

State of California - The Resources Agency
 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

Primary #
 HRI #

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*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 5S3

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) Hutchinson Building

- B1. Historic Name: Hutchinson Building
 B2. Common Name: 14495 Big Basin Way
 B3. Original Use: Retail and meeting hall
 B4. Present Use: Retail commercial

*B5. Architectural Style: No style

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

Constructed in 1884. Reconditioned stucco walls; upper story windows

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

*B8. Related Features:

None

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: John Hutchinson

*B10. Significance: Theme Commerce

Area: Saratoga Village

Period of Significance: 1884

Property Type: Commercial

Applicable Criteria: None

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

The Hutchinson Building House is listed on the Saratoga Heritage Resources Inventory, included as a part of HP-88-01. It qualified under Criteria a and c:

- a) the property exemplifies and reflects special elements of the cultural, social, economic, aesthetic, and architectural history of Saratoga; and
- e) the property contributes to the unique physical characteristics of The Village.

The Hutchinson Building does not appear eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources, as it lacks adequate integrity to the original design for it to distinctively represent the era in which it was built.

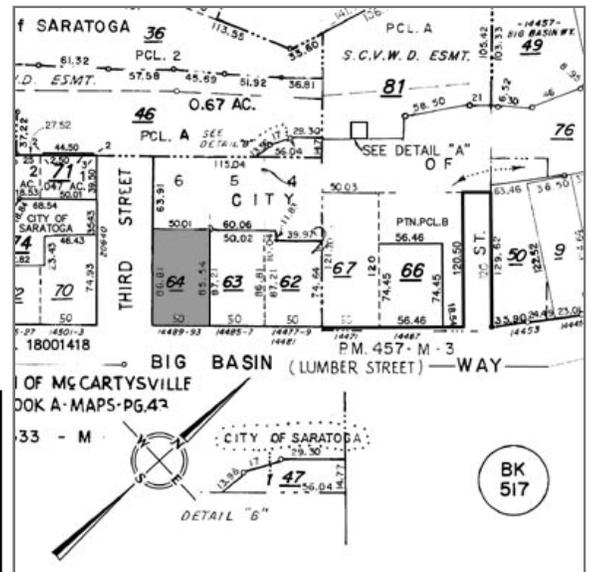
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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) HP13. Community center / social hall

*B12. References:

Foot, H., *Pen Pictures from the Garden of the World*, 1888.
 Saratoga Heritage Preservation Commission, Historic Resources Inventory form, 1988.

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)

