COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 1300 Broadway, Denver, Colorado 80203

## HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

		NOT	FOR	FIELD	USE	
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 Det.	Not	Eligible		e	Certified	Rehab.
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PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings	COUNTY: Arapahoe	CITY:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1303	
Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)	Arapanoe	Littleton	TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-17-4-03-033	
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Valley Feed and Lawn Center  ADDRESS: 2679 W MAIN ST	OWNER: VALLEY FEED & SUPPLY CO  2679 W MAIN ST LITTLETON CO 80120			
Littleton, CO 80120	TOWNSHIP 5S	TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Valley Feed & Supply Co.	U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'			
DISTRICT NAME:	BLOCK: 1 LOT(S): 24-28 ADDITION: LITTLETON ORIG. TOWN YR. OF ADDITION: 1872			
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 7 NEGATIVE NO.: BY: Roger Whitacre 32	LOCATION OF NEGL		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1940 SOURCE:	
			Lit. Independent, 7-18-86	
			USE: PRESENT: Commercial	
			HISTORIC: Commercial	
		CONDITION:  EXCELLENT X GOOD  FAIR DETERIORATING		
	VALLEY FEED LAWN CENTER		EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS:  MINOR MODERATE X MAJOR DESCRIBE: Addition on east doubling original	
			size; mansard overhang.	
			CONTINUED YES X NO	
STYLE: No Style	<u>s</u>		ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:	
MATERIALS: Stucco, Wood, Concrete		SQ. FOOTAGE:	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY	
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story, flat roofed original building with stepped	nament and rect	1	INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO	
down toward rear and flat roofed addition on east which			CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO	
Continuous wood shingled mansard across front of entir		Walls clad	LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No	
with stucco; west wall has piers with angled tops. Co	on.			
Original portion of building has center door flanked be windows. East addition has two large windows. Second			NAME: DATE:	
west, as well as overhead garage door.			ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? X YES NO TYPE: 5AH	
	CONTINUED? YES	and the same and t	IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.: Storage Building	
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO				

PLAN SHAPE:	ARCHITECT: Unknown	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1303
	SOURCE:  BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown	ORIGINAL OWNER: J.A. Willis Family  SOURCE: Lit. Independent, 7-18-1986, 16.
	SOURCE:	THEME(S): Colorado Town Form in Early Auto Era, 1920-45

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):

CONTINUED YES

X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
This building was erected in 1940 to house the Valley Feed and Supply Company store. The Littleton store, part of an eight-store chain owned by the J.A. Willis family, opened in 1937 on S. Curtice Street. In 1940, the store was moved to the present location on Main Street (originally addressed as 360 W. Main St.) and business picked up substantially in a spot that drew more drive-by traffic. Jake Hine briefly managed the store; Paul W. Sutton took over the position in about 1938 and managed the store during the postwar period. He bought a one-third share in the store from the Willis family in 1972 and the remaining two-thirds (with his son Gary) in 1985. The store sold feed, fertilizers, and other supplies to area dairies, chicken farms, and the Centennial Race Track. Paul W. Sutton still managed the store in 1986. The store had adapted to the residential suburbanization of the area by adding lawn care products and tools to its inventory.

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YES

X NO

SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):
ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER
POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES
PERPESENTS A TYPE PERIOD OF MERIOD

REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS

ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is associated with the commercial history of Main Street and reflects the agricultural heritage of Littleton, having been erected as the Valley Feed and Supply Company. Alterations to the building have diminished its historic integrity.

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YES

X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton City Directories, 1953-1965; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1949; Littleton Historical Museum files; Littleton Independent, 20 August 1948; Anniversary Issue, 1968; and 18 July 1986, 16.

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YES

X NO