

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

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Local Designation

Ser No. \_\_\_\_\_

National Reg. Status 5S3

1. Historic Name Brown/Aldridge Home

\*2. Common or current name Same

\*3. Number and Street 428 Browns Valley Rd Cross Corridor NA

City Corralitos Vicinity only NA Zip 95076 County Santa Cruz

4. UTM zone A B C D

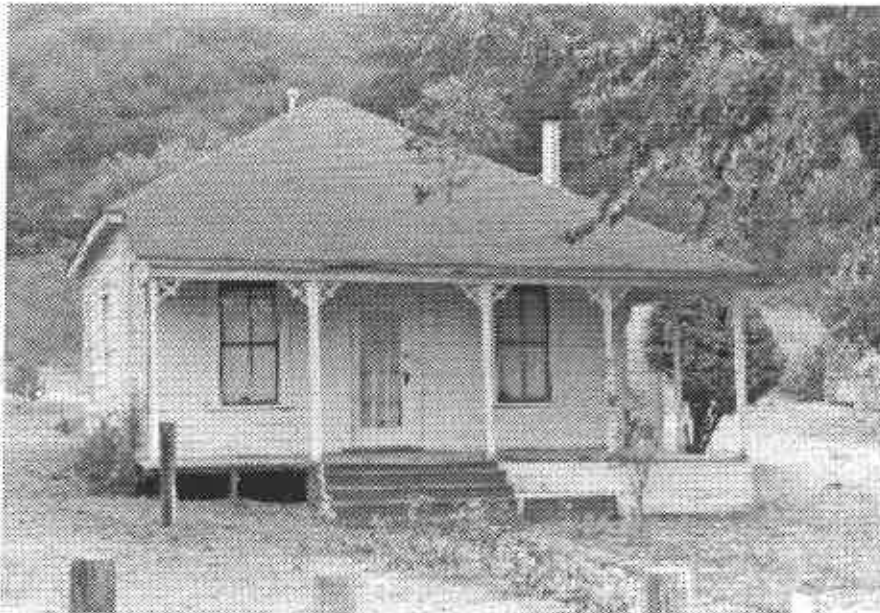
5. Quad map No. \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel No. 107-131-29 Other \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

6. Property category residence If district, number of documented resources NA

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

The design of this house is vernacular with a number of additions. The front has a hipped roof with a wrap around, raised porch and French doors at the side elevations. The top of the front porch is trimmed with fish scale decorative ends and Eastlake stickwork. Windows are wooden frame double hung with four panes. Several additions to the rear of the structure were built at various times including two shed additions and a closed in rear porch.



8. Planning agency

9. Owner and Address

Delbert, Rosemarie Heschback  
742 San Miguel Canyon Rd.  
Corralitos, CA 95976

10. Type Ownership Private

11. Present Use non-comm.

12. Zoning R-R Rural-Resid.

13. Threats none

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**HISTORICAL INFORMATION**

\*14. Construction date(s) 1890 E Original location Same Date moved NA

15. Alterations & date unknown

16. Architect none Builder unknown

17. Historic attributes (with number with number from list) 02 (Single Family Property)

**SIGNIFICANCE AND EVALUATION**

18. Context for evaluation: Theme architecture Area Santa Cruz County  
Period 1850-1940 Property type single family property 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.

Local lore holds that this property belonged to the family of Isaiah Brown who, according to some historical accounts, gave his name to Browns Valley and Browns Valley Road. The family was known for its association with the lumber and milling industries in the area. No direct documentary evidence has been found to connect the family with the existing structure although an 1880 Thomas Wright survey map shows parcels of Brown and his partner Halstead in the immediate vicinity.

Architecturally the structure is a good example of vernacular farm/ranch house common to the area. No similar properties in the Eureka Canyon or Pajaro Valley General Plan Area are listed in the historic resources inventory. Although the house shows evidence of various additions to the original building, this is consistent with the practice of adding to a basic structure as family needs changed and money and materials became available for construction. The integrity of the setting of this property adds to its historical value by conveying the feeling associated with rural ranching/farming structures.

20. Sources

Corralitos, Judy Pybrum Malmin published by author 1982.  
Field guide to American Houses, V. McAlister New York:Knopf 1988.

21. Applicable National Register criteria NA

22. Other recognition NA  
State landmark No. NA

23. Evaluator Susan Lehmann  
Date of evaluation 5-1-95

24. Survey type Comprehensive

25. Survey name S.C.Coun.Hist. Res. Inventory

\*26. Year form prepared 1995  
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