

Other Listings
Review Code

Reviewer

Date

Page 1 of 4 *Resource Name or # (Assigned by recorder): Rev. Pollard Ranch House
P1. Other identifier: HP-88-01

*P2. Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted

*a. County Santa Clara County

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a location map as necessary.)

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad Cupertino Date 1980 Photorevised T .8 S. ; R .1 W. ; Mount Diablo B.M.

c. Address: 20271 Merrick Dr. City Saratoga Zip 95070
d. UTM:(give more than one for large and/or linear resources) Zone 10S ; mE/ mN

e. Other Locational Data: (e.g., parcel #, directions to resource, elevation, etc., as appropriate)

north side of Merrick Drive east of Calle Tacuba.

APN# 393-42-069

*P3a. Description: (Describe resource and its major elements, include design, material, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries)

This house sits on a secluded knoll and is barely visible from the public right-of-way and aerial views. City records indicate that when the house was identified, it was surrounded by nearly 40 fruit trees of every variety, providing physical, landscaping associations with the agricultural history of the property. The house was described as one story in the front and two stories in the rear, with the main living area over a basement. The structure features a shallow-pitched hipped roof with decorative brackets at the eaves. A wide front porch roof extends out from the house just below the brackets. Horizontal board siding and casement windows add to the pioneer style of the house. A family room was added to the rear, tying the tank house to the main residence. The house and property are located near the center of a block, with single-family houses facing outward on all four sides.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP2. Single family property

*P4. Resources Present: Building Structure Object Site District Element of District Other (Isolates, etc.)



P5b. Description of Photo:
(View, date, accession #)
View facing north, July 2009.

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:

Historic Prehistoric Both
c1880, 129 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:

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20271 Merrick Dr.
Saratoga CA 95070

*P8. Recorded By: (Name,
affiliation, and address)

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*P9. Date Recorded: 10/26/09

*P10. Survey Type: (Describe)

Reconnaissance

*P11. Report Citation: (Cite survey report and other sources, or enter "none".)

Archives & Architecture: City of Saratoga Statement of Historic Context, 2009.

*Attachments:

- None Continuation Sheet District Record Rock Art Record Other (List):
 Location Map Building, Structure, and Object Record Linear Feature Record Artifact Record
 Sketch Map Archaeological Record Milling Station Record Photograph Record

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* Required Information

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***NRHP/CRHR Status Code** 5S3

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) Rev. Pollard Ranch House

B1. Historic Name: Reverend Pollard Ranch House

B2. Common Name: 20271 Merrick Dr.

B3. Original Use: Single family residential

B4. Present Use: Single family residential

***B5. Architectural Style:** National (Pioneer)

***B6. Construction History:** (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)

Constructed circa 1880. Veranda added in 1940's, family room added to rear in 1960's, tankhouse converted to bedrooms.

***B7. Moved?** No Yes Unknown **Date:** n/a

Original Location: n/a

***B8. Related Features:**

None known.

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

***B10. Significance: Theme** Architecture

Area: Triangle South

Period of Significance: 1880

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: None

(Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period and geographic scope. Also address integrity.)

The Rev. Pollard Ranch House is listed on the Saratoga Heritage Resources Inventory, included as a part of HP-88-01. It qualified under Criteria a and b:

- a) the property exemplifies and reflects special elements of the cultural, social, economic, aesthetic, and architectural history of Saratoga; and
- c) the property embodies distinctive characteristics of the Craftsman style, type and period;

The Rev. Pollard Ranch House House may be eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources under Criterion (3), however, because the buildings are not viewable from the public right-of-way, a determination cannot be made at this time.

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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) None

***B12. References:**

Saratoga Heritage Preservation Commission, Historic Resources Inventory form, 1988.

