

NDCRS ARCHITECTURAL FORM

PAGE 1

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Field Code WCWP-008

SITS# 32 GF 3667

Map Quad Niagara

Site Name Russel School (District #76-2)

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City: _____

Street Number: _____

Street Name: 16th Ave NE

Urban Legal Description: _____

Total Number of **Architectural** Features: 1

Fieldwork Date: 11/21/2022

Reconnaissance Survey

Intensive Survey

Project & Principal Investigator:

Whiskey Creek Wind Project Architectural - Wade Burns (PI)

Contracting Firm or Agency Completing the Form:

Beaver Creek Archaeology, Inc.

Additional Information:

SHSND USE

Component _____ Study Unit _____ Verified Site _____ CR Type _____

Component _____

Component _____

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PAGE 2 – Feature Data

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Complete one Page 2 for each architectural feature at the site.

Architectural Feature # 1

Construction Date 1898

Feature Date _____

Structural System _____

Original Owner's Ethnicity _____

Feature Type _____

Context _____

Primary Exterior _____

Secondary Exterior _____

Condition Good

Plan Shape Polygonal

Style _____

Architect/Builder _____

Foundation _____ Stories _____

Roof/Cornice _____

Window Window openings altered

Dating Method(s) "Moraine Township: Historical and Descriptive, 1881-1910"

Miscellaneous Information _____

Feature Preservation Recommendation(s) (Check all that apply):

- Individual nomination
- Contributes to a potential district
- No nomination potential
- Will not contribute to a district
- Potential district—feature would be a contributing element if other properties constitute a district
- Thematic nomination potential
- Component of a historic site or landscape
- Moved (specify all applicable choices)—a) relocation occurred within a historic period; b) recreates original site, orientation, landscape, and spatial relationships; c) compatible in context with neighboring structures; d) relocation has damaged eligibility
- Historical associations require further investigation

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NDCRS ARCHITECTURAL FORM**PAGE 3 – Feature Data****UPDATE****Field Code** WCWP-008**SITS# 32 GF** 3667**Complete one Page 3 for each architectural feature at the site.****1. Feature Description, Integrity, Eligibility:**

Feature 1 is the Russel School, also known as School No. 2 of Moraine Township School District No. 76. It was first recorded in 2016 by Kathy Wilner during the "County Schoohouse Project." The 1910 booklet "Moraine Township: Historical and Descriptive, 1881-1910," by Henry Vernon Arnold, states that the school was constructed in this location in 1898 (Arnold 1910:67).

In the years since Wilner first documented Feature 1, the building's north-facing window has been removed and filled in with wooden siding, and the entire building has been repainted red with white trim around the windows and doors. Damaged wooden siding at the bottom east corner of the north facade also appears to have been patched in. No other alterations were apparent.

The siding in and possible removal of the building's north facade window constitutes a negative impact on the feature's integrity of materials, design, and workmanship. However, much of its historic material appears to remain intact, and its strength of integrity of location, association, and feeling as a rural school give it overall historic integrity. Feature 1 is potentially eligible for the NRHP under Criterion C as an extant example of its age and type, and it is also potentially eligible under Criterion A for historical associations with rural education in North Dakota and Grand Forks County.

2. Owner's Contact Information:

Elizabeth Ann Georgeson, Marie Georgeson, et al.
3936 157th Ave SE
Durbin, ND 58059-9643

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NDCRS ARCHITECTURAL FORM**PAGE 4 – Site Description****UPDATE****Field Code** WCWP-008**SITS# 32 GF** 36673. Site Area (ft²): 3,229

4. Description of Access and Site Setting:

The site is located approximately 0.2 miles west of the intersection of 16th Avenue NE and 47th Street, approximately 100' south of 16th Avenue NE and 72' east of a driveway on the south side of 16th Avenue NE.

5. Summary of ALL Site Features and Evaluation of Significance:

The site consists of one historic feature: the Russel School, a historic school house (Feature 1).

A 1951 Grand Forks Atlas identifies Feature 1 with a schoolhouse symbol and the name "#76-2." A booklet written in 1910 by Henry Vernon Arnold, "Moraine Township: Historical and Descriptive, 1881-1910," states that School District No. 76 was organized in Moraine Township in 1885, and that the district's first school house was built in Section 11 the same year and moved to Section 23 in 1890 (Arnold 1910:47, 52). Feature 1 is the district's second school house, constructed "on the northeast quarter of Section 17 in 1898 and this has since been known as the Russell school house" (Arnold 1910:67). According to Arnold, it was known as the Russell School because James Russell owned the land at the time of its construction. Russell was a Larimore railroad division superintendent who purchased "a number of quarter-sections west of School Section 16" in the mid-1890s. Russell ultimately used this land as an unsuccessful stock farm, which he sold to the Elk Valley Bank around 1900 (Arnold 1910:64). In 1904, Christian Christianson purchased the "headquarters" of the Russell Farm and established his own farming business (Arnold 1910:75). Grand Forks atlases show Christianson (1909) and Christianson's estate (1927) in possession of the north half of quarter 17. A 1951 atlas shows Richard and Marie Georgeson in possession of the north half of quarter 17. As ownership of the land has changed, the school house has remained in its original location into the present day.

