

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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**I. IDENTIFICATION**

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| 1. Resource number: | 5BL.11041/5GL.2013 | Parcel number: 158136109008 |
| 2. Temporary resource number: | Not Applicable | |
| 3. County: | Boulder (portions possibly in Gilpin) | |
| 4. City: | Wondervu | |
| 5. Historic building name: | Ivan Hebel Cabin | |
| 6. Current building name: | Jerome and Nicole Kress Cabin | |
| 7. Building address: | 213 Outlook Drive | |
| 8. Owner name: | Jerome S. and Nicole C. Kress | |
| Owner organization: | | |
| Owner address: | 225 Outlook Drive
Golden, CO 80403 | |

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| 44. National Register eligibility field assessment: | <input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Need data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |
| State Register eligibility field assessment: | <input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Need data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |
| Local landmark eligibility field assessment: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Need data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |

Wondervu Historical and Architectural Survey

HISTORITECTURE

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **1S** Range: **72W**
NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of section **36** Grid aligned on **northwest** corner of section.
10. UTM Reference Zone: **13**
 Easting: **465965** Northing: **4419672**
11. USGS quad name: **Tungsten** Scale: **7.5**
 Year: **1972**
12. Lot(s): **Lots 22 and 23; Block 6**
 Addition: **Wondervu Project** Year of addition: **1936**
13. Boundary description and justification: **The boundary, as described above, contains but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

Metes and bounds exist

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building Plan (footprint, shape): **Rectangular Plan**
 Other building plan descriptions:
15. Dimensions in feet:
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Simulated Log Siding**
 Other wall materials:
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Side Gabled Roof**
 Other roof configuration:
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**
 Other roof materials:
20. Special features: **Porch**
21. General architectural description:
Oriented to the north, this cabin rests on a recently poured concrete foundation. Brown-painted, simulated wood siding, with cornerboards, clads the exterior walls. Windows are 4-beside-4-light, sliding-sash, with green-painted wood frames and surrounds. The principal doorway opens in the center of the symmetrical front (north) façade.
It hosts a brown-painted, paneled door, with 4 lights. Protecting the door is a wood-frame screen door. The doorway provides access to a shed-roofed porch spanning the façade. The porch features unpeeled log posts and balustrades. A wood staircase descends from the porch on its west elevation. While the log and stickwork railing for the staircase was not installed, it was assembled and resting on the porch. Asphalt shingles cover the side-gabled main roof, and the rafter ends are exposed. The porch has log rafter ends. The building was undergoing remodeling at the time of this survey.

22. Architectural style: **Late 19th And Early 20th Century American Movements/Rustic**

Other architectural style:
Building type:

23. Landscape or special setting features:

This property is located on an east-west-oriented ridge top, at an elevation of over 8,600 feet above mean sea level. Cabins are irregularly spaced along Outlook Drive, an unpaved, generally east-west-oriented road. This cabin has a relatively moderate setback. The terrain slopes very steeply downward from south to north. Covering the property are thick stands of mature pines, spruces, and aspens.

24. Associated building, features or objects:

Privy

A privy is located of the southwest corner of the house. Oriented to the north, the building lacks a formal foundation and appears to be listing to the west. A narrow doorway opens in the front (north) façade, but lacks a door. Sheets of asphalt cover the front-gabled roof.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: **1934** Actual Estimate
Source of Information: **Boulder County Assessor Records.**
Deed 90300630. Boulder County Clerk and Recorder.

26. Architect: **Unknown**
Source of Information:

27. Builder: **Unknown**
Source of Information:

28. Original Owner: **Ivan L. Hebel**
Source of Information: **Deed 90300630. Boulder County Clerk and Recorder.**

29. Construction history:
According to Boulder County assessor records, this cabin was constructed in 1934. An analysis of the style, materials, and other historical records corroborates a 1941 date of construction. The building remained relatively unaltered until 2009, when the owner began remodeling the cabin. The most notable alteration has been the construction of a new front porch.

30. Location: **Original Location** Date of move(s): **Not Applicable**

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic/Cabin**

32. Intermediate uses(s): **Domestic/Cabin**

33. Current uses(s): **Domestic/Cabin**

34. Site type(s): **Cabin**

35. Historical background:

The original owner of this cabin, constructed in 1934, was Ivan L. Hebel, who purchased this property in 1933 from Wondervu developers Charles E. Hollingsworth and Otto Friedrichs. Hebel owned the property for five decades and it remained in his family for sixty-seven years. Ivan Hebel was born on August 11, 1901, in Kentucky. By 1910 he had relocated to Denver with his parents, Leopold and Lula (also spelled Lola) Hebel, and sister, Mildred J. Hebel. Leopold was a butcher and appears to have operated his own meat shop. Ivan married in 1928 and moved to Golden, where he was a professor at the Colorado School of Mines. His wife, Ruth S. Hebel, was born in Missouri on August 1, 1901. They had at least one child, Robert I. Hebel.

