

HISTORIC PRESERVATION SERVICES

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CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO



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- » Historic survey
- » Condition assessment
- » Rehabilitation master plan
- » Design guidelines

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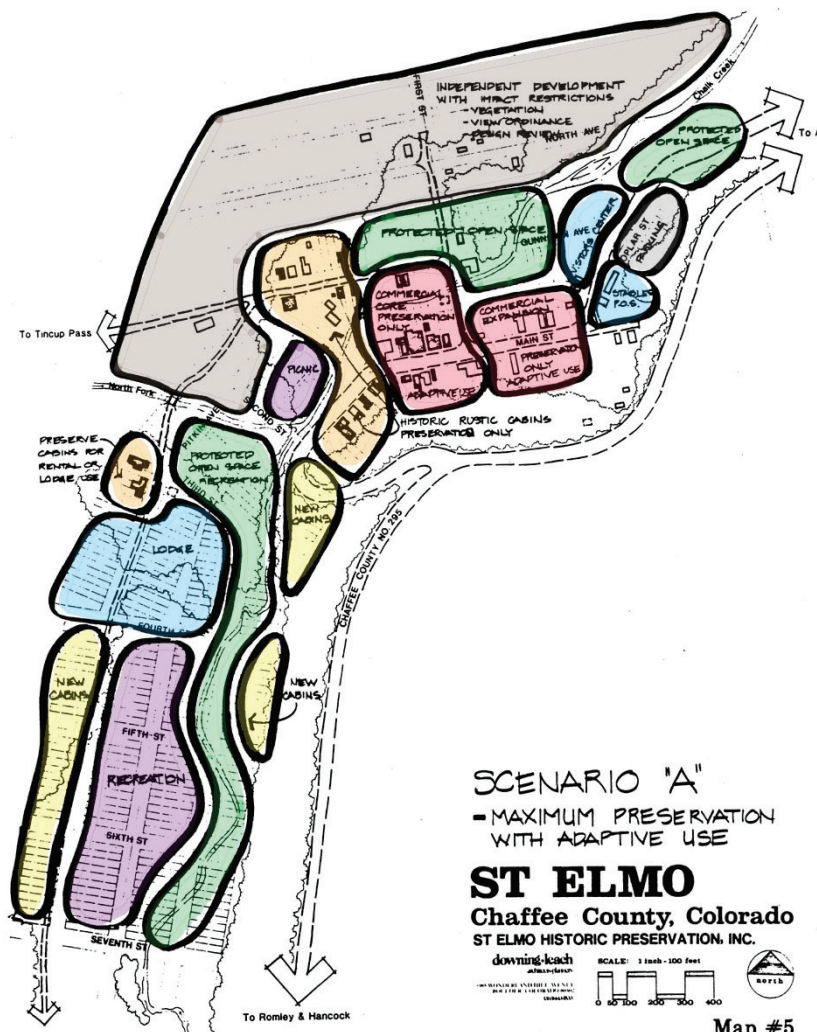
St. Elmo Property Owners Association

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Historic Resources Survey and Preservation Plan for St. Elmo, Colorado

St. Elmo is a Rocky Mountain mining camp that was established in the 1890s, reached its peak in the 1910s and shortly thereafter declined as a mining community. By the 1940s, however, several properties had been acquired by nearby residents and others who saw the potential of the area for summer retreat cabins and recreation. While many of the property owners kept their buildings in their simple rustic states, others sought to improve their properties. In addition, many vacant lots within the townsite left opportunities for new construction that could change the character of the area.



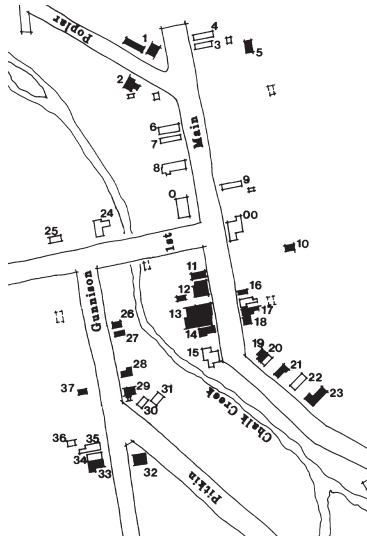
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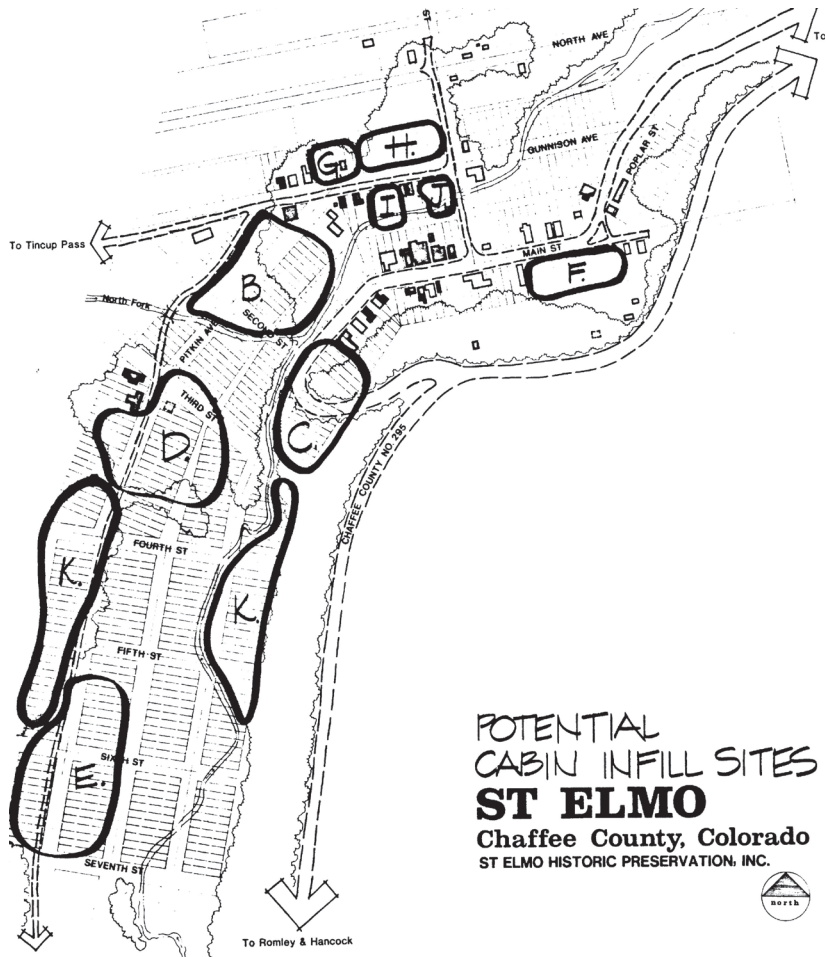
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The core of St. Elmo contains the greatest concentration of cabins and historic commercial buildings. The master plan calls for the highest levels of preservation in this area. New development is proposed in outlying parcels that are not visible from the old town.

Winter & Company evaluated approximately 40 properties and then developed recommendations for preservation and adaptive use. Some cabins were identified to be kept in a rustic state, while others were targeted for interior improvements. Design guidelines also were produced. The plan and guidelines have served as the key policy documents for this unincorporated settlement.



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