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SITE NO. 17

NAME Olson-Hanson farm

LOCATION FM 219, ^{on FM 219} 5 miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque
County, Texas, on G. Brown survey

OWNERS R.E. Henderson, Jr. and D.M. McTaggart
c/o R.E. Henderson, Jr.
7224 Westover
Waco, Texas 76710

PRESENT USE Private residence

CATEGORY Building

STATUS Unoccupied

QUADRANGLE NAME Hurst Springs, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCE 14/627520/3512940

ACREAGE about 2 acres

PHOTO REFERENCE NO. 27

DESCRIPTION

The Olson-Hansen farm is located about one mile northeast of the intersection of FM 219 and FM 189, and its prominent siting upon a hill overlooking the Gary Creek valley makes it easily visible from FM 219. Presently in good condition, the house is used occasionally as a week-end residence by its current owners. This one-and-a-half-story structure has a rectangular plan and exhibits a stucco veneer that covers limestone walls. The three-bay front faces south and has a centrally positioned, double-door entrance. A shed-roof porch with chamfered wooden columns projects over this entry. A central dormer-like gable with a single window and clapboards gives the front facade an appearance much like that of the Bekken (no. 27) and Schultz houses (no. 26). The outer bays of the front elevation, as well as the ground-level

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of the east and west facades, have double-hung windows with two-over-two lights and wooden sashes. Interior brick chimneys extend above each end of the gable roof, now covered with composition shingles. Two wood-frame barns, a small shed, and a cistern are also located on the property. All contribute to the historic character of the farm.

SIGNIFICANCE

Little is known of the early history of this farmhouse. Tax records at the county courthouse reveal that Lars Olson, one of the earliest of the Norwegian pioneers, owned this land in 1880, but he probably acquired it much earlier. In 1891 Andrew Hanson obtained possession of this property. Today it stands as a good example of a late 19th-century Norwegian farm in the area.

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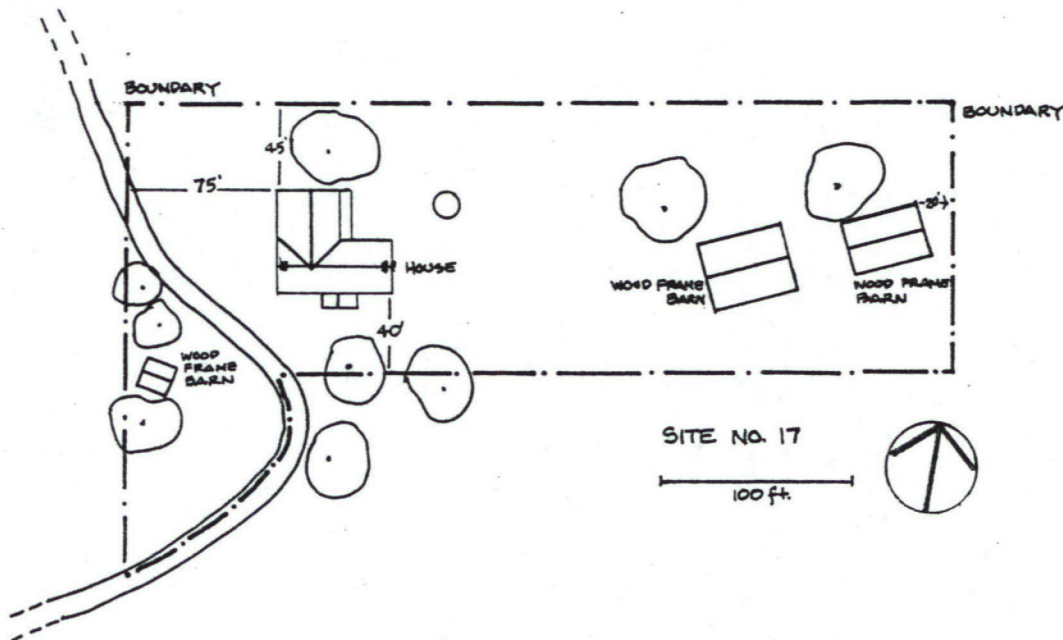
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County Thematic Resources
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Entered in the
National Register

Date/Signature

- | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 21. Norway Mill | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 22. Olson-Hanson Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 23. Olson, Joseph and Anna, Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 24. Olson-Nelson Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 25. Our Savior's Lutheran Church | Substantive Review | Attest
Keeper | Return |
| 26. Pederson, John, Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 27. Pierson, Ole and Ann, Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 28. Questad, Carl and Sedsel,
Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
| 29. Reeder-Omenson Farm | Entered in the
National Register | Attest
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| 30. Reiersen, Hans and Berthe,
House | Entered in the
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EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

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Olson-Hanson Farm (Norwegian Settlement of
Bosque County TR)
Bosque County
TEXAS

Working No. JUN 9 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 7/2/83 - 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"/> original one
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<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 _____ Areas 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 _____

UMT 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. 17, Olson-Hanson Farm, FM 219,
5 miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque County,
Texas

Photograph: June 1979, by David Moore

On file, Texas Historical Commission

View of front facade, looking northwest

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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