Because the site has not been fully documented, it is recommended unevaluated for the NRHP. However, Feature 1 appears to possess the historic integrity, architectural distinction, and historical significance necessary for potential eligibility for the NRHP under Criteria A and C.

6. References/Comments:

Arnold, Henry Vernon. "Moraine Township: Historical and Descriptive, 1881-1910" (<https://digitalhorizonsonline.org/digital/collection/ndsl-books/id/55451>)

Digital Horizons (<https://digitalhorizonsonline.org/>)

Google Earth

Historic Aerials (<https://www.historicaerials.com/viewer>)

Historic Mapworks (<https://www.historicmapworks.com/>)

North Dakota Map & Aerial Photography Dissemination Service (<https://aerial.dwr.nd.gov/>)

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Figure 1: Feature 1, view to the southwest.



Figure 2: Feature 1, view to the south.

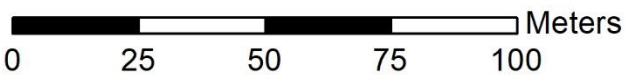



Figure 3: Feature 1, view to the southeast.

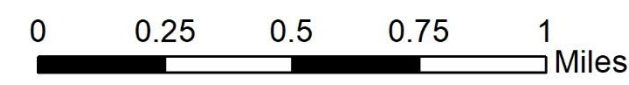
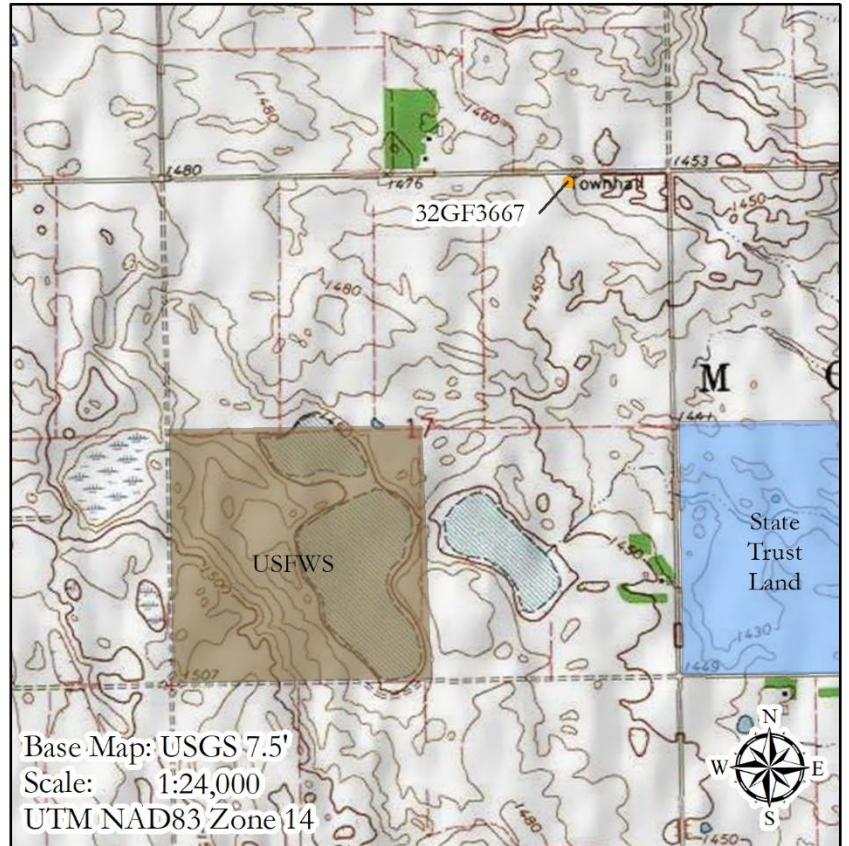


Beaver Creek ARCHAEOLOGY

32GF3667 Update
UTM: 586,389 E ; 5,306,254 N
T151N R56W Sec. 17
Niagara Quad. Map, Goose River Drainage
Grand Forks County, North Dakota



Legend
 Site Boundary (300 Sq. meters)



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SITE IDENTIFICATION

Field Code Moraine Township School Site Name _____

Map Quad Niagara Site Name _____

Map Quad _____

LTL	TWP	<u>151</u>	R	<u>56</u>	SEC	<u>17</u>	QQQ	<u>8</u>	QQ	<u>5</u>	Q	<u>5</u>
LTL	TWP	_____	R	_____	SEC	_____	QQQ	_____	QQ	_____	Q	_____
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SITE DATA

Total # *Architectural* Features: 1

Fieldwork Date: 9/19/2016

Reconnaissance Survey Intensive Survey

Project Title & Supervisor:
Country Schoolhouse Project

Report Title & Author(s): _____

Additional Information: _____

SHSND USE
 Area of Significance 2 Ecozone 16 Verified Site 1 CR Type 2
 Area of Significance _____ Ecozone _____ Non-Site _____
 Area of Significance _____

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Complete one Page 2 for each architectural feature at the site.