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)

B13. Remarks: Listed Heritage Resource

***B14. Evaluator:** Franklin Maggi

***Date of Evaluation:** October 26, 2009

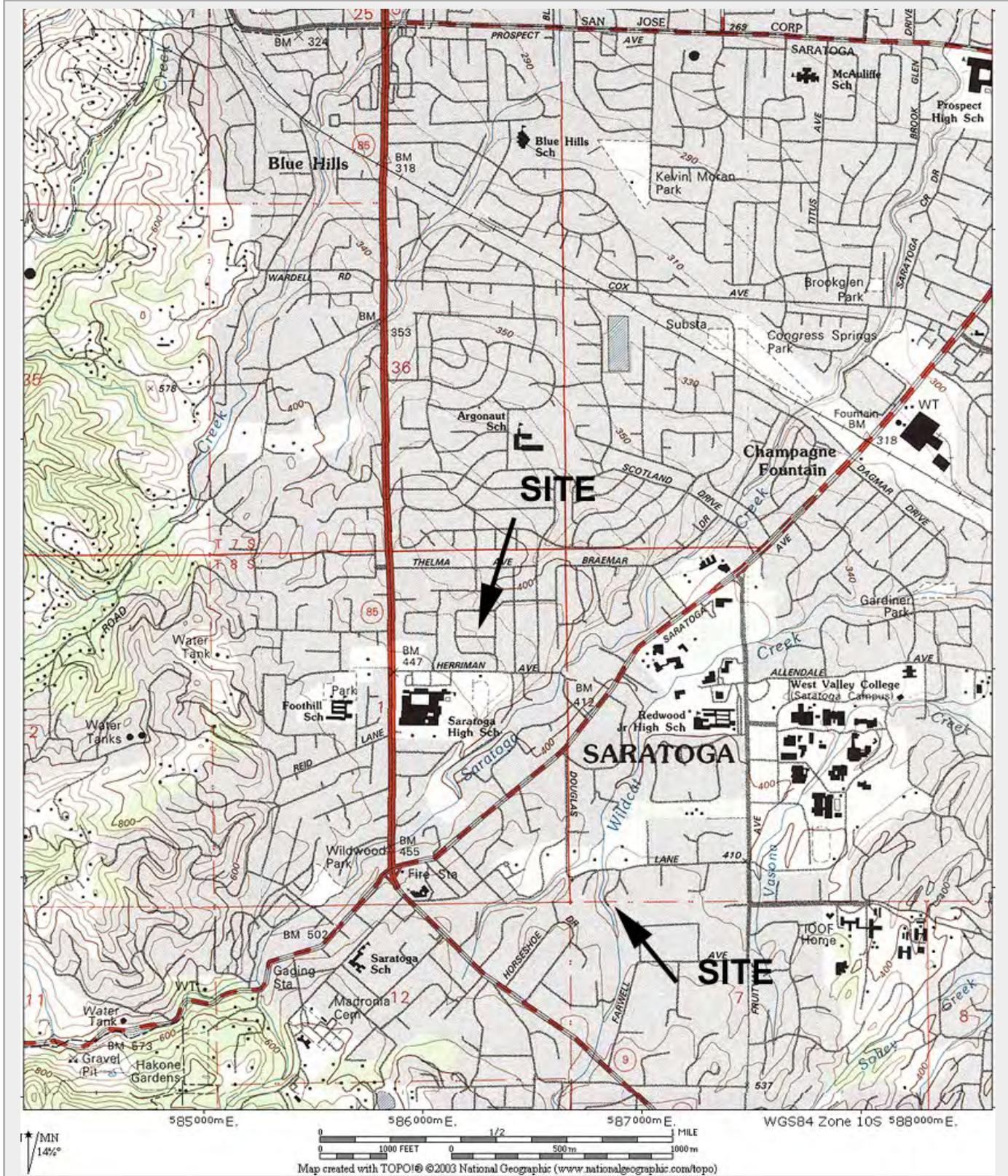
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* Map Name: Multiple

* Scale: n.t.s.

* Date of Map: Varies



CONTINUATION SHEET

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* Recorded By F. Maggi, L. Dill, & J. Kusz * Date 10/26/2009 Continuation Update

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Historical Background

Rev. W. D. Pollard was an early Saratoga minister, school teacher and orchardist. Along with William Rice, another orchardist, and the Disciples of Christ, Rev. Pollard established the local Christian Church in 1878. Within two years, it had its own building on Lumber Street (now Big Basin Way), just beyond the Clef House building. Pollard and Rice planted some of the first orchards in Saratoga in 1876; they planted an uncommon fruit at the time, the French prune. This house was the original farmhouse for the 40-acre ranch. The property is now less than two acres in size and is surrounded by newer subdivisions.

Integrity

The integrity of this property cannot be determined for this survey.