amendment**
730 17th St, Denver, Denver County (5DV.121)
- Douglass Mortuary**
2745 Welton St, Denver, Denver County (5DV.75)
- Museo de las Americas**
861 Santa Fe Drive, Denver, Denver County (5DV.10428)
- BJAA Park**
1220 Longs Peak Street, Brighton, Adams County (5AM.4437)
- Park Hill UMC – Amendment**
5209 Montview Blvd, Denver, Denver County (5DV.9152)
- Second Baptist Church**
1833 19th Street, Boulder, Boulder County (5BL.2078)
- Waverly School**
10431 North County Rd 15, Fort Collins, Larimer County (5LR.10800)
- Romero House**
425 10th Street, Fort Collins, Larimer (5LR.10122)
- City Park Baseball Field**
1500 W Mulberry St, Fort Collins (5LR.15351)
- Halfway House**
10200 Brush Creek Rd, Eagle, Eagle County (5EA.4204)
- Vernon School House – Amendment**
25817 Colorado Street, Vernon (5YM.172)
- KRZA Radio Station**
528 9th St., Alamosa, Alamosa County (5AL.735)

Alamosa Spanish Cemetery

2200 State Ave, Alamosa, Alamosa County (5AL.308)

La Jara Buddhist Temple

123 Poplar Street, La Jara, Conejos County (5CN.2171)

3:00 ADJOURNMENT OF STATE REVIEW BOARD**

**Time shown is approximate and subject to change depending on the length of time required for board review of each nomination.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**National Register of Historic Places Registration Form**

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" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

1. Name of PropertyHistoric name: Waneka FarmOther names/site number: 5BL1994

Name of related multiple property listing:

Agricultural Resources of Boulder County

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

2. LocationStreet & number: 12076 East Baseline RoadCity or town: Lafayette State: Colorado County: BoulderNot For Publication: ☐Vicinity: ☒**3. State/Federal Agency Certification**

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility 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 X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

 national statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

X A B X C D_____
Signature of certifying official/Title:_____
Date_____
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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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

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this 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:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

Private:

☐

Public – Local

☒

Public – State

☐

Public – Federal

☐

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

Building(s)

☐

District

☒

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Site

☐

Structure

☐

Object

☐

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing

Noncontributing

12

2

buildings

0

0

sites

3

3

structures

0

0

objects

15

5

Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register None

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Agriculture/Animal Facility

Agriculture/Storage

Agriculture/Agricultural Outbuilding

Agriculture/Agricultural Field

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Domestic/Institutional Housing

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Recreation and Culture/Museum

Agriculture/Agricultural Field

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Other: Late 19th and Early 20th Century American Movements

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Wood/Weatherboard, Metal/Steel, Concrete, Asbestos

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

The 4.58-acre Waneka Farm is located in southeastern Boulder County, Colorado, in an unincorporated enclave surrounded by the City of Lafayette, with the original Lafayette townsite a half-mile west of the farm (see Location Maps).¹ The nominated area includes the farm headquarters, which holds twenty buildings and structures, as well as more than two acres of cultivated fields. The level, rectangular parcel lies on the south side of East Baseline Road (Colorado State Highway 7); Coal Creek flows northeasterly 0.6 miles to the east. The surrounding area includes other farmland, open space, and newer subdivision developments. The farm originally included the entire quarter-section of land to the south and east.² That area is now jointly owned by the County of Boulder and the City of Lafayette as dedicated open space and continues in agricultural uses. The property retains historic integrity. The included Sketch Maps show the nominated area boundary, contributing status of resources, features of the site, and photograph locations.

¹ Lexie Sierra-Martinez, Open Space Superintendent, City of Lafayette, to Thomas H. Simmons, email, November 12, 2024. Only real property, not water rights (per 36 CFR 60.6), is the subject of this nomination. There are two wells on the farm with a beneficial use date of 1900 (Decree W-4011, well #1, permit 87348 and well #2, permit 87349). The wells supply water to this property only and are limited to domestic, stock watering, and irrigation of a small yard and garden.

² Since Baseline Road is a correction line for the public lands survey system, this is a “short” quarter-section, rather than comprising a full 160 acres.

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Narrative Description

The headquarters area of the Waneka Farm occupies approximately 2.28 acres of the 4.58-acre assessor parcel, with the remainder in cultivated fields (see Sketch Maps and Figure 1). The farm headquarters comprises a rough rectangle, extending 386' east-west and 302' north south. There are two entrances to the complex from East Baseline Road, a minor one at the east end, providing access to the house and bunkhouse via a gravel driveway, and a principal entrance slightly west of center with a gravel driveway that roughly divides the headquarters in half.



Figure 1. This oblique aerial photograph (view south) shows the headquarters of the Waneka Farm in April 2024, a few years after its acquisition by the City of Lafayette. East Baseline Road is along the bottom edge of the image. The farmhouse is to the left and the main barn and long loafing shed are to the right. The concrete bunker silo is near the top center. SOURCE: Boulder County, oblique aerial photograph, April 24, 2024.

With the exception of the one-and-a-half-story main barn, a 39'-tall concrete stave silo, and a 25'-tall windmill tower remnant, all resources are one story in height. Most resources display wood frame construction, with two clad with corrugated metal panels and one with cement asbestos shingles. Concrete construction was employed for the stave silo and the bunker silo, while the two grain bins are corrugated steel.

The headquarters consists of three functional areas: a residential tract in the northeast corner, a livestock care section in the northwest corner, and a storage and utility area occupying the southern half of the headquarters. The grassy, treed area of the residential area contrasts with the rest of the headquarters area, which is in gravel and has no trees or shrubs. The residential area includes a house, bunkhouse, coal shed, and privy, all painted white. A line of three large trees

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stands east of the house and northeast of the bunkhouse, with two other sizable trees to the west. West of the house, between it and the north-south access driveway, is an area adjacent to Baseline Road that is in grass, with large and small trees, shrubs, and a vinyl post and rail fence (post-2019) bordering the public road. A post-2019 sign stands east of the north-south driveway identifying the property as the “Waneka Centennial Farm,” a City of Lafayette facility. Lilac shrubs grow near the northeast and southwest corners of the house and to its west near a propane tank. Near the southwest corner of the house is a square concrete pad covering a cistern. Farther southwest is a 25’-tall metal, sectional windmill tower lacking a vane (no longer in use). South of the grassy area and north of the machine shed is a chicken house and a pheasant/wildlife house (both painted red) standing in a fenced gravel area partially enclosed by a woven wire fence on wood posts.

The livestock care area west of the north-south driveway holds a barn, loafing shed, and a small corral holding a concrete stave silo. To the south, across a narrow east-west gravel alley is a larger, roughly L-shaped corral. The corral has a loading chute at its northeast corner, wood feed troughs attached to portions of its east and north walls, and a steel livestock squeeze chute inside the corral. A cow barn and a small loafing shed are adjacent to the corral on the north, while the rear walls of three buildings in the storage and utility area border the corral to the south. With the exception of the small corrugated steel-clad loafing shed, all of the frame buildings in this area are painted red. A rectangular feedlot (no longer extant) once bordered this area on the west. It was constructed in the 1950s and is shown on aerial photographs through 2008. Before and after those dates, the area comprised part of the farm’s cultivated fields.

The storage and utility area in the southern part of the headquarters contains a line of buildings and structures along its northern edge. West of the north-south access road are an oil shed, a concrete foundation, garage, and granary, while a machine shed, truck garage, and two steel Butler grain bins lie to the east. Between the two grain bins is a circular concrete slab foundation, which formerly held a similar type of grain bin. To the south is a large open gravel area previously used for storage of farm machinery. At the southeast edge of the headquarters is a long, concrete bunker silo.

The nominated area contains twenty resources, of which fifteen (75 percent) are evaluated as contributing and five (25 percent) as noncontributing (see Table 1).³ The individual resources are described below, grouped by major functional areas of the headquarters. Resources are identified by letters keyed to the Sketch Map. Information is supplied on year of construction, builder, resource type, contributing status, and photographic references.⁴ Information on year of construction was derived from an earlier survey (which included information from the owners),

³ The MPDF specifies that the period of significance ends in 1967, thus resources constructed or moved to the farm after that date are classified as noncontributing. However, they retain historic integrity and would otherwise have been categorized as contributing if the period of significance had a later end date.

⁴ While information on interior features of resources is not typically supplied for historic districts, in this case brief notes are provided where interiors were accessible and deemed significant. Many interiors were inaccessible, while others were open, with photographs providing information on interior characteristics.

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aerial photographs, assessor information, a 2025 interview with William M. "Bill" Waneka, and inscriptions on concrete made by the Wanekas during construction.⁵

Residential Area

House, ca. 1890 (Henry Adolph Waneka), Building, Resource A, Contributing, Photographs 11 through 13. Located near the northeastern corner of the headquarters, the one-story, rectangular, side gable roof, frame house (36' x 22') faces east toward the driveway and has a concrete collar foundation, likely installed over an original stone foundation. The walls and gable faces are clad with cement asbestos shingles with wavy bottom edges; there are cornerboards. The front has an entrance at the north end that opens onto a small concrete stoop; the entrance holds a flush wood door with a vinyl storm door. South of the entrance is a single one-over-one-light wood window, followed by shorter, paired one-over-one-light wood windows; all have vinyl storm windows. The north wall features two picture windows. The west wall displays two one-over-one-light wood windows with vinyl storm windows.

The south wall has a short one-over-one-light wood window with a vinyl storm window near the center. At the east end of the wall is an entrance containing a three-light wood paneled door with a vinyl storm door. Below the window is a bulkhead entrance to a crawl space; it has a concrete perimeter foundation and a slanting superstructure with wood walls and a wood door with strap hinges. The house has overhanging boxed eaves and standing-seam metal roofing. The interior was not accessible, but city staff indicated that walls had been taken down to studs for environmental remediation. *Alterations:* A circa 1951-52 appraisal card photograph shows an inset porch at the northeast corner; it has been filled in and an entrance added on the east wall. Two picture windows were installed on the north wall. The cement asbestos shingles are likely a historic change. In 1999 the main entrance had a metal awning and a pedestrian ramp that are no longer present.

