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SITE NO. 28

NAME Ellingson farm

LOCATION ~~8 miles~~⁹ west of Clifton, Bosque County, Texas,
on B. Ellingson survey

OWNER Milford Murphree
Star Route 1
Cranfills Gap, Texas 76634

PRESENT USE Storage

CATEGORY Buildings

STATUS Unoccupied

QUADRANGLE NAME Sugarloaf Mountain, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCE 14/622030/3516420

ACREAGE less than 1 acre

PHOTO REFERENCE NO. 43

DESCRIPTION

The Ellingson farm is located near Rattlesnake Mountain, west of the Upper Settlement Rural Historic District. It includes two residential structures that remain in good condition. The Bernard Ellingson house is a one-and-a-half-story, wood-frame structure with an L-shaped plan. A shed-roof porch, with chamfered wood columns, extends across the front, or south, facade. The house has double-hung windows with one-over-one lights. The intersecting-gable roof is covered with standing seam metal, and a small shed-roof addition extends on the west side. The house is sheathed in ship-lapped novelty siding.

The Jacob Ellingson house, which is also located on the property, is built of quarried limestone with mud mortar. A massive exterior chimney of stone projects from

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the north side. The lone opening on the front (east) facade is a recessed single-door entrance. A standing-seam metal roof covers this one-room structure. A small corrugated-tin outbuilding stands a few feet to the north of the stone house, but does not contribute to the historic character of the property.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Ellingson farm includes what is believed to be the last stone house erected by a Norwegian pioneer. According to its present owner, it was built about 1900 for Jacob Ellingson. His brother, Bernard, lived in the nearby frame house, which was erected about 1893. This structure is significant because it is typical of the frame farmhouses built by the Norwegians during the late 19th century.

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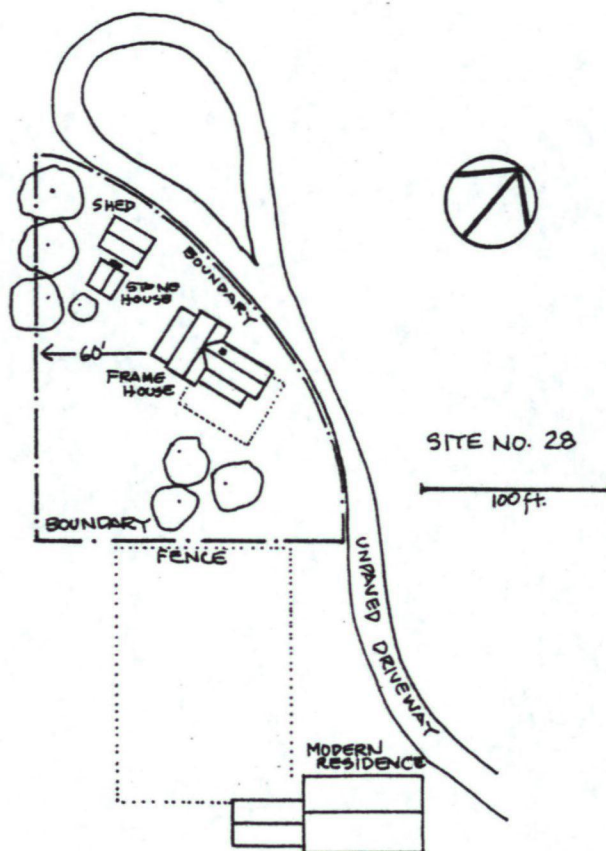
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AREA TO BE NOMINATED



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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County Thematic Resources
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Bekken, J. H., House | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 2. Brandhagen Houses | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 3. Brogdon Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 4. Bronstad House | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 5. Colwick, John and Mary, Farm | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 6. Dahl, Peder, Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
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| 7. Ellingson Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 8. Erickson, Even and Petrine,
Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 9. Finstad, Ole and Elizabeth,
Homesite | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>[Signature]</u> | 7/22/83 <u>[Signature]</u> |
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| 10. Godager, Adolf and
Christine, Homesite | Entered in the
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EVALUATION / RETURN SHE

United States Department of the Interior
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Ellingson Farm (Norwegian Settlement of
Bosque County TR)
Bosque County
TEXAS

Working No. JUN 9 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 7/7/83 - 7/24/83

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 7/22/83

Entered in the ☐ RETURN

National Register ☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: _____

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



The Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County

Site No. 28, Ellingson Farm, 8 miles west
of Clifton, Bosque County, Texas

Photograph: July 1979, by Daniel Hardy

On file, Texas Historical Commission

View of Bernard and Jacob Ellingson houses,
looking north

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View of Jacob Ellison House, looking west

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000849