

State of California - The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #
HRI #
Trinomial
NRHP Status Code

Other Listings
Review Code

Reviewer

Date

Page 1 of 4 *Resource Name or # (Assigned by recorder): E.M. Cunningham 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 Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted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 .2 W. ; Mount Diablo B.M.

c. Address: 14075 Saratoga Ave. 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)

northwest side of Saratoga Avenue southwest of Shadow Oaks Way. APN# 397-25-100

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

This one-story cottage typifies a National-style Victorian farmhouse design. The form features a truncated-hipped main roof accented by a projecting gabled wing and an inset porch. Centered in the gable is a Mansard roof over a square bay window. The house is clad in channel-rustic siding while the gable end features fishscale and diamond-cut shingles. The bargeboards have applied jigsaw patterns and wood buttons; the motif is carried into the frieze of the bay window. The bay window is built up of flat panels; its focal window includes leaded glass. At the corners of the house, bay window, and porch, curving corbels support the eaves. The hipped porch roof is supported by turned columns accented by a cutwork leaf pattern spandrel and jigsaw fan brackets. Fenestration consists of 1/1 double-hung windows. Part of the side porch to the left is original; it was extended to add a garage underneath. A restored water tower exists to the side of the house. The adjacent house incorporates the former carriage house.

*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 northwest, July 2009.

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:

Historic Prehistoric Both
1882, 127 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:

Fines Family Trust et al
14075 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga CA 95070

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

F. Maggi, L. Dill, & J. Kusz
Archives & Architecture, LLC
PO Box 1332
San Jose, CA 95109

*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

DPR 523A (1/95)

* Required Information

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*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 3CS

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) E.M. Cunningham House

B1. Historic Name: E.M. Cunningham House

B2. Common Name: 14075 Saratoga Ave.

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 about 1882. House extended, garage added.

*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: Heritage Lane

Period of Significance: c1882

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: (3)

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

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

- a) the property exemplifies and reflects special elements of the cultural, social, economic, aesthetic, and architectural history of Saratoga;
- b) the property is identified with persons significant in local history;
- c) the property embodies distinctive characteristics of the Queen Anne style, type and period; and
- e) the property embodies unique physical characteristics that represent an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood.

The E.M. Cunningham House also appears eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources under Criteria (2) and (3), as the house embodies the distinctive characteristics of the National house-type from Saratoga's period of *Horticultural Development*, and is associated with persons important to Saratoga's past.

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

*B12. References:

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

B13. Remarks: Listed Heritage Resource

*B14. Evaluator: Franklin Maggi

*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)

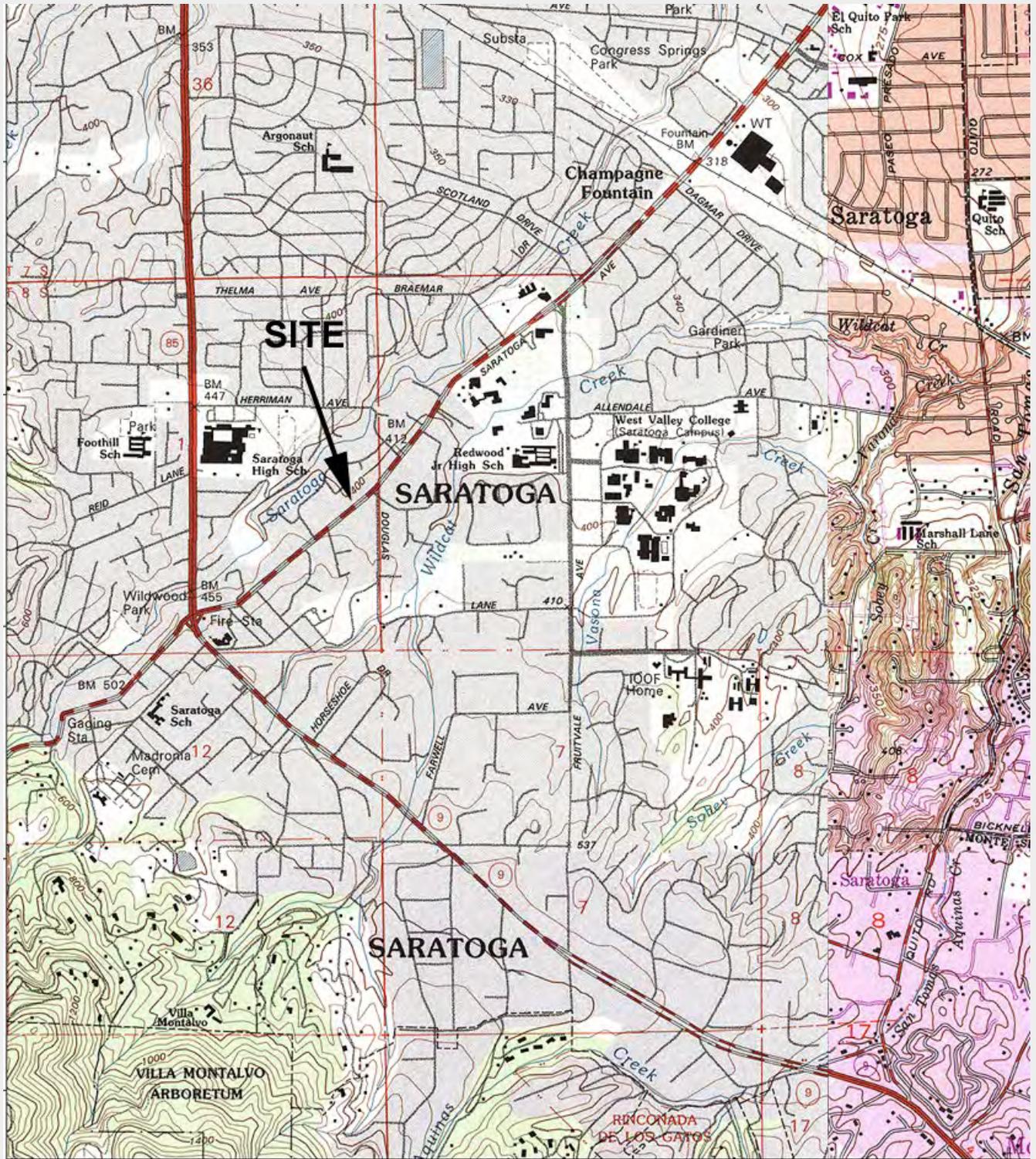
(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)



* Map Name: Multiple

* Scale: n.t.s.

* Date of Map: Varies



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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

This house was built by Ebenezer M. Cunningham in 1882. He and his wife Amanda had previously lived in Suisun Valley in Solano County. They were charter members of the Methodist Church in Saratoga and active in building the community. Mr. Cunningham was a trustee of Madronia Cemetery and instrumental in the formation of a cemetery district. His son, Charles, wrote a complete history of Madronia Cemetery in 1961 and is also remembered for his early participation in founding the Men's Club in 1921 which then aided young boys in Saratoga. The Cunningham daughter, Florence, was educated as a teacher with an avocation in historical research on the Santa Clara Valley. She served as chair of the history and landmarks committee of the Saratoga Foothill Club and was instrumental in forming the Saratoga Historical Foundation in 1960. Her legacy to the Saratoga community was her book *Saratoga's First Hundred Years*, published in 1967.

Integrity

The house retains its architectural design, workmanship and materials, as well as a compatible setting and original location, and the property continues to embody the historical associations and feelings of this residence.