Bunkhouse, pre-1924, 1951-52 (part was originally a coal miner's house at the Standard Mine; William P. Waneka, Jr. and Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource B, Contributing, Photographs 14 through 16. The east part of the building was moved to this location circa 1927 by William P. Waneka, Jr.⁶ About 1951-52, Chuck Waneka extended the building to the west, i.e., the part west of the joint line between the two sets of paired windows on the north wall.

The one-story, front gable roof bunkhouse is L-shaped (24' x 20'). It is located south-southeast of the house and faces west. The building has a stone and concrete foundation. The walls are mostly clad with wood drop siding, and there are cornerboards. The front (west) features an entrance near the north end holding a decorative wood paneled door with a large rectangular

⁵ Carl McWilliams, Waneka Farm, Lafayette, Colorado, 5BL1994, Management Data Form and Historic Architectural Building Structure Form, Boulder County Historic Sites Survey (Fort Collins, Colorado: Cultural Resource Historians, June 22, 1999). The detailed 1999 survey of the farm by historian Carl McWilliams was very helpful in producing the descriptions for this nomination.

⁶ Charles D. Waneka, Chuck Waneka Farm, Lafayette, Colorado, 5BL1994, Colorado Centennial Farm application, April 29, 1987, on file History Colorado, Denver, Colorado. Chuck Waneka reported that William, Jr. traded a cow for the building. It originally served as a garage and wash house and then a bunk house for hired men.

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light; it opens onto a red flagstone stoop. South of the entrance is a short one-over-one-light wood window. The north wall contains two sets of one-over-one-light wood windows; the wall section around the east set of windows has been filled in with drop siding. The east wall exhibits an off-center paneled wood door and a square, boarded-up opening on the gable face. The notch at the southeast corner of the building is unfenestrated and is clad with T1-11 paneling. The south wall is clad with wood drop siding and contains paired one-over-one-light wood windows. The building has overhanging boxed eaves, and the roof is clad with standing seam metal roofing; There is a red brick chimney on the south roof slope near the center. The interior was not accessible. *Alterations:* A garage section to the east was removed after 1999. The T1-11 siding was also applied to the southeast corner area after that date.

Coal Shed, 1937 (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource C, Contributing, Photographs 17 and 18. The coal shed is located west of the bunkhouse and faces north. The one-story, shed roof building measures about 10' x 5' and has a poured concrete foundation, which is missing in sections. The walls are composed of drop siding with cornerboards. The front (north) has an off-center vertical board door with strap hinges; the east wall contains a square opening high on the wall (door missing) with strap hinges still in place. The south and east walls are unfenestrated. The building has overhanging eaves, exposed rafters, and corrugated metal roofing. The interior was not accessible. *Alterations:* The hatch on the west wall is no longer present.

Privy, 1937 (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource D, Contributing, Photographs 19 and 20. This WPA-type privy is located south of the bunkhouse and faces south-southeast. The one-story, shed roof building (4'2" x 4'2") has a concrete foundation and features board-and-batten walls. The front (south) contains an off-center vertical board door with strap hinges and a cut-out slot to pull the door open. The west and north walls contain small, screened vent openings; the east wall is unfenestrated. The shed roof has widely overhanging eaves, exposed rafters, and standing-seam metal roofing. The interior holds a single-seat toilet set at a 45-degree angle to the northwest corner. The toilet has a concrete base integrated into the floor and a wood lid. *Alterations:* The privy is somewhat deteriorated, but there are no apparent alterations. For sanitary reasons, privies were often moved to different locations on farms, and Bill Waneka confirmed this was the case on this farm.

Chicken House, early 1930s, late-1950s/early-1960s (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource E, Contributing, Photographs 21 through 23. The north shed roof part of this building appears to have been an outbuilding in Lafayette that was moved here in the early 1930s by Chuck Waneka.⁷ The southern shed roof part was added in the late-1950s or early 1960s.⁸ The one-story, L-shaped (40' x 23') frame building faces south, has a concrete foundation, and features a gabled section to the west with a shed roof wing projecting eastward. Both parts of the building have corrugated metal roofing. The east wing has board-and-batten cladding and overhanging boxed eaves. Its south wall displays vertical board doors with strap hinges at each end with two square window openings in between; the east and north walls are unfenestrated. The gable roofed

⁷ The 1999 survey form reported the joined building came from the backyard of Cliff Anderson's property on Simpson Street in Lafayette.

⁸ William M. "Bill" Waneka, Wheatland, Wyoming, telephone interview by Thomas H. Simmons, May 14, 2025 (hereafter Bill Waneka interview).

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western part of the building is clad with drop siding and has overhanging eaves with exposed rafter ends. Its east wall contains an off-center, paneled wood door, while the south wall has four, four-light wood windows with plain wood surrounds. The west wall is divided into two bays by a narrow vertical board; the south half holds a four-light wood window, and the north half is unfenestrated. The north wall is also unfenestrated. At the west end is a raised planting area with a stone border holding a sign indicating the property is a Colorado Centennial Farm. The interior was not accessible. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Pheasant/Wildlife House, 1960s (Waneka family), Building, Resource F, Contributing, Photographs 24 and 25. William "Bill" Waneka reported this building initially was erected to house pheasants that he was raising as a 4H project. The building later accommodated fox kits and coyote pups found by the Waneka children, as well as serving as an overflow area for chickens.⁹

Located east of the chicken house, this smaller one-story frame building (13' x 5') faces south. The walls are clad with wood drop siding. The west wall contains a door clad with drop siding with strap hinges. The south wall holds a band of four, fixed-light, single windows. To the east is a shorter shed roof component with an open south wall. The east and north walls are unfenestrated. The building has overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends, wood shingle roofing on the west section and standing seam metal roof on the east part. Attached to the south is a 13' x 12' run, consisting of a wood framework fully enclosed with chicken wire. On its west side a wood door clad with drop siding provides access to the interior. The interior of the building was not accessible. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations. Some chicken wire on the enclosure is missing.

Livestock Care Area

The northwest area of the headquarters, west of the north-south access road, contains buildings and structures devoted to handling and caring for livestock, including a barn with an attached loafing shed, a cow barn, a loafing shed, a corral, and a concrete stave silo. A feedlot once was located in the field to the west.

Barn, 1939, 1953 north addition (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource G, Contributing, Photographs 26 through 31. The shed roof part was added in 1953, when the attached loafing shed (Resource H) to the west was built. The frame barn faces east and consists of a one-and-a-half-story front gable part to the south (40' x 20') and a one-story shed roof section to the north (50' x 29'). The building has a concrete foundation and walls clad with drop siding with cornerboards. There is a short metal chimney pipe on the south roof slope near the west end. The building features overhanging eaves with exposed rafter ends and corrugated metal roofing. Most windows and doors have plain wood surrounds.

The front (east) contains a pedestrian entrance at the south end holding a vertical board door that opens onto a concrete stoop. To the north is a garage bay containing double beadboard doors

⁹ Bill Waneka interview.

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with diagonal bracing; flanking the entrance are four-light wood windows. Above is a vertical board loft door, and at the apex of the gable face is a four-light wood window.¹⁰ The east wall of the shed roof addition has a tall, poured concrete foundation and a band of five four-light wood windows.

The south wall of the barn exhibits seven four-light hopper wood windows. The west wall of the original gabled roof section of the barn holds paired four-light wood windows to the south and an off-center entrance to the north that opens onto a concrete ramp. The entrance appears to be filled in with drop siding. The upper story holds a vertical board loft door, and at the gable face apex is a four-light wood window. The interior of the original part of the barn has a concrete floor, built-in wood storage bins on the south and north walls, and a standing seam metal ceiling. A small room at the southwest corner with a paneled wood door provides access to the loft via a ladder. The loft is open and was used for general storage and not for hay.

The shed roof addition projects about 10' farther westward than the original barn. The south and west walls of the addition are open. The roof is supported by metal and wood posts and features a series of wood trusses tied to the north wall of the original barn. The interior floor is concrete. Chuck Waneka used his welding skills to fabricate an innovative system to control livestock movement inside the shed addition. A large pipe is mounted on rails that extend the east-west length of the shed roof section. Suspended from the pipe is a steel tubular gate flanked by steel tubular fence sections. A transmission connected to an electric motor could slowly move the structure, forcing the cattle from west to east into the interior.¹¹ An L-shaped alley constructed of welded steel pipes permitted livestock to be diverted into the main barn via a concrete ramp or into a squeeze chute that opens onto the corral to the west. The north wall of the shed roof addition is unfenestrated and displays a tall, poured concrete foundation. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

North Loafing Shed, 1953 (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource H, Contributing, Photographs 32 through 34. This one-story, shed roof, rectangular (80' x 20') loafing shed is attached to the west wall of the barn and extends west along the north property line adjacent to East Baseline Road. The walls are clad with drop siding and rest on a raised concrete foundation. The building faces south, and the open front is divided into five bays by wood posts; the posts have diagonal braces and rest on short concrete piers. Originally square, the lower portions of the wood posts have been worn away by livestock rubbing against them. The floor is dirt. The west and north walls are unfenestrated. The building has overhanging eaves with exposed rafter ends and corrugated metal roofing. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Silo, 1925 or 1926 (contractor engaged by William P. Waneka, Jr.), Structure, Resource I, Contributing, Photograph 35. Standing on the south edge of the fenced area south of the north loafing shed is a 39'-tall, 12.7' diameter concrete stave silo. This type of silo is composed of thin vertical concrete tongue-and-groove panels (staves) held in tension by a series of encircling iron

¹⁰ Bill Waneka interview. Grain was stored in the loft, and holes in the loft floor permitted grain to be dispensed to troughs, where dairy cattle could feed while being milked. Hay was not stored in the loft.

