

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): El Terrado Stone Wall

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 Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted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: 20400 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd. 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)

 southwest side of Saratoga-Los Gatos Road southeast of Oak Street. APN# 517-10-015

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

This wall is built of native creek stone and serves as a retaining wall to support the properties and walkway above the roadway of State Route 9, Saratoga-Los Gatos Road. The wall is terraced, with three walls in some areas, and extends from Aloha Avenue toward the northwest, in front of three properties. From maps it appears that the wall is on Caltrans property for the first 282 feet from the southeast and then on the Our Lady of Fatima property (20400 Saratoga-Los Gatos Road) for the balance (approximately 292 feet). The original wall had a set of brick steps that led from the road to the center of the former Montgomery residence, these were closed in the mid-1930's. There is a metal railing and concrete walk, built in 1972, at the top of the main wall to provide safety for pedestrians using the walkway.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP46. Walls/gates/fences

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



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

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:
 Historic Prehistoric Both
 c1903, about 96 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:
 Our Lady of Fatima Villa, Inc.
 20400 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd.
 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

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*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 5S3

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) El Terrado Stone Wall

B1. Historic Name: T. S. Montgomery property stone wall

B2. Common Name: 20400 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd.

B3. Original Use: Retaining wall

B4. Present Use: Retaining wall

*B5. Architectural Style: n/a

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

Constructed circa 1903. Original stairs removed and wall filled in flush with front.

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

Original Location: n/a

*B8. Related Features:

None

B9a. Architect: n/a

b. Builder: Unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme Architecture

Area: Glen Una

Period of Significance: c1913

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.)

El Terrado Stone Wall is listed on the Saratoga Heritage Resources Inventory, included as a part of HP-88-01. It qualified under Criteria a, b and d:

- 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;
- d) the property is representative of notable craft.

El Terrado Stone Wall does not appears eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources, as the associated residence is no longer extant.

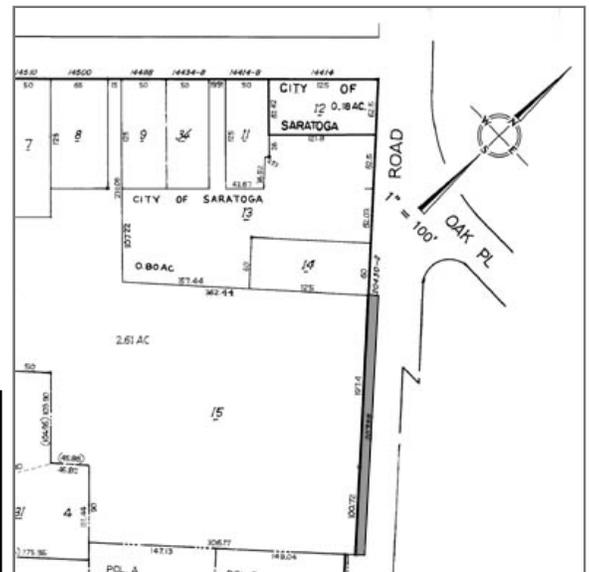
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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) None

*B12. References:

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

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)