Architectural Feature # 1

Construction Date _____

Feature Type 9Condition 6Feature Date 2Context 7Plan Shape 5Structural System 25Primary Exterior 26Style Other Style

Original Owner's Ethnicity _____

Secondary Exterior _____

Architect/Builder _____

Other Information:

Foundation Rocks and concrete Stories 1Roof/Cornice Gable, half hip entryWindow Double hung, glassDating Method(s): Estimate

Feature Preservation Recommendation(s) (Check all that apply):

 Individual nomination Contributes to a potential district No nomination potential Will not contribute to a district Potential district—feature would be a contributing element if other properties constitute a district Thematic nomination potential Component of a historic site or landscape

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**NDCRS ARCHITECTURAL SITE FORM
PAGE 3—Feature Data**Field Code Moraine Township SchoolSITS# 32 GF**Complete a Page 3 for each feature.****1. Feature Description, Integrity, Eligibility:**

The feature is a one room prairie school on a foundation of rocks and concrete. The gable roof of the main body and half hip of the entry are covered with ribbed metal sheeting. There is a red brick chimney at the south end at the peak. The soffits are closed. The building measures 24 feet north to south and 18 feet east to west with the entry measuring 12 feet east to west by 10 feet north to south.

There is a wide trim board under the soffits at the peak ends of the school. The siding is 6 inch wood lap with 6 inch corner trim with good paint. There is a vent near the peak at the north end. The entry has two fixed pane windows on the west wall and one double hung, two over two, window on the north wall. The entry door has a screen over a 5 panel wood door. The entry floor is hard wood with tile over it. The floor in the school room is covered with narrow tongue and groove hardwood. The walls in the entry and the school are wallboard. The ceiling is covered with wallboard. There are three sets of two double hung windows on the east side. The glass is intact and the windows have shades installed in the middle to pull up and down from center. There are blackboards and green boards on the south and west walls. There is a flagpole in the ground to the right of the entry door. Light fixtures suggest electricity. The building is used for storage.

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PAGE 4—SITE DESCRIPTION**

Field Code Moraine Township School

SITS# 32 GF

Complete one Page 4 for the entire site.

2. Owner's Contact Information:

3. Access (to rural areas):

This school is on 16th Ave NE, 10 miles west of Larimore, just west of the intersection with 47th St NE.

4. Site Area (ft²): _____

5. Description of **SETTING**:

There is farm equipment and a large bin near the school, a bit site to the west, farm site to the northwest and crop fields all directions.

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SITS# 32 GF

6. Summary of ALL Site Features & Evaluation of Significance:

7. References/Comments:

Kathy Wilner
366 43rd Ave SE
Bowdon ND 58418

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North Side

Moraine Township School

9/19/2016

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West Side





East Side

Moraine
Township
School

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South Side



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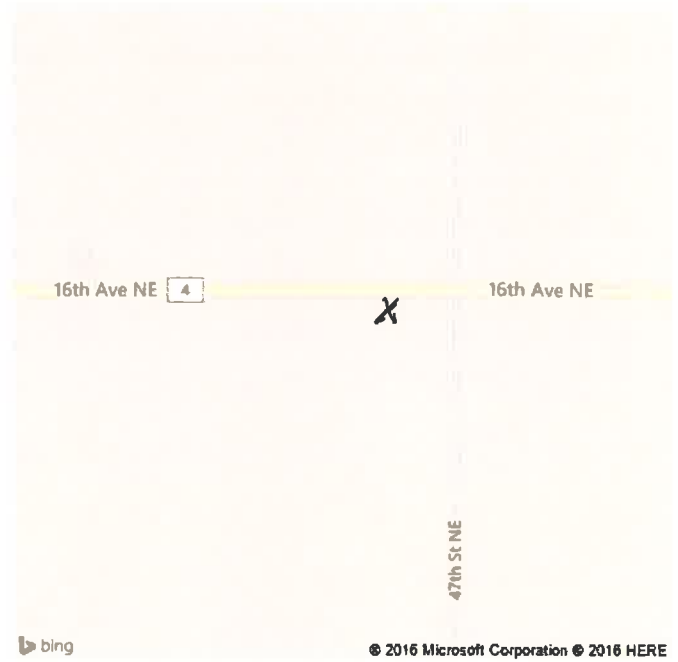
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Feature