¹¹ Bill Waneka said they did not use the device much, because once they started milking the cattle they "would come through the barn in the order they always do."

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rods.¹² The silo faces south toward an east-west gravel road. The south face of the silo has a vertical column of square openings framed in metal; two sections of half-round corrugated metal partially cover the openings. The flat roof is covered with a metal cap. The interior is undivided, and the walls appear to have an asphaltic coating. *Alterations:* The wood doors to the square openings are missing, as well as parts of the galvanized chute on the south. The concrete foundation was reinforced in 1970, based on a concrete inscription.

Cow Barn, circa 1931, 1944 addition (unknown and Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource J, Contributing, Photographs 36 through 38. This building was used for milking the Waneka's dairy cattle prior to the conversion of the barn (Resource G) in 1953. The cow barn is located south of the silo across a narrow gravel road. The one-story, rectangular (42' x 14'), shed roof building faces north and has a poured concrete foundation. The east quarter of the building is composed of painted concrete blocks and is likely a 1944 addition. The remainder of the barn is frame, clad with board-and-batten. The east end of the front (the masonry part) contains an entrance with a wood paneled door (bottom panels missing) that opens onto a small concrete stoop inscribed with "CHUCK" and "AUG 2 1944"; west of the entrance is a four-light wood window. To the west the frame part of the north wall holds a small board-and-batten clad hatch, followed by two square fixed-light windows and a four-light wood window.

The west wall exhibits a vertical board door with strap hinges. The frame part of the south wall (rear) contains three boarded-up windows to the west and a board-and-batten clad door with strap hinges to the east. The concrete block portion holds paired windows in a plain wood surround (one wood four-light and one fixed single-light). The east wall contains paired four-light wood windows. The building has overhanging eaves, exposed rafter ends, and corrugated metal roofing. The interior of the building has a concrete floor. Stanchions used for milking in the west part are no longer present. At the east end of the frame part of the building is a small tack room composed of horizontal boards with a vertical board door. *Alterations:* Some window glazing is missing, and the bottom of the north door has missing bottom panels.

South Loafing Shed, 1950s (moved here by Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource K, Contributing, Photographs 39 and 40. This building was moved from a location west of the farm south of Baseline Road to this site in the 1950s.¹³ Located east of the cow barn, this small loafing shed (24' x 14') does not have a foundation, but several pieces of sandstone are placed under the rear wall. The one-story rectangular building faces east, and its walls are clad with corrugated metal panels. The front is open, and the remaining walls are unfenestrated. The saltbox roof has overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends and is clad with corrugated metal panels. The building has an earth floor. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

¹² Allen G. Noble and Richard K. Clark, *The Old Barn Book: A Field Guide to North American Barns and Other Farm Structures* (New Brunswick, New Jersey: Rutgers University Press, 1995), 160; Susan Granger and Scott Kelly, *Historic Context Study of Minnesota Farms, 1820-1960*, Vol. 1 (Morris, Minnesota: Gemini Research, June 2005), 6.452. The Minnesota study found that such silos were "cheaper than silos of brick and clay tile and no special masonry skills were needed."

¹³ Bill Waneka, interview.

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Corral, circa 1960-61 (Chuck and Bill Waneka), Structure, Resource L, Contributing, Photographs 41 through 46. This roughly L-shaped corral measures 118' east-west and 60' north-south and is located south of the barn, cow barn, and small loafing shed and north of a line of farm outbuildings in the storage and utility area. The corral is divided into a smaller rectangular area to the east, holding a steel livestock control structure and a loading chute at the northeast corner, and an open L-shaped area to the west.

The corral fence is composed of heavy timber posts and board rails and features tubular steel ranch-type gates. There is a canted wood feed trough on the outside of the east corral fence, and another on the inside of the corral fence near the northwest corner. A narrow alley is present inside the east fence that provides access to the loading chute at the northeast corner of the corral. The lip of the loading chute has an embedded horseshoe and an inscription reading "B.W. C.W." and "Dec 29 61," indicating it was constructed by Chuck Waneka and his son Bill in late 1961.¹⁴ The chute has welded steel pipe railings, a concrete ramp with cleats, and a coursed, red flagstone foundation. In the center of the east portion of the corral a steel livestock control structure (squeeze chute) rests on a concrete pad. The mechanism was fabricated by the Wanekas, and the pad bears a date of 1995. *Alterations:* The squeeze chute equipment inside the corral was added circa 1995.

Utility/Storage Area

The southern third of the headquarters served as a storage and support area for the farm, containing feed and grain storage facilities, garages, and a machine shed. This area is open with no trees or shrubs and is covered in gravel. Historical aerial photos show that the southern edge of the area was used for open storage of farm equipment. West of the north-south access road and south of the corral are three buildings: an oil house, garage, and granary. East of the north-south access road and south of the residential area are a long machine shed, a truck garage, and two metal Butler-type grain bins. South of these latter buildings, at the south edge of the headquarters, is a large concrete bunker silo.

Resources West of the North-South Access Road

Oil Shed, 1989 (Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource M, Noncontributing, Photograph 47. This building was used by the Wanekas to store oil, chemicals, and similar materials. This small shed (12' x 8') with a front gable roof faces south and has occasional stone piers serving as its foundation. The walls are clad with flush, horizontal, tongue-and-groove boards with cornerboards. The front contains a center entrance with a flush wood door in a plain wood surround; the rear features a single-light, fixed wood window. The shed has overhanging, boxed eaves and the roof is clad with corrugated metal panels. The building is assessed as noncontributing, due to its construction after the period of significance. The interior was not accessible. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

¹⁴ Bill Waneka indicated his father often embedded horseshoes in concrete work for luck to prevent the concrete from cracking.

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Between the oil shed and the garage is the concrete slab foundation that once held a beet shack. The building was constructed at an unknown location as housing for sugar beet workers. It was moved to this location in 1943 by Chuck Waneka and used as a shop. It disappeared between 2008 and 2010, based on successive aerial photographs.

Garage, pre-1943 (moved here in 1943 Chuck Waneka), Building, Resource N, Contributing, Photographs 48 and 49. This one-story, front gable roof garage exhibits a rectangular plan (18' x 12') and faces south. Several large stones serve as a foundation. The walls are clad with rusted corrugated metal panels. The front holds a single garage door bay (no door present), and the remaining walls are unfenestrated; there is a flue opening on the west wall. The building has overhanging, boxed eaves and corrugated metal roofing. Originally located west of the farm on the south side of East Baseline Road, the building was moved to this location within the period of significance in 1943 by Chuck Waneka. The interior features a wood floor composed of thick boards. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Granary, 1941 (Waneka family, neighbors, and the Lafayette Lions Club), Structure, Resource O, Contributing, Photographs 50 and 51. This granary was constructed in one day by the Waneka family with help from the Lafayette Lions Club. This one-story, side gable roof, rectangular (32' x 14') granary faces south and rests on three low rows of poured concrete under the north and south walls and at the center. The building exhibits studs-out construction, with horizontal boards nailed to the inside of the studs. The boards alternately project from walls at the corners. The front contains a center entrance holding a four-light wood frame door; the glazing is missing and has been filled in with oriented strand board on the inside. A transom above the door is covered. The door opens into a hallway, flanked by two grain bins to the east and west.

The remaining walls are unfenestrated. The east and west gable faces are clad with drop siding; each gable face contains two trapezoidal doors, most with wood latches, which permitted access to the grain bins. The building has overhanging eaves with exposed rafter ends and the roof is clad with corrugated metal. There is a gabled projection covered with galvanized metal on the ridge near the west end (not a cupola), which was used to fill the bins with an augur.¹⁵ The interior was not accessible. *Alterations:* Aside from some alterations to the door, the structure has no apparent alterations.

Resources East of the North-South Access Road

Machine Shed, 1951 (Chuck and Wilbur Waneka), Building, Resource P, Contributing, Photographs 52 and 53. This long, one-story machine shed (108' x 20') faces south and has a raised concrete perimeter foundation. The open front is divided into eight bays by square wood posts with diagonal wood braces resting on short, tapered concrete piers. The remaining walls are unfenestrated and are clad with corrugated metal panels. The building has a saltbox box roof

¹⁵ An augur is a piece of farm machinery that moves grain using a rotating screw conveyor from a truck or wagon into a storage facility.

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with overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends and is clad with corrugated metal panels. The interior has an earth floor. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Truck Garage, pre-1973 (moved here in 1972 by Chuck and Bill Waneka), Building, Resource Q, Noncontributing, Photographs 54 and 55. This building previously served as a two-car garage at the Waneka property at 11761 East Baseline Road. In 1973 Chuck and Bill Waneka moved it by truck to this farm to serve as a truck garage. Jacks were used to elevate the building on the newly constructed concrete perimeter foundation walls, which was necessary to accommodate the truck height.

This one-story, rectangular (26' x 19') truck garage faces south and has a front gable roof. The walls are clad with wood drop siding with cornerboards. The front contains a double garage door bay (no door present); the west wall holds a wood panel door at the north end; the north wall displays two one-over-one-light wood windows with plain wood surrounds (no glazing present) and a square opening in the gable face; and the east wall is unfenestrated. The building has overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends and standing seam metal roofing. The interior has an earth floor, open wood storage racks on the south wall, and wood storage bins on the east wall. The garage is assessed as noncontributing, since it was moved to this location in 1972, after the period of significance. *Alterations:* At the time of a 1999 survey, the building had cement asbestos shingle cladding, which has since been removed.

West Butler Grain Bin, 1975 (Chuck Waneka), Structure, Resource R, Noncontributing, Photograph 56. The Wanekas used the steel grain bins to store wheat or barley. The bins were filled using an augur. This cylindrical, Butler brand grain bin is 18' in diameter and rests on a slightly raised concrete slab foundation. The walls are composed of five rings of galvanized, corrugated steel panels applied horizontally. There is a square opening at the base on the south side that opens onto a small concrete apron. The concrete apron is inscribed "7-14-75," the date the grain bin was installed. The grain bin has a shallow, standing seam metal roof. There is a slightly raised, cylindrical access hatch at its peak and rungs on the south roof slope for access. The interior was not accessible. The granary is assessed as noncontributing, due to its construction after the period of significance. *Alterations:* The door for the south opening is missing.

