

State of California - The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Ser. No
Nat. Register Status 5 (s1)

IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Local designation

1. Historic name None
- *2. Common or current name Shepherd's Fold
- *3. Number & street 1324 El Rancho Cross-corridor
City Santa Cruz Vicinity only Zip 95060 County Santa Cruz
4. UTM zone A B C D
5. Quad map No. Parcel No. 067-223-03 Other

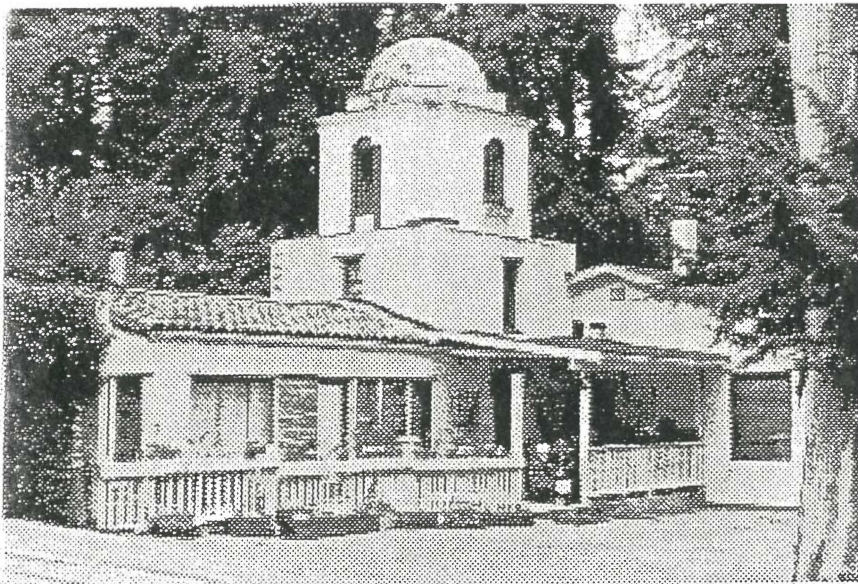
DESCRIPTION

6. Property category building If district, number of documented resources

*7. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the property, including condition, boundaries, related features, surroundings, and (if appropriate) architectural style.

Two structures compose the Shepherd's Fold site both built in the Mission Revival and Spanish Colonial Revival style. The first structure is a long rectangular plan building with an octagonal tower at one end and a small cross gable addition at the center point of the long rectangle. The building is stucco with a gable red tile roof, except the two story tower which has an octagonal roof. Windows are small and randomly spaced, with heavy stucco sills. Two chimneys, one interior and one exterior, project from the roof.

The second structure is a single story small rectangular plan building with an ornate domed bell tower attached. A small addition has been built on the side of the bell tower. Although no major structural changes have been made to the buildings, there is some deterioration due to weathering.



8. Planning agency County Planning
9. Owner & address
Tower Lodge Corporation
1324 El Rancho Drive
Santa Cruz, CA 95060
10. Type of ownership private
11. Present use commercial/residen.
12. Zoning R-1-2ac
13. Threats deterioration, neglect

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HISTORICAL INFORMATION

- *14. Construction date(s) 1929 A Original location same Date moved
- 15. Alterations & date addition to side of bell tower (date unknown) Does not compromise basic integrity of structure.
- 16. Architect unknown Builder Unknown
- 17. Historic attributes (with number from list) 05-Hotel/Motel

SIGNIFICANCE AND EVALUATION

- 18. Context for evaluation: Theme Economic Development (Tourism) Area Santa Cruz County
 Period 1850-1940 Property type motel/resort Context formally developed? Yes
- *19. Briefly discuss the property's importance within the context. Use historical and architectural analysis as appropriate. Compare with similar properties.

The tourist industry in the Santa Cruz Mountains began in the 1880s when visitors took the railroad from San Jose, San Francisco or other parts of California to enjoy the "Big Trees." During that time, large destination resorts were the rule along with some tent and church camps. As the automobile became more popular, the large resorts began to disappear and were replaced with more camps, motor courts and motels. These catered to middle class families who preferred overnight or weekend stays to long vacations. Although a few of the original tourist camps can still be found in the mountains, this property is one of the last remaining examples of the type of roadhouse and bar that appealed to travelers passing through the area for a short trip.

Architecturally, it represents the Mission Revival and Spanish Colonial Revival styles popular during the 1920s and 1930s. Although the style can be seen extensively in residential areas of the city of Santa Cruz, in the unincorporated county, it appears predominantly in commercial and institutional buildings. This property is an excellent representation of Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival as adapted for commercial buildings.

20. Sources

County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources
 S.C. County Historical Resources Commission and Planning Dept., 1989.

County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources Update and Context Statement.