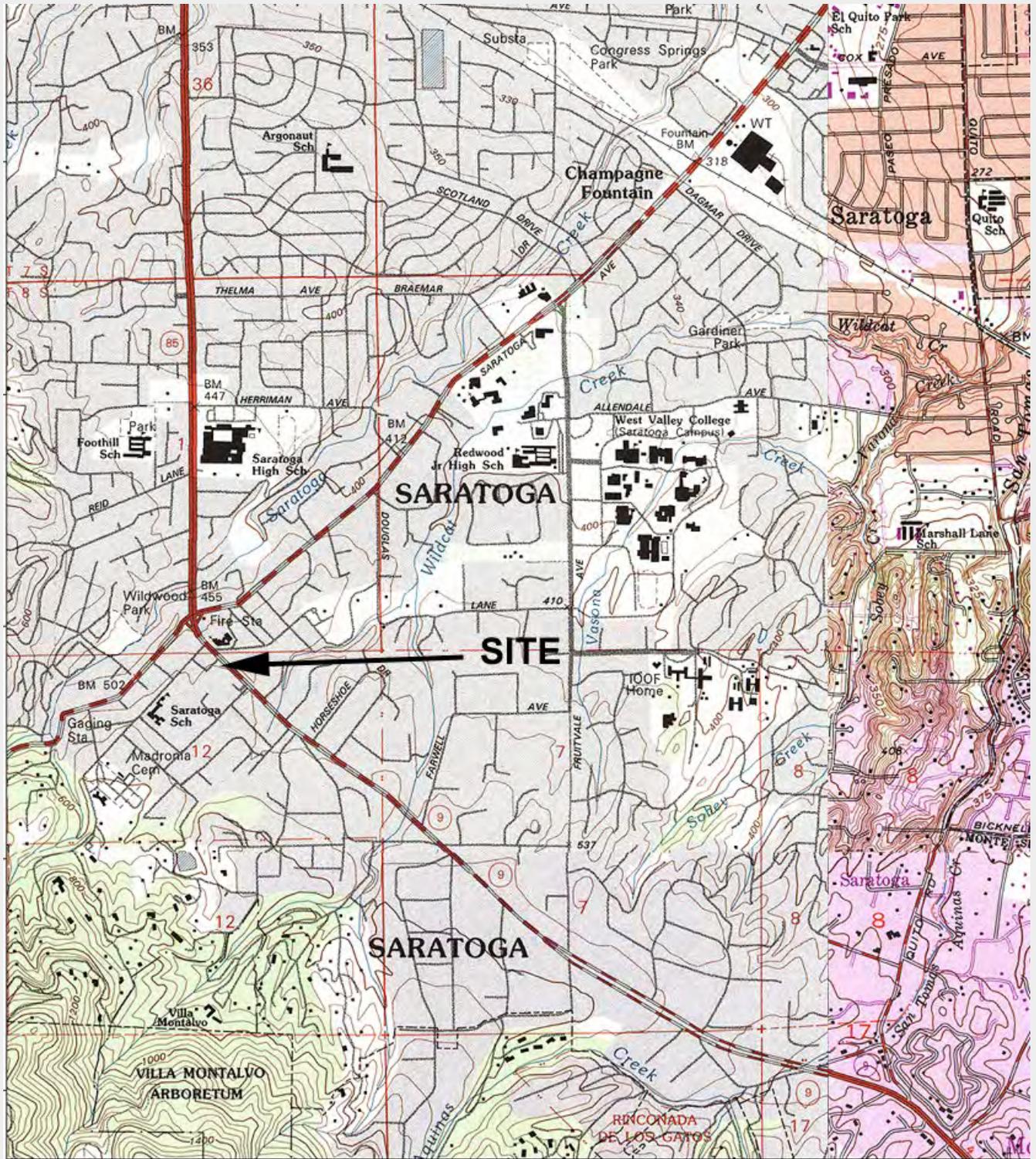


B13. Remarks: Listed Heritage Resource

*B14. Evaluator: Franklin Maggi

*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)



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586000m E. 587000m E. 588000m E. 589000m E. WGS84 Zone 10S
0 1000 FEET 0 500m 3000m
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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

T.S. Montgomery, well known developer and realtor of San Jose, purchased this property around 1900 for his summer home. Los Gatos-Saratoga Road was a narrow dirt road for horse and buggy use at that time. When the San Jose and Los Gatos Interurban Railway Company (later known as the Peninsular Railroad Co.) developed the line from Los Gatos to Saratoga, additional width for the roadway was necessary. Mr. George Wood, owner of the house across the road, and Mr. Montgomery were asked to dedicate 10' of their property for this widening. Montgomery built the stone wall at his original property line instead of the new property line because it served as a retaining wall for his lot. The interurban railroad came into Saratoga on the east side of Los Gatos-Saratoga Road, with the first cars arriving in 1904. It is believed that the stone wall was constructed from creek stones from the Saratoga Creek, delivered in construction wagons. Mr. Montgomery is also known in Saratoga for his development of the La Paloma Terrace subdivision in 1915.

Integrity

The retaining wall retains its design, workmanship and materials, as well as a compatible setting and original location, and it continues to embody the historical associations and feelings of the structure.