A third metal grain bin, the same size as the west one, was also erected in 1975 and stood between the two extant ones. It disappeared between 2014 and 2015, based on successive aerial photographs, and only its concrete slab foundation remains.

East Butler Grain Bin, 1975 (Chuck Waneka), Structure, Resource S, Noncontributing, Photograph 57. This cylindrical, Butler brand grain bin is 18' in diameter and rests on a concrete block foundation. It is slightly shorter than the bin to the west. The walls are composed of four rings of galvanized, corrugated steel panels applied horizontally. There is a flush metal door on the south side with embossed Butler Manufacturing Company information. The grain bin has a shallow, standing seam metal roof. There is a slightly raised, cylindrical access hatch at its peak and rungs on the south roof slope for access. The interior was not accessible. The granary is

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assessed as noncontributing, due to its construction after the period of significance. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Bunker Silo, 1968 (Phil Sacbina [sic], for Chuck Waneka), Structure, Resource T, Noncontributing, Photographs 58 and 59. Chuck Waneka contracted to have this bunker silo constructed to store corn for silage. Trucks would back into the silo and then unload the corn. Bill Waneka recalls using a tractor with a dozer blade to spread the silage, which sometimes completely filled the structure. Boards could be attached to the projecting rebar at the top of the walls to further increase the capacity.

The rectangular bunker silo (116' x 26') faces west and has a concrete slab foundation that projects beyond the wall; a wide concrete apron extends to the west. The 10'-tall walls are composed of poured concrete reinforced with rebar rods which project above the top of the walls. The projecting rebar permitted the wall height to be raised to 11' through the placement of horizontal boards. The west wall is open, and the remaining walls are unfenestrated. The silo does not have a roof. The bunker silo is assessed as noncontributing, due to its construction after the period of significance. *Alterations:* There are no apparent alterations.

Alterations

Waneka Farm displays very few alterations after the end of the period of significance. In 1968 a bunker silo was constructed on the southern edge of the headquarters. Three metal Butler grain bins were added in 1975; two are still extant. A small oil shed was built in 1989. One building moved to the farmstead in 1943 is no longer present. A comparison of Figures 1 and 9 shows the great continuity in the layout of the headquarters in 1981 and 2024. Individual buildings retain historic materials and fenestration with only minor changes.

Integrity

Waneka Farm retains historic integrity, with relatively few changes occurring in the past half century. The farmstead retains integrity of location as it is still where it was originally established in 1883. The farm retains integrity of design, displaying the same layout of buildings, division of the headquarters into functional areas, and same scale and massing of buildings as displayed historically. The farm retains integrity of materials, including a variety of historic wall cladding, such as drop siding, board-and-batten, cement asbestos shingles, and corrugated steel panels, as well as extensive use of concrete and welded steel pipes. Waneka Farm displays integrity of workmanship, with solidly constructed and maintained utilitarian frame buildings. Chuck Waneka's accomplished skill at welding and concrete work resulted in impressively sturdy buildings and structures. The integrity of setting is very good, as reflected in the headquarters area, its surrounding agricultural fields, and the open space to the south and east. Agricultural uses to the north have faded, replaced by more recent residential subdivision development. While the buildings no longer function as a farm headquarters, integrity of association is retained through continuing use of the farm by the City of Lafayette as a facility conveying the agricultural history of the area. Waneka Farm possesses integrity of feeling as an historical agricultural property, through its setting amid agricultural fields, the tight cluster of

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farm buildings functionally differentiated by red and white paint, and the inclusion of such typical farm building and structure types as a large barn, concrete stave silo, loafing sheds, bunkhouse, grain bins, corral, and machine shed.

Table 1. Resources within the Waneka Farm Historic District

Resource Number	Resource Name	Year Built	Contributing Status
A	House	ca. 1890 ca.	Contributing
B	Bunkhouse	pre-1927, 1951-52	Contributing
C	Coal Shed	1937	Contributing
D	Privy	1937	Contributing
E	Chicken House	early 1930s, late-1950s/early 1960s	Contributing
F	Pheasant/Wildlife House	1960s	Contributing
G	Barn	1939, 1953	Contributing
H	North Loafing Shed	1953	Contributing
I	Silo	1925 or 1926	Contributing
J	Cow Barn	1931 ca.	Contributing
K	South Loafing Shed	1950s	Contributing
L	Corral	1960-61	Contributing
M	Oil Shed	1989	Noncontributing
N	Garage	pre-1943	Contributing
O	Granary	1941	Contributing
P	Machine Shed	1951	Contributing
Q	Truck Garage	Pre-1973	Noncontributing
R	West Butler Grain Bin	1975	Noncontributing
S	East Butler Grain Bin	1975	Noncontributing
T	Bunker Silo	1968	Noncontributing

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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.)

- ☒ 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

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ 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
- ☐ 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.)

Agriculture

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Period of Significance

1883-1967

Significant Dates

1897

1922

1928

1962

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Waneka family members

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.)

The Waneka Farm in the Lafayette area of Boulder County, Colorado, is locally significant under Criterion A in the area of Agriculture, as an excellent example of a grain, dairy, and livestock operation, owned and operated by five generations of the Waneka family, from its establishment in 1883 through 2019. The farm is also locally significant under Criterion C in the area of Architecture, for its representation of a farm headquarters, containing diverse and intact examples of farm buildings typically found on Boulder County farms. The period of significance extends from 1883 to 1967 for Agriculture and circa 1890 to 1967 for Architecture, as limited by the ending date of the period of significance specified in the "Agricultural Resources of Boulder County" Multiple Property Documentation Form.

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

Criterion A. The 1883 Waneka Farm is significant under Criterion A in the area of Agriculture for its association with farming, ranching, and dairying in southeast Boulder County, Colorado. Beginning with German immigrant Henry Adolph Waneka, five generations of Wanekas were associated with the farm in the Lafayette area from 1883 to 2019. To meet changing agricultural market conditions, the family adapted the farm's output and added buildings and structures to the headquarters. The farm displays great continuity of uses, supporting the cultivation of grains, dairying, and livestock raising. In 1988 Charles D. "Chuck" Waneka declared: "To my knowledge there has never been a time in the last 105 years when there has not been cattle and horses on this farm. We have continuously raised wheat, barley, corn and alfalfa on our farm."¹⁶ The property was recognized as a Colorado Centennial Farm in 1987.¹⁷

The built-up headquarters area occupies half of the area of the 4.58-acre nominated parcel, with the remainder in agricultural fields that are still cultivated. This continuing agricultural use preserves the setting and feel of an agricultural operation. Contributing to the agricultural feeling is that the fact that the remainder of the quarter-section comprising the original farm is now jointly owned by Boulder County and the City of Lafayette as dedicated open space. No fence separates the two tracts of land, and the same person that cultivates part of the nominated parcel farms the rest of the quarter section. The plan is to have both parcels continue in agricultural purposes. The "Agricultural Resources of Boulder County" MPDF notes the need for integrity of location and setting and notes "losses to outlying acreage or of some of the outbuildings will likely have occurred. Nonetheless, the district must still be able to convey the area of significance – agriculture – as well as the historic period of significance."¹⁸

Waneka Farm also comprises a rare surviving farm resource in the vicinity. In 1987 journalist Glenn Johnson described recent construction of shopping centers and housing subdivisions in the Lafayette area, concluding that its "farming past is being buried under a layer of concrete, sometimes to the dismay of the city's longtime residents. Many remember a time when children walked cows down to Coal Creek and old town yards were home to chickens, mules, and other livestock."¹⁹ The city's population more than doubled from 14,548 in 1990 to 30,411 in 2020. Waneka Farm's collection of distinctly agricultural buildings and the surrounding fields are a tangible reminder of Lafayette's farming past.

¹⁶ Chuck Waneka, "Waneka, Chuck and Lois J.," profile, in *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City: Centennial History, 1889-1989*, Lafayette Historical Society (Dallas, Texas: Lafayette Historical Society and Curtis Media, 1990), 355.

¹⁷ Waneka, Colorado Centennial Farm application.

¹⁸ Deon Wolfenbarger, "Agricultural Resources of Boulder County," National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form, NRIS 64500987 (Nederland, Colorado: Three Gables Preservation, May 20, 2008), 49.

¹⁹ Glenn Johnson, "Barn Fire Brings City One More Step Away from Its Rural Farming Past," April 1, 1987.

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Criterion C. The Waneka Farm is additionally significant under Criterion C in the area of Architecture, as a very good example of a farm headquarters, reflecting materials, design, construction techniques, varieties of building types, and physical evolution over time representative of Boulder County's historic farm complexes. The buildings and structures of the headquarters exemplify the functional uses and construction methods and materials found in late nineteenth and early- to late-twentieth century farm headquarters. The headquarters also contains examples of buildings moved by the Wanekas during the period of significance from other locations and repurposed for new uses, illustrating a common practice of the era.

For both areas of significance, Waneka Farm meets the registration requirements articulated in the "Agricultural Resources of Boulder County" Multiple Property Documentation Form. The Waneka headquarters is an example of a "farm" under the "Farms, ranches, agricultural districts and rural cultural landscapes" property type: "A farm or ranch includes a grouping of individual buildings, structures and objects, as well as associated cultural landscape features including roads, drives, trees and fences."²⁰ The period of significance for Agriculture begins in 1883 and ends in 1967, as specified in the MPDF. The preparer of the MPDF chose 1967 as the ending date of the period of significance, since that was when the county and its municipalities began to acquire farmland for open space. The period of significance for Architecture begins circa 1890 (when the farmhouse was constructed) and ends in the 1960s, the year of construction of the most recent building erected. The level of significance for both areas is local.