Ivan Hebel rose to become one of the most distinguished professors at the School of Mines, eventually chairing the department of mathematics. Prof. Hebel made national news in 1957 when he formed an accelerated math class after learning that thirty incoming freshman had achieved perfect scores on their mathematics placement examinations. In the course of three months, seventeen freshman completed an entire semester's study in advanced algebra and plain and spherical trigonometry. They had also begun courses in analytic geometry and calculus. By the 1960s, Prof. Hebel taught at the University of Denver, where he was a pioneer in developing and teaching early computers. He was a member of the American Mathematical Association. In addition to his teaching duties, Ivan Hebel played the organ at the Golden First United Methodist Church. Ruth Hebel died in August 1981, and Ivan in September 1982, both in Golden.

Robert I. Hebel, acting as representative of the Ivan L. Hebel estate, transferred this property to himself and Lora Marlene Hebel in 1983. They sold the property to Jerome S. and Nicole C. Kress, the current owners, in 2000. They also own the property immediately west.

36. Sources of information:

Boulder County Assessor Records.

Deeds 2022572, 00553074, and 90300630. Boulder County Clerk and Recorder.

U.S. Census of 1910. Denver Ward 13, Denver County, Colorado. Roll T624_117; Page: 1B; Enumeration District: 175; Image: 338.

U.S. Census of 1920. Denver, Denver County, Colorado. Roll T625_159; Page: 3A; Enumeration District: 84; Image: 63.

U.S. Census of 1930. Golden, Jefferson County, Colorado. Roll 243; Page: 6B; Enumeration District: 13; Image: 738.0.

Social Security Death Index Record for Ivan Hebel.

Social Security Death Index Record for Ruth Hebel.

"17 Breeze Through Math Texts Like They're Comic Books." *The Free Lance-Star*[Fredericksburg, Va.], 1 February 1957, p. 7.

Wieneke, Bob. "Rocky Mountain Simulation Council Meeting." *Simulation* 5, December 1965, p. 354.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No

Designation authority:

Date of designation:

38. Applicable National Register criteria:

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see manual).

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

Applicable Colorado State Register criteria:

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to history.

B. Connected with persons significant in history.

- C. Has distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction or artisan.
- D. Is of geographic importance.
- E. Contains the possibility of important discoveries related to prehistory or history.
- Does not meet any of the above Colorado State Register criteria.

Applicable Boulder County landmark criteria:

- 1. the character, interest, or value of the proposed landmark as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the county;
- 2. the proposed landmark as a location of a significant local, county, state, or national event;
- 3. the identification of the proposed landmark with a person or persons significantly contributing to the local, county, state, or national history;
- 4. the proposed landmark as an embodiment of the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or the use of indigenous materials;
- 5. the proposed landmark as identification of the work of an architect, landscape architect, or master builder whose work has influenced development in the county, state, or nation;
- 6. the proposed landmark's archaeological significance;
- 7. the proposed landmark as an example of either architectural or structural innovation; and
- 8. the relationship of the proposed landmark to other distinctive structures, districts, or sites which would also be determined to be of historic significance.
- Does not meet any of the above Boulder County landmark criteria.

39. Areas of significance: **Architecture**
Social History

40. Period(s) of Significance: **Architecture, 1934; Social History, 1934-1960**

41. Level of Significance: National State Local Not Applicable

42. Statement of Significance:

This property is historically significant under Boulder County Landmark Criterion 1 for its association with the development of Wondervu, a collection of mountaintop summer cabins marketed to and owned by members of the working and middle classes. The original occupant of this cabin was unusual compared to many other Wondervu property owners because he was an influential member of the professional class, serving as a distinguished college professor. The cabin is also architecturally significant under Boulder County Landmark Criterion 4 as an example of the Rustic style. Character-defining features include simulated log siding, divided-light windows, and exposed rafter ends. While its lack of notable historical or architectural significance may make this property ineligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties, it could be individually eligible as a Boulder County Landmark.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

