


OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 118 S HIGH ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 08 N		Longitude: 122 36 42 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 81	Lot: 6	Map #: 22E31CA Tax Lot #: 2800
Date of Construction: c. 1893		Historic Name: Williams, E.E., House		Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Vernacular			Plan Type/Shape: Rectangle		Number of Stories: 1.0
Foundation Material: Concrete block			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Drop			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Wings on north and rear elevations added.					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Garage (1)					
Integrity: Good		Condition: Fair		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site National Register Listed? No	
<p>Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district</p> <p>Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old</p>					
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:					
<p>This one story house sits under a front gable roof with shed roof additions on the north and east sides of the house. The west façade features hip roofed porch, supported by a series of chamfered posts with spindle work brackets beneath the blank frieze. A newer balustrade encircles the porch, which also features engaged columns at the wall of the house. The main gable and shed additions feature wide rake and frieze boards beneath the enclosed eaves. The entire house is clad with drop siding finished with cornerboards above the water table cap. The windows are predominantly 1/1 double-hung wood sash with board surrounds and projecting hood moldings. On the north side of the house these windows have been replaced with fixed wood sashes. The house rests on a concrete block foundation and features a low concrete retaining wall on the west side of the property.</p> <p>A small garage is located at the northeast corner of the lot under a gable roof. The garage has minimal eaves, drop siding, and newer outswinging wood doors.</p>					
Statement of Significance:					
<p>Eli Williams, born in Ohio in 1846, was the Oregon City Assessor in 1898. His wife established the Derthick, a musical organization, in the early teens. Williams lived in the house until about 1906, and the house changed hands frequently from that time through 1923. These owners were involved in the timber and mill industries in Oregon City. Joseph Koch bought the property in 1923 and held it until 1940, the longest term of ownership of this house. After this, the property continued to change hands often, with occupants that included a carpenter, an auto parts salesman, a Crown Zellerbach employee, a teacher, and a barmaid. The house was apparently used as a rental following its sale in 1940.</p>					

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