Development History/Additional Historic Context Information

Henry Waneka: Arrival in the US and Settlement in Boulder County

German immigrant Henry Adolph Waneka²¹ arrived in 1861 in the Lafayette-Louisville area of southeastern Boulder County, where he engaged in agriculture and irrigation, operated a stage stop, and accumulated several tracts of farmland, including the quarter-section holding the Waneka Farm. Waneka was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1826 and immigrated to the United States prior to 1855. He initially settled in New Haven, Connecticut, where he worked as a carriage maker. Waneka's wife was Anna Stretz, a native of Austria. The couple had three children born in New Haven, Anna (born 1855), Henry "Boye" (born 1858), and William P. (1860).²² In 1860 Adolph Waneka (he preferred Adolph rather than Henry) became a naturalized US citizen in New Haven (see Figure 2).

In 1861 Waneka joined the many tens of thousands of goldseekers who journeyed to Colorado following the 1859 gold discovery there. Turning to agriculture, Waneka sent for his family, who traveled by mule-drawn wagon across the prairie and settled in the southeastern corner of Boulder County.²³ The Wanekas were the first settlers in the Lafayette-Louisville area. The

²⁰ Wolfenbarger, "Agricultural Resources of Boulder County," 47.

²¹ Several spellings of the surname were noted. Great-great-grandson William Waneka pronounces it WAH'-neka. Bill Waneka, interview.

²² The date and location of the marriage could not be determined.

²³ Family accounts differ as to whether Adolph initially came alone or with his entire family. In 1932, two of the couple's children recalled they came as a family unit using mule teams, whereas in 1990 great-grandson Clancy

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stacked log fences Waneka built to contain his livestock were one of the few man-made features noted in the first federal surveys of the area. Waneka (identified as Adolf Waeneche on the land documents) received government patents to 280 acres of land in southeast Boulder County (see Figure 3). He received a Cash Entry patent in 1866 for 120 acres in what is now part of Louisville, Colorado. In 1872 he acquired a Homestead Entry for 160 acres lying between Lafayette and Louisville. On the latter land he erected a two-story stone house (no longer extant), which served as a stage stop between Denver and Wyoming. Henry and Anna divorced in the 1870s.

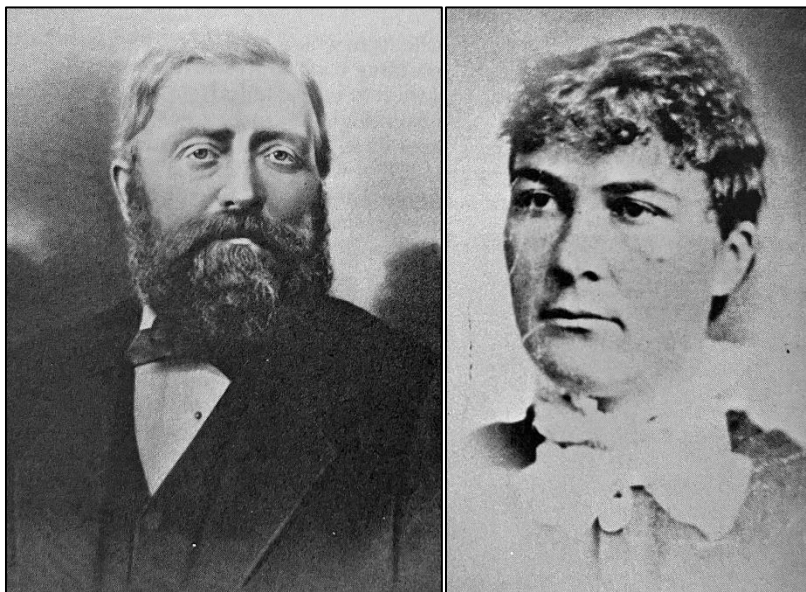


Figure 2. Henry Adolph and Anna Waneka settled in southeast Boulder County in 1861. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 356.

In 1883 Adolph purchased the 160-acre quarter section of today's Waneka Farm from the Union Pacific Railroad. Great-grandson Charles D. "Chuck" Waneka indicated the specific reasons for the purchase were unknown. It became part of Adolph's extensive agricultural holdings, and he began farming it. The main house was constructed or moved here about 1890. It is not known if Adolph lived on the farm.

When Adolph Waneka died in 1896, his property passed to his three children. An 1899 farm ownership map of Denver indicated his estate owned more than 160 acres surrounding Waneka Lake between Lafayette and Louisville, as well as the 160 acres holding the Waneka Farm (see Figure 3). Son William P. Waneka owned an L-shaped 100 acres across from the farm on the north side of Baseline Road, and daughter Anna Thomas owned the homestead land in section 10.²⁴

Waneka wrote that Henry came alone. Doug Conarroe, *Lost Lafayette, Colorado*. Charleston (South Carolina: The History Press, 2021), 21-22.

²⁴ Henry Adolf Waeneche, Cash Entry Patent, document number 307, July 20, 1866 (120 acres in Township 1S, Range 69 West, 6th Principal Meridian, Southeast ¼ Southeast ¼ of Section 8 and the East ½ Northeast ¼ Section

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children. In the same year William P., Sr. acquired the entire quarter-section holding this farm for \$10,000 from his father's estate.²⁶ The remarriage may have prompted the farm's purchase.

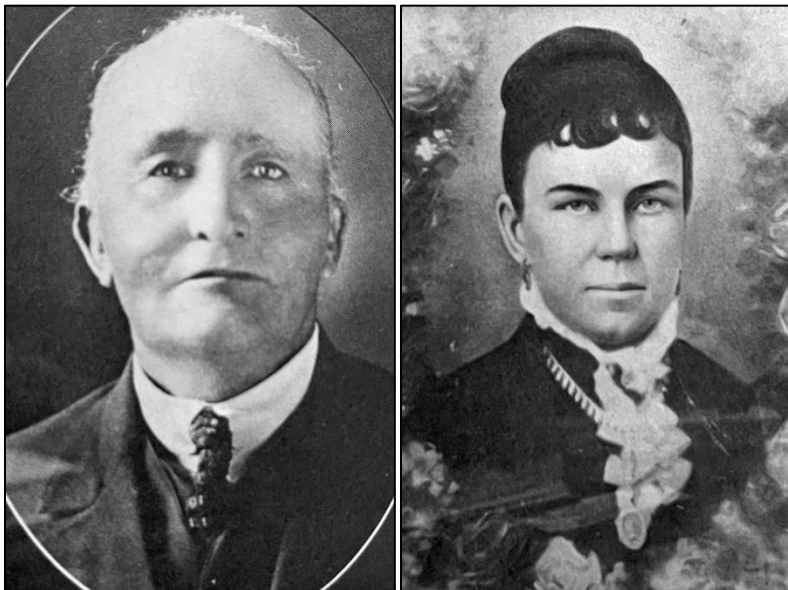


Figure 4. In 1883 William P. Waneka, Sr., married Mary C. Murphy (above). He and his second wife, Ida M. McAfee, owned the farm starting in 1897. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 359.

In addition to this farm, William P., Sr. also owned 100 acres across Baseline Road to the north, as well as other lands in the Lafayette area. Local newspaper stories reported that he grew wheat and oats, as well as raising cattle. In 1908, to overcome poor local grazing conditions, he and three other ranchers took cattle into the mountains near Ward to graze.²⁷ In the summer of 1924 Waneka sustained severe injuries in a runaway and “since that time has been practically a helpless invalid.”²⁸

Likely due to his injuries, William P., Sr. announced in November 1924 that he had rented the farmland he owned and planned to retire from farming. The public sale advertisement reveals the nature and scope of Waneka's agricultural operations. Livestock offered for sale included five horses, six hogs, and fifty chickens. Among the farm equipment available were a Fordson tractor, a farm truck, two wagons, and a cream separator. Implements listed in the advertisement indicated that Waneka raised hay, grains, and corn for silage.²⁹ When William P. Waneka, Sr. died in 1925 at age sixty-five he was described as a “pioneer resident” of the Lafayette area.³⁰

²⁶ Anna W. Thomas and Henry A. Waneka to William Waneka, warranty deed, book 197, page 196, April 16, 1897, Boulder County Clerk and Recorder, Boulder, Colorado. Anna W. Thomas was William's sister.

²⁷ *News Free Press* (Lafayette, Colorado), August 9, 1907 (wheat and oats raised) and July 24, 1908 (cattle to mountains).

²⁸ *Lafayette Leader*, October 30, 1925 (Waneka obituary). A “runaway” was a horse-drawn vehicle that had gone out of control.

²⁹ *Lafayette Leader*, November 28, 1924 (public sale advertisement).

³⁰ *Lafayette Leader*, October 30, 1925 (Waneka obituary).

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Figure 5. William P. Waneka, Jr. and Bessie (Dixon) Waneka acquired the farm in 1922, becoming the third generation on the land. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 358.



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In 1922, three years before his death, William P., Sr. sold this farm to his son, William P. Waneka, Jr., who became the third generation to run the farm. William P., Jr. was born on his father's farm near Lafayette in 1887. He grew up and worked on the family farm and attended school in town. Before acquiring this farm, in 1910 he filed on 320 acres of public land seventeen miles north of New Raymer in Weld County, Colorado. There he pursued dryland farming for seven years but found it difficult to make a living there.³¹

William and Bessie E. Dixon (1891-1979) of Louisville, Colorado, were married in 1916 (see Figure 5). The Wanekas returned to the Lafayette area in 1920, and in 1922 William paid his father \$13,277 to purchase this farm.³² William and Bessie had two sons, Wilbur N. (born 1919) and Charles D. (born 1921). The family lived on the farm, raising crops and livestock. William P. and Bessie added the concrete stave silo in 1925 or 1926. Part of what is now the bunkhouse was moved to the farm in 1927 for use as a garage and washhouse.