Constructed in 1936, this cabin exhibits a moderate level of physical integrity relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society: location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. While the building was undergoing remodeling at the time of this survey, it appears as if those efforts were meant to retain rather than remove character-defining

features. The only notable alteration, the construction of a new front porch, is entirely compatible in design and materials. This building retains sufficient physical integrity to convey its historical and architectural significance.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

- 44. National Register eligibility field assessment: Individually eligible Not eligible Need data Previously listed
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- 45. Is there National Register district potential: Yes No

Discuss: **This inventory was conducted as an intensive-level selective survey and therefore lacks the continuity of resource data necessary to recommend the creation of an historic district.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building contributing: Yes No N/A

- 46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it contributing: Yes No N/A

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Digital photograph file name(s): **outlookdr0213 - 1.tif to outlookdr0213 - 3.tif**
 Digital photographs filed at: **Boulder County Parks and Open Space**
5201 St. Vrain Road
Longmont, CO 80502

48. Report title: **Wondervu Historical and Architectural Survey, 2009-10**

49. Date(s): **09/28/2009**

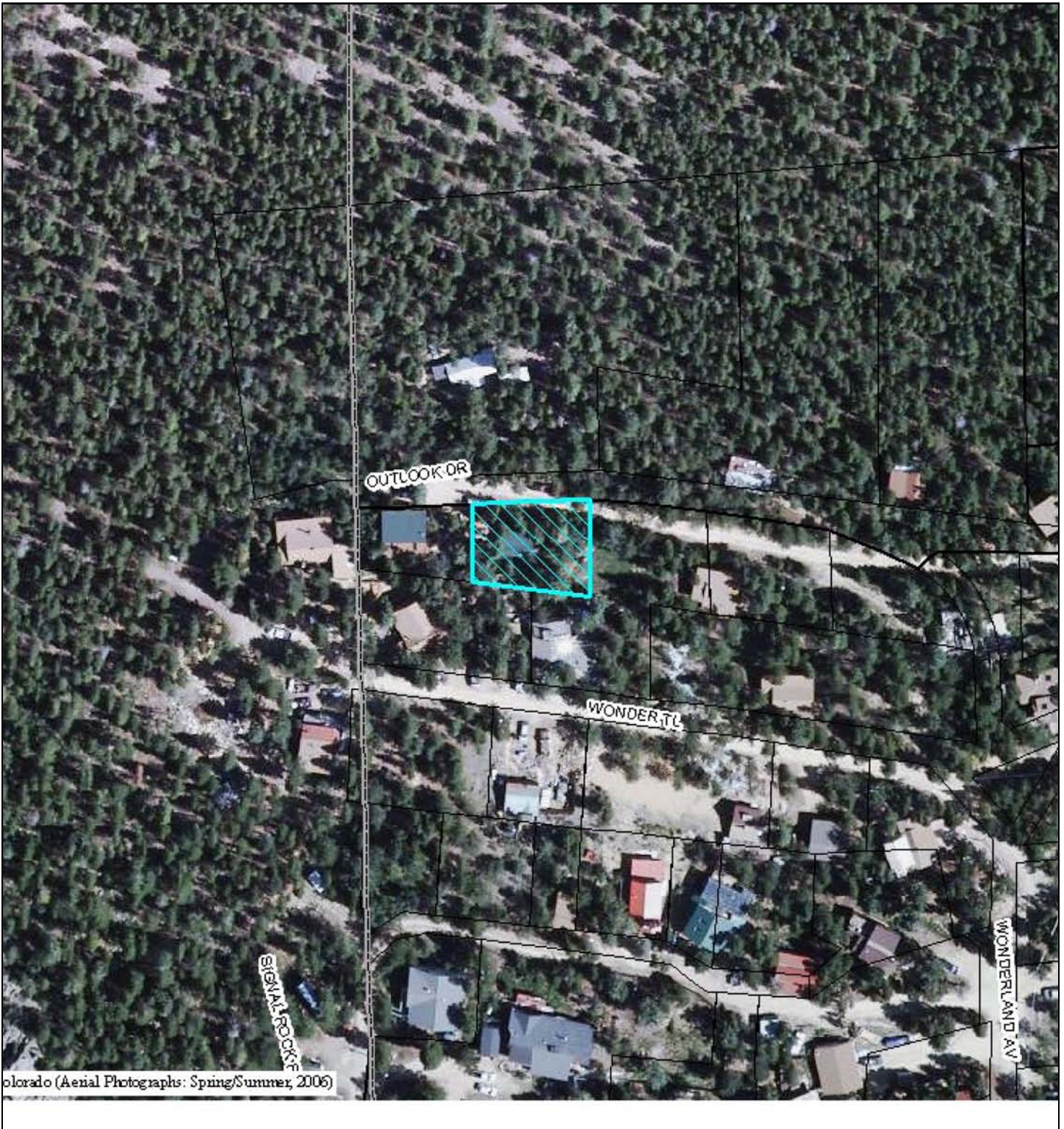
50. Recorder(s): **Adam Thomas**

51. Organization: **Historitecture, LLC**

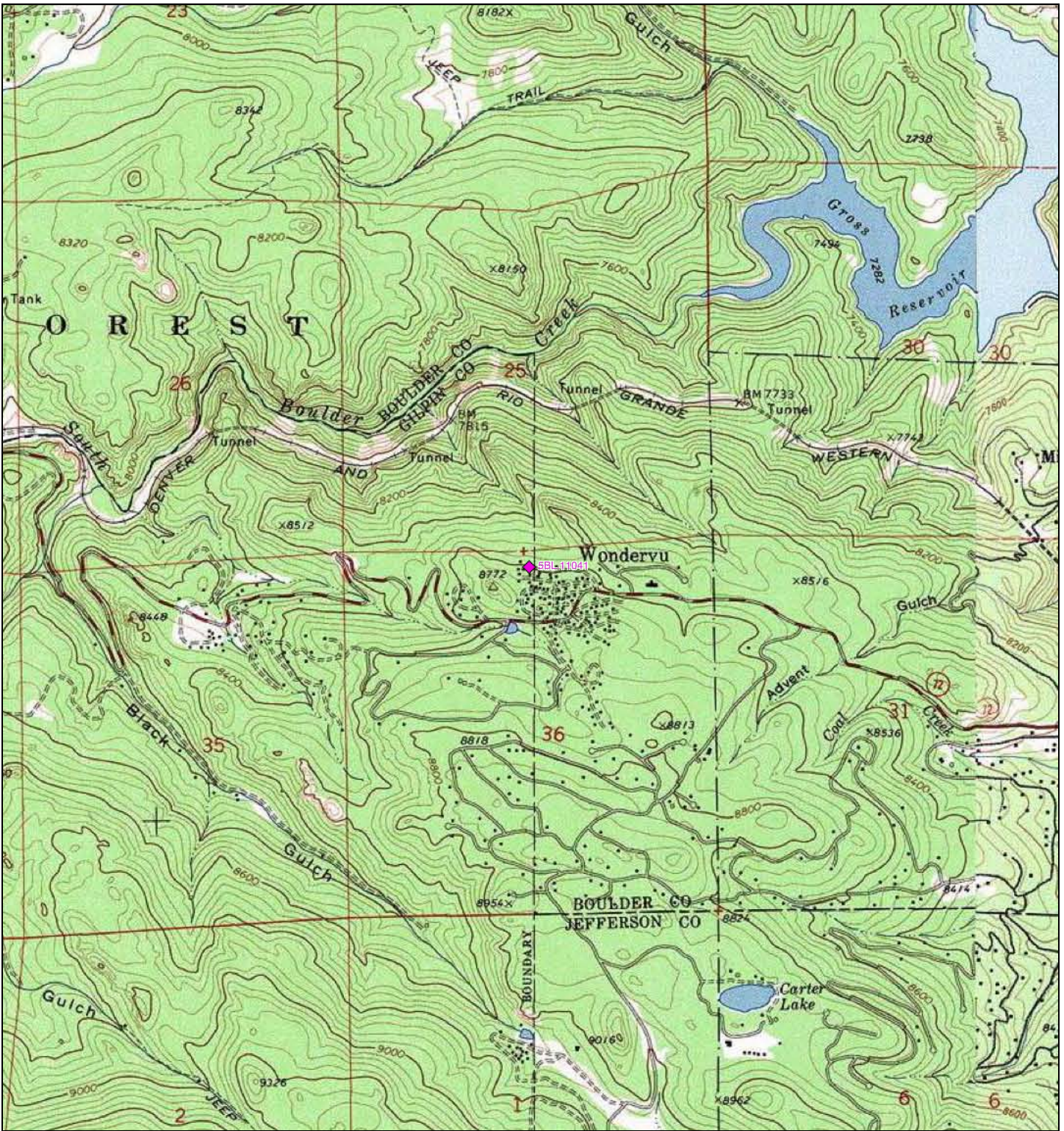
52. Address: **PO Box 419**
Estes Park, CO 80517-0419

53. Phone number(s): **(970) 586-1165**

SKETCH MAP



LOCATION MAP



Source: U.S. Geological Survey 7.5' Tungsten - 1972