



DELTA COUNTY HISTORICAL LANDMARK BOARD

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COUNTY LANDMARK APPLICATION PROCESS

To be listed as a local historical landmark, an application packet is submitted to someone on the DCHLB (Delta County Historic Landmarks Board). The applicant does not have to be the owner but does need the owner's permission.

The packet includes the **completed Part 1 Form**; the information, documents, and photographs requested that make up **Part 2**; and the **Owner Permission Letter**. These ideally should be submitted on printed paper copy, and also in electronic/digital format. (The Board will consider them and forward the final version via Email so digital form will be needed as well.) The Board will gladly assist any applicant with format, scanning, and printing issues. We are very interested in helping out to get this completed.

Once received, the Board will convene and consider the application and which of the five Criteria apply to it. Any property is eligible if it is over 50 years old and meets one or more of the criteria (below), and has the owner's permission to seek listing. It is up to the Board to decide if the property merits listing. They will document their decision in the meeting minutes.

If approved by the Historic Landmarks Board, the DCHLB will put their recommendation before the County Commissioners for its approval, via resolution at a regularly scheduled BOCC meeting.

Once approved by the BOCC, the Board will convey a signed copy of the Application, plus a Certificate, to the owner/proponent. The original paper copy of the application packet will remain on file at the Delta County Historical Museum, and the property will be added to the list on the Delta County Official Website.

Criteria for Listing as a County Historical Landmark:

Structures or features must be at least fifty (50) years old and meet one or more of the following criteria for architectural, cultural or geographic/environmental significance. A site can be exempted from the age standard if the Board finds it to be exceptionally important in other criteria. These criteria generally mirror those required by *HistoryColorado* and the National Register of Historic Places.

- A. The association of the property with events that have made a significant contribution to local or Colorado or national history;
- B. The connection of the property with person(s) significant in our history;
- C. The apparent distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction, or artisan;
- D. The geographic importance of the property to local history (that is, properties which have achieved significance for their place in the landscape, adding to a strong sense of place or providing community identity);
- E. The site's contribution of important discoveries of prehistory or history.