In April 1928 William P. Waneka, Jr. died from "pneumonia complicated by heart trouble," and the farm passed to his wife and their two sons.³³ William's premature death at age forty was an economic blow to his family, and the 1929 Great Depression's impact on the agricultural sector

³¹ Wilbur and Chuck Waneka, "Waneka, William P. and Bessie Dixon," profile, in *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City: Centennial History, 1889-1989*, Lafayette Historical Society (Dallas, Texas: Lafayette Historical Society and Curtis Media, 1990), 358-59.

³² William Waneka to William P. Waneka, warranty deed, book 479, page 76, May 24, 1922, Boulder County Clerk and Recorder, Boulder, Colorado.

³³ *Lafayette Leader*, April 13, 1928 (Waneka obituary); William P. Waneka estate, decree of heirship, book 718, page 240, July 27, 1942, Boulder County Clerk and Recorder, Boulder, Colorado. Under the decree of heirship Bessie received half-interest in the estate and each son a quarter interest.

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exacerbated their situation. Following William's death, Bessie initially rented out the farm and clerked in the Rocky Mountain Fuel Company store in Lafayette to earn money. In 1931 Bessie married Robert Kennedy of Denver, and the couple relocated to St. Louis. Charles and Wilbur remained in the Lafayette area, staying with two different sets of uncles and aunts.³⁴

Bessie's marriage ended in divorce in 1934, and she returned to Lafayette. To support the family Bessie worked in the Hub store in Lafayette for nineteen years, then at a dry goods store in Longmont, and finally at the Hub store in Louisville. William M. "Bill" Waneka, Bessie's grandson, credits her with raising two "successful men and she managed to keep the farm during the Depression and get the taxes paid."³⁵ He recalled family stories that the Wanekas supplied milk to the town creamery, sold eggs and milk to town families, and cleaned out trash pits to bring in income.

Guiding the Farm in the Twentieth Century and After: Charles D. "Chuck" and Lois Waneka

In 1935, with sons Wilbur and Chuck now older, the family decided to stop renting out the farm and operate it themselves. Charles D. "Chuck" Waneka and Wilbur N. Waneka became the fourth generation of the family to work this land. It appears that Chuck primarily shaped the farm's output and its built environment from the 1930s until his death in 2018. Chuck acquired his brother Wilbur's share of the farm in 1947. His mother transferred her interest in the land to him in 1960.³⁶ Chuck began working on the farm in his early teens, milking cattle and raising crops, while continuing to attend school. He graduated from Lafayette High School in 1939. Speaking at a local historical gathering in 1989, Chuck highlighted changes in farming during his lifetime: "Years ago everything we used had a handle on it. Everything was muscle. Today I can cover 4 ½ to 5 acres on a plow. In 1930, after a long day, we would have plowed 2 ½ acres. The object is the same, to plant and produce."³⁷

Several buildings were added to the farm headquarters in the 1930s and 1940s, including a coal shed (Resource C) and a Works Progress Administration (WPA) plan privy (Resource D) in 1937. The barn (Resource G) was erected in 1939. According to the 1999 survey form, eighteen-year-old Chuck Waneka constructed this barn in 1939 with the assistance of "Mr. Fisher (sp?), a Louisville carpenter who measured boards for Chuck to saw. All the boards were cut and then assembled, with every board fitting together as planned."³⁸ Bill Waneka recalled the building originally served as a horse barn.

In 1941 a granary (Resource O) was built in one day (see Figure 6 Granary). Chuck Waneka explained: "I had a horse fall on me and broke my ankle and I was about to build a grainery [sic],

³⁴ Waneka, "Waneka, Chuck and Lois J.," 355.

³⁵ Bill Waneka, interview.

³⁶ Glenn Johnson, "Local Farmer Receives Centennial Farm Award," September 9, 1987 (acquisition from Wilbur); Bessie Waneka to Charles D. Waneka, warranty deed, book 1163, page 416, November 22, 1960, Boulder County Clerk and Recorder, Boulder, Colorado.

³⁷ *Lafayette News*, April 12, 1989 (Chuck Waneka recollections).

³⁸ McWilliams, Waneka Farm, survey form, 1999.

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so a lot of people came down and helped. The Lions Club was involved too.”³⁹ Chuck moved a former shack for housing sugar beet workers to the farm in about 1943 and used it as a shop (no longer extant).



Figure 6. In 1941 the farm gained a new granary (Resource O, view north-northwest), built by the Wanekas, neighbors, and members of the Lafayette Lions Club. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 67.

In 1945 Chuck acquired a 26-acre former sheep ranch closer to the Lafayette townsite at 11761 East Baseline Road on the north side of the roadway. In September 1946 he married Lois Jane Regnier (1924-2016), a native of Erie, Colorado (see Figure 7). After completing her studies at Erie High School in 1942, she graduated from Central Business College in Denver. Lois then worked as a secretary in Erie for the public schools and the Erie School Board, as well as clerking at a drug store in that town. Chuck and Lois had five children, who became the fifth generation of Wanekas to live and work on this farm.

In November 1946 Lois and Chuck received plans for a house on the newly acquired parcel to the west.⁴⁰ The dwelling was completed the following year, and, thereafter, Chuck drove a half mile daily to work on this farm. His mother, Bessie, lived in the farmhouse at the northeast corner of the farm headquarters until her death in 1979.

Chuck's skill at welding and concrete work is found throughout the headquarters. Several improvements were made to the headquarters in the early 1950s. In 1951 Chuck and Wilbur Waneka built a long machine shed (Resource P) to shelter farm equipment (see Figure 8). At the same time, the bunkhouse was expanded westward. The main barn (Resource G) received a north

³⁹ *Lafayette News*, September 9, 1987 (Centennial Farm award and Chuck Waneka recollections).

⁴⁰ *Lafayette Leader*, December 13, 1946 (plans for new house).

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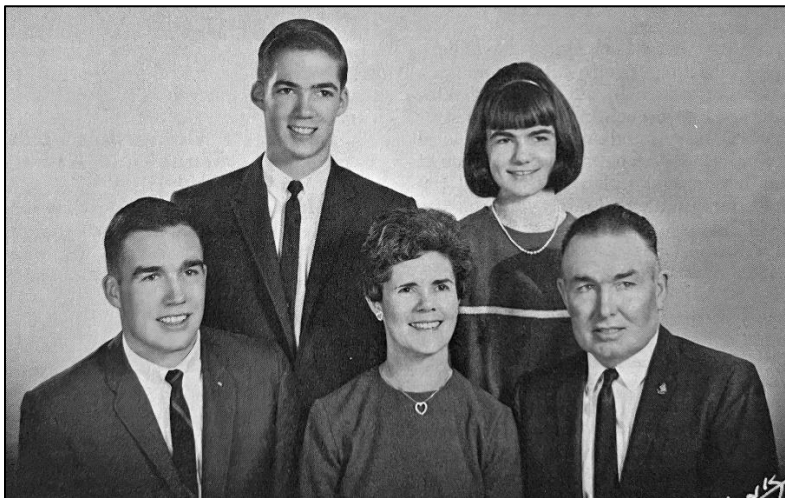


Figure 7. Following William P. Waneka, Jr.'s death in 1928, his widow Bessie and sons Wilbur and Charles "Chuck" (the fourth generation of Wanekas) assumed operation of the farm in the 1930s. Chuck (lower right) and wife Lois (center) eventually became the sole owners and guided the farm until Chuck's death in 2018. Their children, William, Mark, and Marilyn (left to right) were the fifth generation of the family to work the land while growing up. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 355.

addition in 1953, changing its function from a horse barn to a milking parlor to support expanded dairying operations. In addition to raising grains and corn, the Wanekas operated a dairy from the 1930s until 1962, first using the cow barn (Resource J) for milking. The 1953 changes to the barn produced the first surge pipeline dairy barn in northern Colorado.⁴¹ Son Bill Waneka explained that cows entered the north addition and ascended a ramp to a milking station in the original part of the barn. A large loafing shed (Resource H) attached to the west wall of the barn was also completed in 1953. The Wanekas constructed a feedlot west of the animal care area in the 1950s (no longer extant), as well as moving in the south loafing shed (Resource K).

During the 1950s and 1960s, the Waneka children were active in high school sports and in 4H. Son Bill Waneka recalled those years: "During my childhood and throughout my high school and college years, I helped my Father on our family farm. After graduation from college, I began my own farming operation on several farms in the Lafayette and Erie area, leased from various owners."⁴² He currently lives in Wyoming.

In about 1960 Chuck Waneka decided to stop dairying and transitioned to raising beef cattle. To support this function a large corral (Resource L) was constructed about 1960-61. The family also

⁴¹ Bill Waneka interview.

⁴² William Waneka, "Waneka, Bill and Trish," profile, in *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City: Centennial History, 1889-1989*, Lafayette Historical Society (Dallas, Texas: Lafayette Historical Society and Curtis Media, 1990), 353.

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Figure 8. These Boulder County Assessor appraisal card photographs show several of the farm buildings in the early 1950s: top, view southwest, house (Resource A), left, with the chicken house (Resource E) and barn (Resource G) to right; center, view southeast, bunkhouse (Resource B), left, and coal shed (Resource C), right; and bottom, view southwest, machine shed (Resource P), rear and east wall. SOURCE: Boulder County Assessor, property, appraisal cards, circa 1952, on file Carnegie Library for Local History, Boulder, Colorado.

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grazed cattle in the Rocky Flats area of Jefferson County.⁴³ The house (Resource A) finally received running water in 1965.

Most of the physical changes to the farm in the late-1960s and early-1970s were undertaken to expand its grain and silage storage capacity. The Wanekas stored grain raised here and on other farmland they leased. In 1968 a large bunker silo (Resource T) was built at the southeast corner of the headquarters to store corn for silage. Three metal Butler grain bins were added at the east end of the storage/utility area in 1975 (Resources R and S) to hold wheat or barley.⁴⁴ In 1973 a garage at the Waneka residence to the west was moved here and repurposed as a truck garage (Resource Q). Chuck and Bill Waneka used a truck to haul the building down Baseline Road to the headquarters, then used jacks to place it on a tall concrete perimeter wall foundation. A 1981 oblique aerial photograph shows the headquarters essentially as it is today (see Figure 9). A small oil shed (Resource M) was added in 1989.