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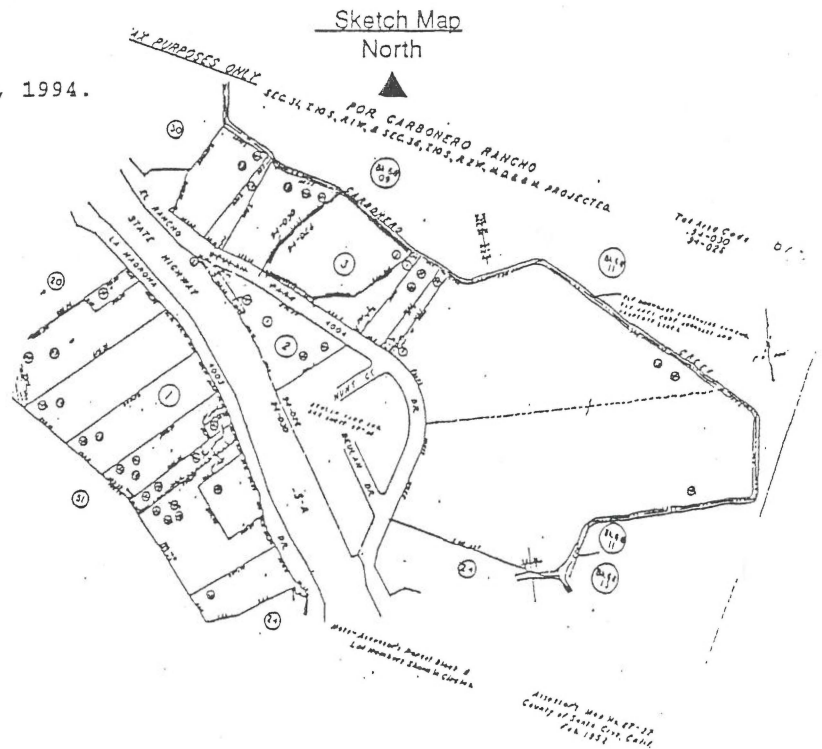
21 Applicable National Register criteria NA

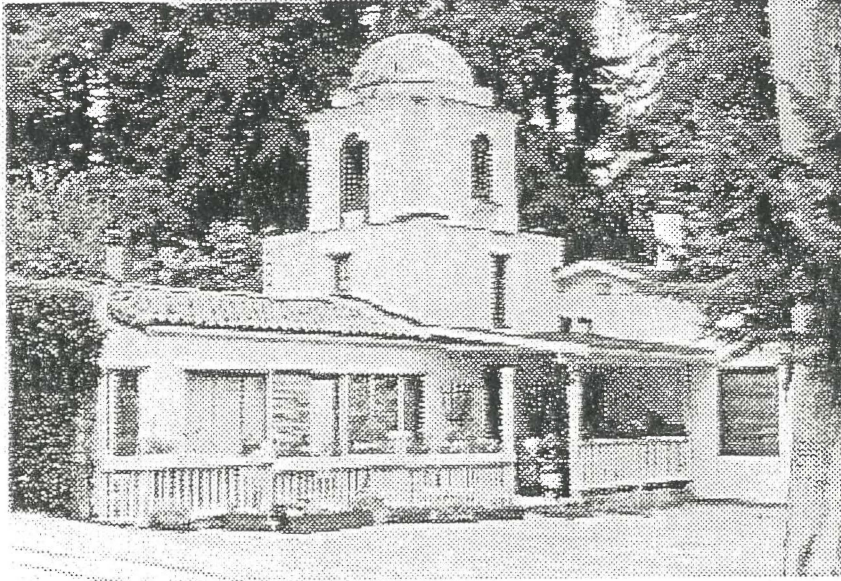
22 Other recognition NA
 State Landmark No. (if applicable)

24. Survey type Comprehensive

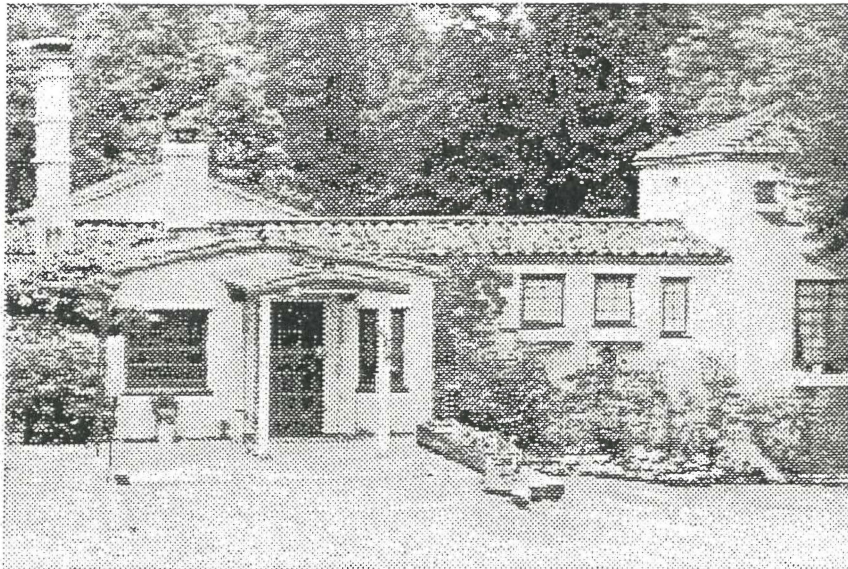
25. Survey name County of Santa Cruz Survey of Historic Resources Update

*26. Year form prepared 1995
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Shepherd's Fold View 1



Shepherd's Fold View 2

The Shepherd's Fold (1324 El Rancho)

ADDENDUM—1994

PHYSICAL INSPECTION

Date: November 17, 1993

Result of Inspection: No apparent changes.

CONSULTANT'S PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Should be changed to a 5 because of association with Context 1 (Tourism) and Context 2 (Architecture). This is a good example of the early tourist court that were common in the 1920s and 30s. It is also an imaginative adaptation of Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival Architecture for commercial use.

(Change of rating pending public hearing before the Historical Resources Commission with final approval by the Board of Supervisors).

Context: 1 (tourism), 2 (Architecture)

Property type: roadhouse, motel