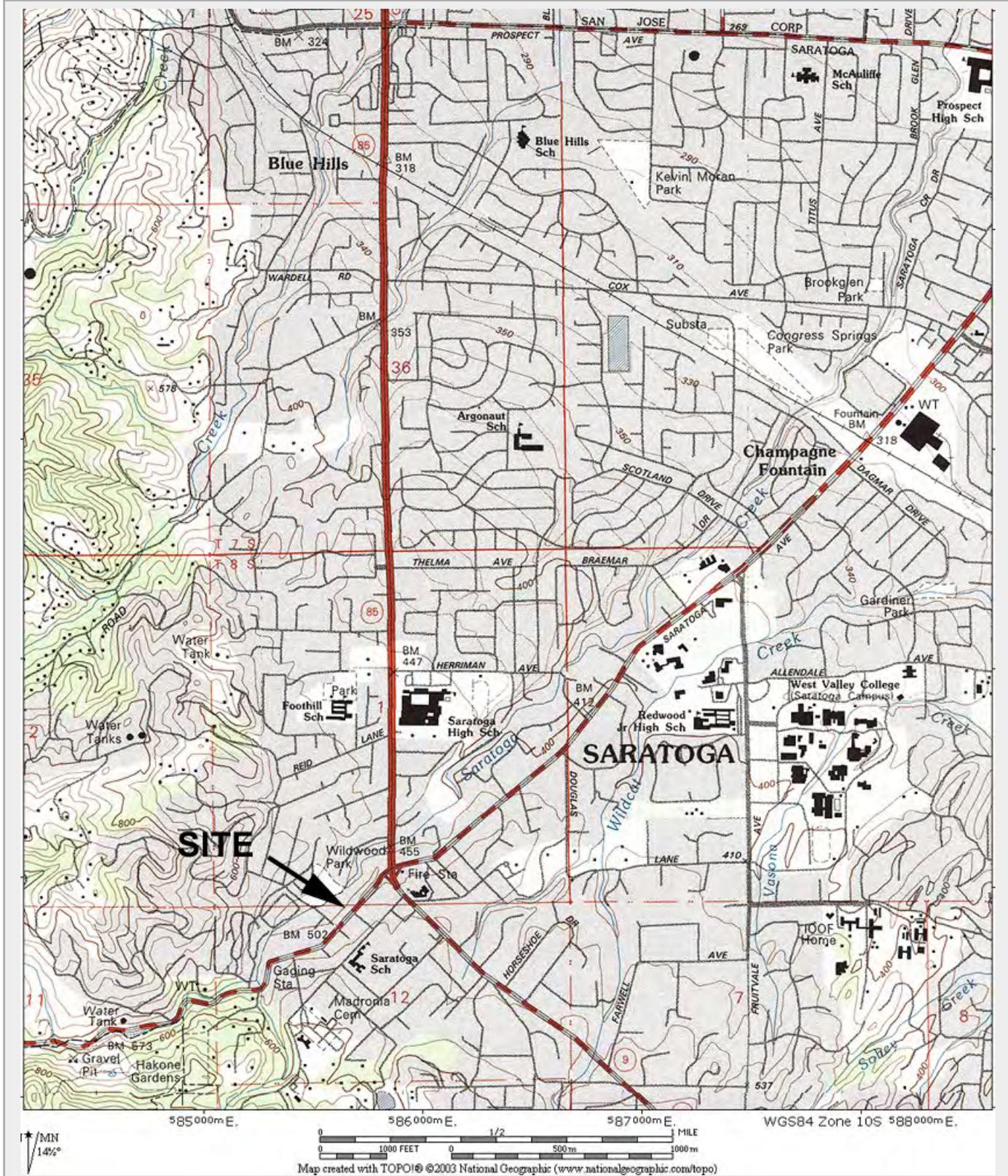


B13. Remarks: Listed Heritage Resource

*B14. Evaluator: Franklin Maggi

*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)



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

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Historical Background

This is one of two commercial buildings in the Saratoga Village built by John Hutchinson in 1884. He built this building along with another commercial building at 14501 Big Basin Way.

Hutchinson, born in Columbia County, George in 1921, was a farmer who came to McCartysville from Texas in 1852. He established a farm north of McCartsville, and also for a while engaged in lumbering. In 1856 he acquired an interest in a lime kiln about 1/2 mile south of McCartysville, later buying out the company and pre-empted 160 acres of land on which it was located. By 1859 he had ceased production, and turned his attention to clearing the land and farmed his acreage. In 1868, Hutchinson married Matilda Potter, a native of Illinois. In 1884, a few years following her early death, he sold what remained of his 160 acres, and moved to downtown Saratoga where he engaged in the mercantile business. It was at this time that he built the Hutchinson Building, a two-story structure based on thick limestone exterior walls on the first floor and wood frame construction of the second floor. The first floor was occupied by Oldham Meat Market, and the upper floor served as a meeting hall called Hutchinson's Hall. In 1886, Hutchinson was appointed Postmaster, and the following year he ceased operating his business.

Integrity

The building retains important original stone structural materials and workmanship, as well as maintaining its historic location within Saratoga Village; however, the overall building design, materials, and workmanship were altered significantly in the twentieth century and only some of the historic associations and feelings are preserved in this property.