Later Developments

In 1987 the Waneka Farm became one of the first group of agricultural properties to be recognized as a “Colorado Centennial Farm,” denoting a farm or ranch that has remained continuously in the same family for at least one hundred years and still operates as a working farm or ranch.⁴⁵ In 2015 Chuck Waneka, surveying acres of wheat being harvested on the farm, reflected on the family’s ability to survive the Great Depression and their subsequent decades in farming: “We’ve never done anything spectacular. We were just staying alive.”⁴⁶ Chuck Waneka continued to work the farm until his death in 2018 at age ninety-seven; Lois predeceased him in 2016. The family took the final harvest from the farm in 2019.

Between 1973 and 2009 the farm passed through various forms of ownership controlled by the family, including a trust, partnership, and finally a limited liability company (LLC). William M. “Bill” Waneka served as manager of the LLC. In November 2019 the City of Lafayette acquired the 4.58 acres of the farm headquarters, and the city and Boulder County jointly purchased the rest of the farm. The jointly owned property is dedicated open space protected by a county conservation easement. It is farmed by Waneka descendant, Keith Bateman, who grows dryland crops and sells hay to local farmers, and plans call for this agricultural use to continue.⁴⁷

⁴³ Bill Waneka interview.

⁴⁴ One grain bin is no longer extant.

⁴⁵ Additionally, farms or ranches must have a minimum of 160 acres, or, if less than 160 acres, must gross at least \$1,000 in annual sales.

⁴⁶ *Colorado Hometown Weekly*, July 16, 2015.

⁴⁷ Lexie Sierra-Martinez, Open Space Superintendent, City of Lafayette, to Thomas H. Simmons, email, April 29, 2025; *Lafayette News*, May 10, 2006 (development plan). Open space is protected by the Lafayette Charter, which specifies that no dedicated open space can be repurposed for any use without going to a vote of the people. In 2006 Chuck Waneka, arguing that farming was no longer profitable, contracted to sell the farmland to a developer. The public outcry revealed residents support for agricultural open space, and the plan did not go forward.

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Figure 9. This oblique aerial photograph (view northwest) shows the headquarters area of the farm in July 1981. The building cluster exhibits few changes since that date. The fenced feedlot to the west is now gone, as is the center Butler grain bin; a small oil shed (Resource M) was added to the west end of the utility/storage area. SOURCE: Lafayette Historical Society, *Lafayette, Colorado, Treeless Plain to Thriving City* (1989), 110.

The farm headquarters is now operated by the City of Lafayette as the Waneka Centennial Farm. In the years since its acquisition, the city has completed beautification and enhancement projects, including the placing of native plants to make the farm a more pollinator friendly space. Lafayette Open Space Superintendent Lexie Sierra-Martinez explained that the city has “regular youth programming at the farm where we discuss the history, make apple cider from the historic apple tree, plant trees and shrubs, remove weeds, and clean up litter from Highway 7 [Baseline Road].”⁴⁸ Waneka Farm remains as a vivid example to current residents of the farming history of Lafayette and southeast Boulder County.

⁴⁸ Lexie Sierra-Martinez, Open Space Superintendent, City of Lafayette, to Thomas H. Simmons, email, April 18, 2025.

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Primary location of additional data:

☒ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☐ Local government
☐ University
☐ Other
Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): 5BL1994

10. Geographical Data

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Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

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Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

1. Latitude: 39.999660 Longitude: -105.070707

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4. Latitude: Longitude:

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

☐ NAD 1927 or ☒ NAD 1983

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

The nominated area consists of all of Boulder County Assessor parcel number 157501000027. The legal description appears in a warranty deed recorded November 21, 2019, wherein CDA 1, LLC sold the property to the City of Lafayette (reception number 03750274): a tract of land located in the NW ¼ of Section 1, T1S, R69W of the 6th P.M., County of Boulder, State of Colorado, described as follows: commencing at the SW corner of Section 36, T1N, R69W, from which the SW ¼ of said Section 36 bears N89°36'53"E, 2643.35' (basis of bearing), thence N89°36'53"E, 776.21' along the south line of the SW ¼ of said Section 36 to the NW corner of said Section 1; thence S0°23'00"EE, 50.00' along the west line of the NW ¼ of said Section 1 to the southerly right-of-way line of State Highway 7 and the point of beginning; thence N89°36'53"E, 496.28' along the southerly right-of-way line of said State Highway 7 to an angle point thereof; thence S63°49'07"E, 55.90' along the southerly right-of-way line of said State Highway 7 to an angle point thereof; thence S0°23'00", 341.82' parallel with the west line of the NW ¼ of said Section 1; thence S89°36'53"W, 546.27' parallel with the southerly right-of-way line of said State Highway 7 to the west line of the NW ¼ of said Section 1; thence N0°23'00"W, 366.82' along the west line of the NW ¼ of said Section 1 to the point of beginning.

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Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The nominated area includes all of the land historically associated with the headquarters of the Waneka Farm and more than two acres of surrounding cultivated farm fields. Fields formerly associated with the farm to the south and east are now owned jointly by the City of Lafayette and Boulder County as open space and continue in agricultural uses.

11. Form Prepared By

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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 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, 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

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City or Vicinity: Lafayette vicinity

County: Boulder

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Photographer: Thomas H. Simmons

Date Photographed: April 2025

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

- 1 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from East Baseline Road. View southwest.
- 2 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from the field to the east. View west-northwest.
- 3 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from the field to the southwest. View northeast.
- 4 of 59. Overview of the residential area with the house (Resource A) to the left and the chicken house (Resource E) to the right. View southeast.
- 5 of 59. Windmill tower southwest of the house (Resource A). View northeast.
- 6 of 59. Overview of the yard west of the house and bunkhouse, with the chicken house at the far right. View southwest.
- 7 of 59. Overview of northern part of the livestock care area, with the barn (Resource G), loafing shed (Resource H), and silo (Resource I), right to left. View northwest.
- 8 of 59. The southern part of the livestock care area, with the corral (Resource L), south loafing shed (Resource K), and cow barn (Resource J), left to right. View southwest.
- 9 of 59. Overview of west part of the utility/storage area, with the oil shed (Resource M), garage (Resource N), and granary (Resource O), left to right. View northeast.
- 10 of 59. Overview of east part of the utility/storage area, with the east and west grain bins (Resources S and R, respectively), the truck garage (Resource Q), and machine shed (resource P), right to left. View northwest.
- 11 of 59. House (resource A). View southwest.
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- 13 of 59. House (Resource A), with bulkhead door to left. View north-northwest.
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- 15 of 59. Bunkhouse (Resource B). View northwest.
- 16 of 59. Bunkhouse (Resource B). View west-southwest.
- 17 of 59. Coal shed (Resource C). View southeast.
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- 19 of 59. Privy (Resource D). View northwest.
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- 26 of 59. Barn (Resource G). View northwest.
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- 29 of 59. Barn (Resource G), interior 1953 addition. View east-northeast.
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- 34 of 59. North loafing shed (Resource H), interior, showing post worn by cattle rubbing. View east-northeast.
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Location Map: Vicinity

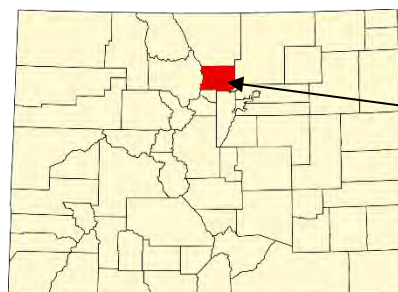


The black and white square inside the Waneka Farm boundary indicates the location of the UTM point for the nominated resource, which has the following coordinates:

Latitude: 39.999660

Longitude: -105.070707

Image Date: September 4, 2023



State Perspective:
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Location Map: Resource

