



Historic Resources Inventory

Site Number: **HS1-1**

Township: 18S

Range: 3W

Section: 23

Tax Lot ID: 1900

Historic Name: **Goshen Church of Christ**

Common Name:

Property Address: 85896 1st Street, Goshen Oregon (corner of A and 1st)

Owner: Richard Johnson, P.O. Box 5031 Eugene, Oregon 97405

Resource Type: Building

Historic Use: Church

Present Use: Vacant/Storage

Date of Construction: c. 1890

On NRHP? No

NR Eligible? Possible

On SIHP? Yes

SIHP No.:

On Local Inventory? Yes*

Local Inventory No.: 2795

Rank:

SIGNIFICANCE:

Refer to attached site narrative

*Please see Segment 1 narrative for information on local survey

SOURCES:

Beckham, State of Oregon Inventory, 26-May-1976.

Interview, Norm Tripp (Caretaker), 20-Sept-1991.

Lane County Tax and Assessment Records.

Recorded By: George Kramer

Date: 23-Sept-1991

Project Identification: Pacific Power and Light Co., Eugene-Medford 500 kV Transmission Line

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The subject structure is located appropriately 0.5 mile (0.8 km) east of the proposed power corridor centerline. Apparently erected in the 1890s, the Goshen Church of Christ is the single dominant built resource in the town center of the Goshen Community and has long been an important local landmark.

Built of wood-frame construction, the Goshen Church of Christ is an over-sized single storey structure with a large daylighted basement. Siding is horizontal wood. Notable exterior features include the pointed top "lancet" type windows and the round windows at the gable ends. Currently used for storage, the interior of the Goshen Church has reportedly been altered by years of neglect. The exterior is in fair condition.

Assessment

While definitely in need of restoration, the Goshen Church of Christ is significant not only for its architectural merit but more importantly for the role that it plays in the Goshen community. As the sole surviving public/commercial building of 19th century Goshen and that town's period of growth, the subject structure should be considered to have the significance required for potential listing on the National Register of Historic Places and planned for accordingly. Although presently only in fair condition, the majority of exterior architectural elements of the design remain and continue to provide a tangible link with the structures historic design should restoration ever be undertaken. The structure is currently listed in the Statewide Inventory of Historic Places.

Located in central Goshen, within visual sight of the Alvey Substation terminus of the project powerline, the Goshen Church of Christ has "high" impact according to the project criteria. However due to the presence of the substation and the numerous powerlines already running into and out of the Goshen area the additional impact of the Eugene-Medford 500kV line should actually have only a minimal effect on this resource.

Significance: High
Integrity: Fair
Impact: High



Figure HS1-1.1 Goshen Church of Christ, front, view to west.

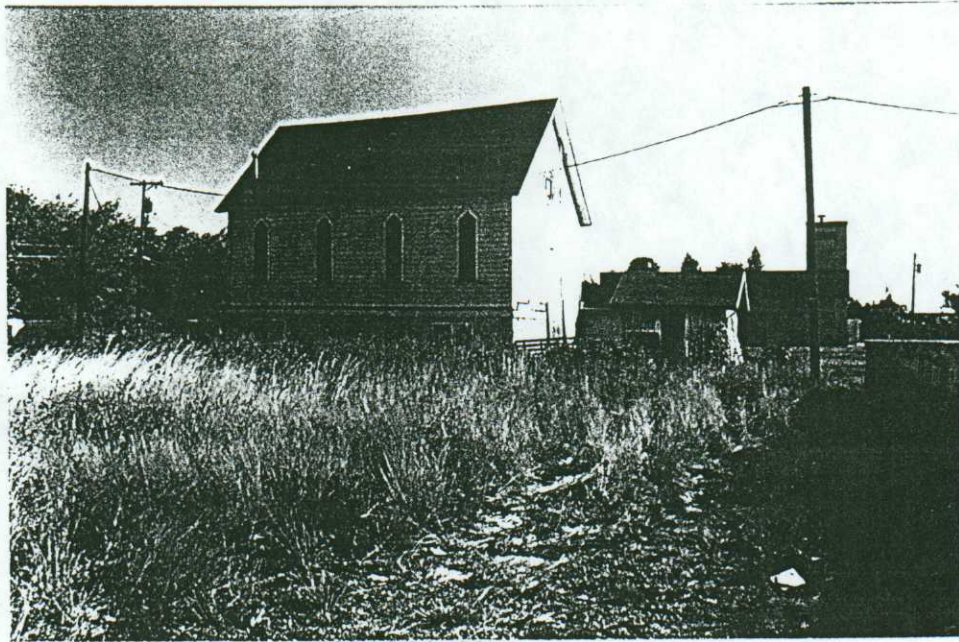


Figure HS1-1.2. Goshen Church of Christ, north elevation, view to south.