

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

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Local Designation

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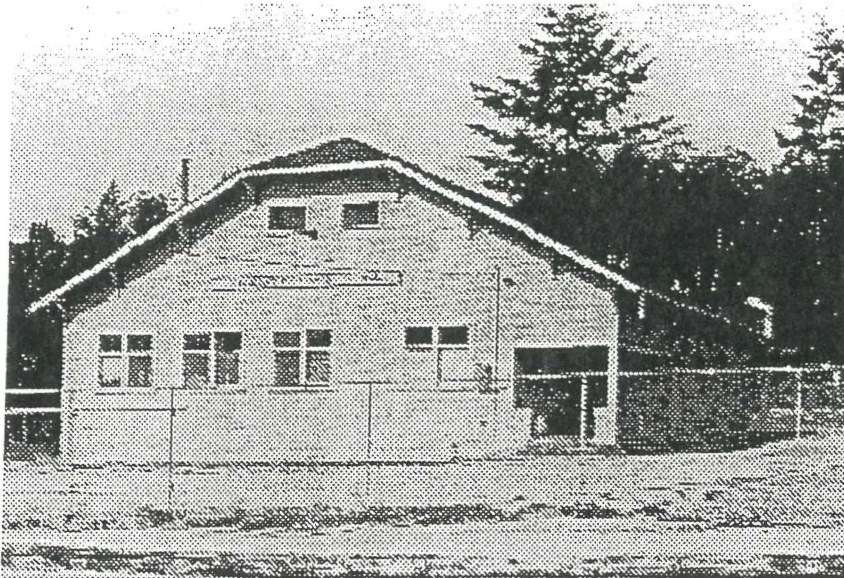
National Reg. Status 553

1. Historic Name Corralitos Grange No. 487
- *2. Common or current name Same
- *3. Number and Street 30 Aldridge Lane 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. APN 108-071-59 Other _____

DESCRIPTION

6. Property category building 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 Corralitos Grange Hall is a large one and a half story wood frame, rectangular plan building with horizontal wood siding. The jerkin head roof has triangular knee braces and is clad in composition shingles. A recessed porch at the corner shelters the main entrance. The wood frame windows are transomed and placed asymmetrically in all elevations. Although utilitarian in style and construction, the building shows some elements of Craftsman styling in its roof line and window treatments. The building is in excellent condition and does not appear to be altered. It is surrounded by a chain link fence and there is no landscaping.



8. Planning agency

9. Owner and Address Corralitos
Grange 487

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1317 Hames Road
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10. Type Ownership Private

11. Present Use non-comm.

12. Zoning R-1-15

13. Threats none

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HISTORICAL INFORMATION

- *14. Construction date(s) 1935 F Original location Same Date moved NA
- 15. Alterations & date unknown
- 16. Architect none Builder unknown
- 17. Historic attributes (with number with number from list) 13-grange hall

SIGNIFICANCE AND EVALUATION

- 18. Context for evaluation: Theme Institutions (Fraternal Organizations) Area Santa Cruz County
 Period 1850-1940 Property type social hall 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.

Built in 1935, the Corralitos Grange Hall functioned as the primary community social center for over thirty years. The Grange, or Patrons of Husbandry is a social and educational organization for farmers and their families founded in Washington D. C. in 1867. Although it became a powerful political force for agricultural interests in the late 1800s, by the time Corralitos Grange No. 487 was established in 1932, the organization was once more primarily social in nature. Local lodges constructed buildings for their activities and the grange hall became a common feature of farming communities throughout the country. The Corralitos Grange Hall was built by the community and provided a much needed space for community activities such as Saturday night dances, barbecues, youth activities. The hall was even used for Corralitos school assemblies. By 1960 community activities had become more diverse and regular activities at the Hall became more infrequent. The hall is now rented to local organizations and private parties for meetings and social events. Although it no longer functions as the community's center, it is still regarded with affection and fond memories by long time Corralitos residents.

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 _____

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 1993
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