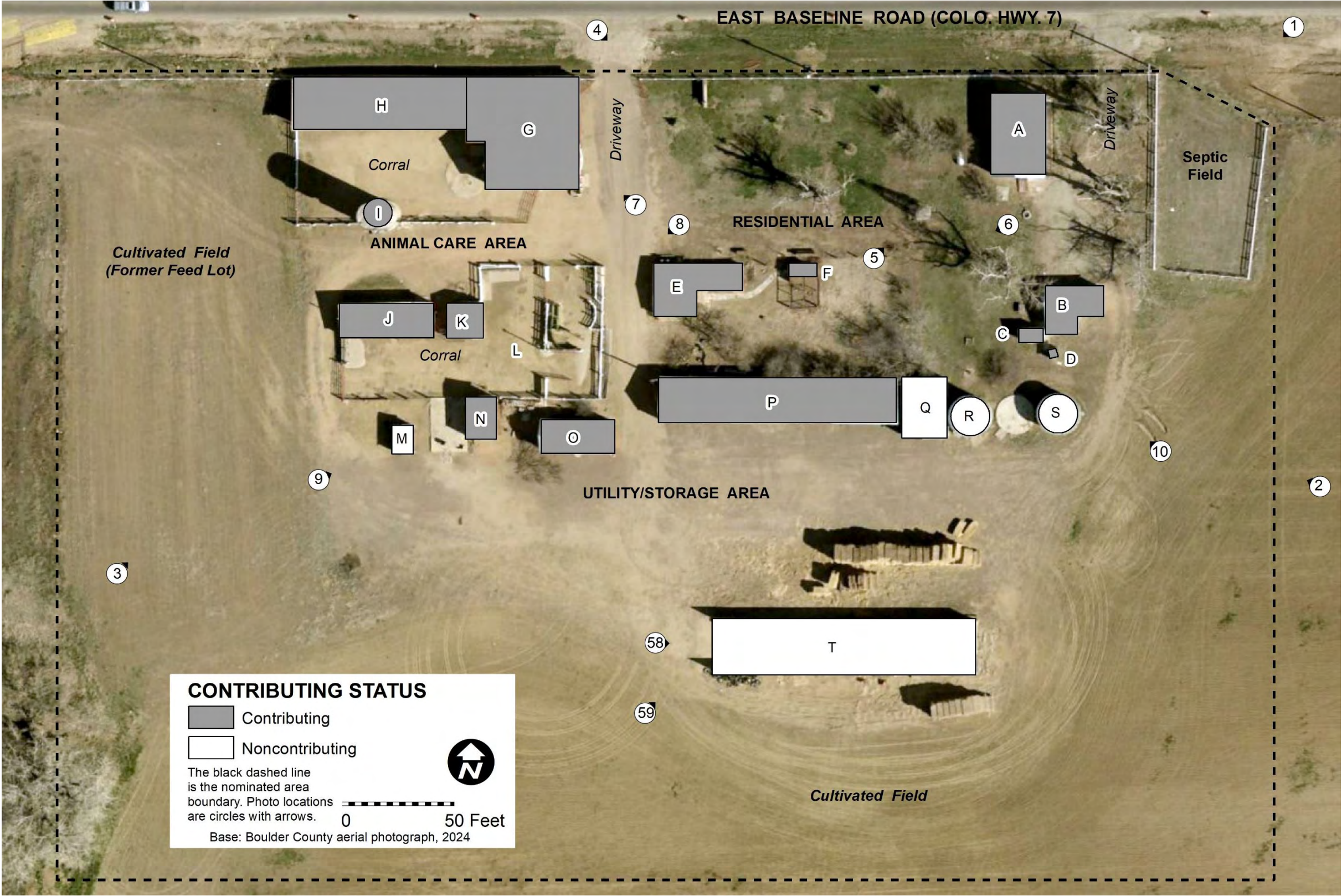


This location map shows the boundary (solid black line) of the nominated area for the Waneke Farm. Base: Google Earth aerial image, September 3, 2024.

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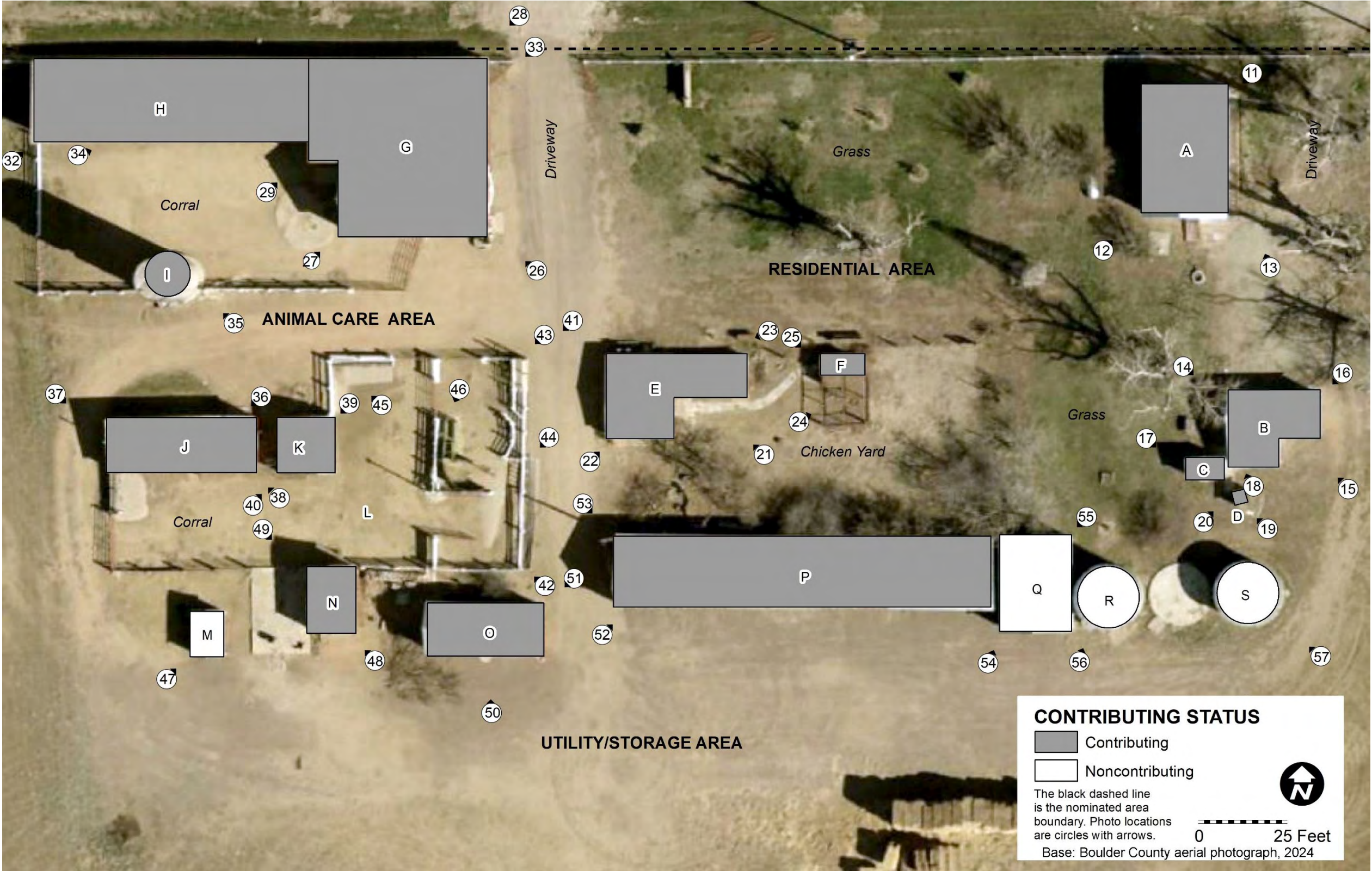
Sketch Map: Overview



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Sketch Map: Detail



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1 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from East Baseline Road. View southwest.



2 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from the field to the east. View west-northwest.

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3 of 59. Overview of the farm headquarters from the field to the southwest. View northeast.



4 of 59. Overview of the residential area with the house (Resource A) to the left and the chicken house (Resource E) to the right. View southeast.

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5 of 59. Windmill tower southwest of the house (Resource A). View northeast.

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6 of 59. Overview of the yard west of the house and bunkhouse, with the chicken house at the far right. View southwest.



7 of 59. Overview of northern part of the livestock care area, with the barn (Resource G), loafing shed (Resource H), and silo (Resource I), right to left. View northwest.

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8 of 59. The southern part of the livestock care area, with the corral (Resource L), south loafing shed (Resource K), and cow barn (Resource J), left to right. View southwest.



9 of 59. Overview of west part of the utility/storage area, with the oil shed (Resource M), garage (Resource N), and granary (Resource O), left to right. View northeast.

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10 of 59. Overview of the east part of the utility/storage area, with the east and west grain bins (Resources S and R, respectively), the truck garage (Resource Q), and machine shed (resource P), right to left. View northwest.



11 of 59. House (resource A). View southwest.

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12 of 59. House (resource A). View northeast.



13 of 59. House (Resource A), with bulkhead door to left. View north-northwest.

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14 of 59. Bunkhouse (Resource B). View southeast.



15 of 59. Bunkhouse (Resource B). View northwest.

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16 of 59. Bunkhouse (Resource B). View west-southwest.



17 of 59. Coal shed (Resource C). View southeast.

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18 of 59. Coal shed (Resource C). View north-northwest.



19 of 59. Privy (Resource D). View northwest.

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20 of 59. Privy (Resource D). View northeast.



21 of 59. Chicken house (Resource E). View northwest.

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22 of 59. Chicken house (Resource E). View northeast.



23 of 59. Chicken house (Resource E). View west-southwest.

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24 of 59. Pheasant/wildlife house (Resource F). View east-northeast.



25 of 59. Pheasant/wildlife house (Resource F). View southeast.

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26 of 59. Barn (Resource G). View northwest.



27 of 59. Barn (Resource G). View northeast.

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28 of 59. Barn (Resource G). View southwest.



29 of 59. Barn (Resource G), interior 1953 addition. View northeast.

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30 of 59. Barn (Resource G), interior 1953 addition. View east-southeast.



31 of 59. Barn (Resource G), interior 1953 addition. View southeast.

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32 of 59. North loafing shed (Resource H). View northeast.



33 of 59. North loafing shed (Resource H) to right; barn to left. View southwest.

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34 of 59. North loafing shed (Resource H), interior, showing post worn by cattle rubbing. View east-northeast.

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35 of 59. Concrete stave silo (Resource I). View northwest.

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36 of 59. Cow barn (Resource J). View southwest.



37 of 59. Cow barn (Resource J). View southeast.

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38 of 59. Cow barn (Resource J). View northwest.



39 of 59. South loafing shed (Resource K). View southwest.

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40 of 59. South loafing shed (Resource K). View northeast.



41 of 59. Corral (Resource L), east and north sides. View southwest.

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42 of 59. Corral (Resource L), east and south sides. View northwest.



43 of 59. Corral (Resource L), loading chute at northeast corner. View southwest.

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44 of 59. Corral (Resource L), feeding trough on east side. View southwest.



45 of 59. Corral (Resource L), feeding trough at northwest corner. View northwest.

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46 of 59. Corral (Resource L), squeeze chute in east section. View south-southwest.



47 of 59. Oil shed (Resource M). View northeast.

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48 of 59. Garage (Resource N). View northwest.



49 of 59. Garage (Resource N). View southeast.

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50 of 59. Granary (Resource O). View north.



51 of 59. Granary (Resource O). View southwest.

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52 of 59. Machine shed (Resource P). View northeast.



53 of 59. Machine shed (Resource P). View southeast.

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54 of 59. Truck garage (Resource Q). View north-northeast.



55 of 59. Truck garage (Resource Q). View southwest.

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56 of 59. West Butler grain bin (Resource R). View north-northeast.



57 of 59. East Butler grain bin (Resource S). View northwest.

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