

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

### 1. Name of Property

Historic name Willakenzie Grange Hall

Other names/site number N/A

### 2. Location

street & number 3055 Willakenzie Rd.  not for publication

city of town Eugene  vicinity

State Oregon code OR county Lane code 039 zip code 97401

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination    request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets    does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant    nationally    statewide X locally. (   See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

  
Signature of certifying official/Deputy SHPO

12/3/2008  
Date

Oregon State Historic Preservation Office  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property    meets    does not meet the National Register criteria. (   See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of certifying official/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

### 4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

   entered in the National Register  
   See continuation sheet

   determined eligible for the National Register  
   See continuation sheet

   determined not eligible for the National Register

   removed from the National Register

   other (explain:)

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public - Local
- public - State
- public - Federal

**Category of Property**  
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Non-Contributing	
1		buildings
		sites
	1	structures
		objects
1	1	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

N/A

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL: Meeting Hall, Grange

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL: Meeting Hall, Grange

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19<sup>th</sup> AND EARLY 20<sup>th</sup> CENTURY

AMERICAN MOVEMENTS: Bungalow /

Craftsman, Vernacular

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation: CONCRETE

walls: WOOD, shiplap

roof: ASPHALT, shingle

other:

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL HISTORY

AGRICULTURE

**Period of Significance**

1913-1958

**Significant Dates**

1913, date of construction

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

George Smith, Ira Calef, C.A. Rice, W.A. Ayres,

F.B. Harlow

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography** (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: City of Eugene Planning & Development Office

Willakenzie Grange Hall  
Name of Property

Lane Co., OR  
County and State

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property .84 acres

### UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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Zone Easting Northing

3 \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone Easting Northing

2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone Easting Northing

4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone Easting Northing

### Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet)

### Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet)

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Gail Hammerich

organization \_\_\_\_\_ date June 15, 2008

street & number 301 Willamette St. telephone (541) 285-0352

city or town Eugene state OR zip code 97401

## Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

### Continuation Sheets

**Maps:** A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs:** Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

**Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

## Property Owner

name Oregon State Grange

street & number 643 Union St. NE telephone (503) 316-0106

city or town Salem state OR zip code 97301

Contact at Willakenzie Grange: David Kemp Phone: (541)543-1809 Email: dkemp.ltc@comcast.net

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### INTRODUCTION:

Willakenzie Grange Hall is located in a residential neighborhood at 3055 Willakenzie Rd. in Eugene, Lane County, OR. Constructed in 1913, the building is representative of the Grange Movement that began in 1867 as a means of encouraging agricultural communities to work together for their common economic and political good. Historically, Willakenzie Grange Hall was used as a central meeting place for rural families farming the flood plains between the Willamette and McKenzie Rivers. Today, Willakenzie Grange is still active in the area with 29 regular members as well as an enthusiastic group of "Junior Grangers." The property has one contributing resource consisting of the grange building itself. The property's only non-contributing resource is a detached storage shed on the north side of the building. Willakenzie Grange Hall is in very good condition and maintains six of the seven recognized aspects of historical integrity, excluding integrity of setting due to a loss of the building's original agricultural surroundings.

### SETTING:

Originally adjacent to the Bogart schoolhouse (1854-1923) and surrounded by open farmland, today Willakenzie Grange Hall is located in a growing residential neighborhood. The building is constructed on a flat plain of land and sits on a .84 acre rectangular lot that is bordered on the south by Willakenzie Rd, the north and east by an L-shaped grass-covered lot, and the west by neighboring single-family homes. The lot itself has trees on the west and north sides and a large paved parking lot on the east side. The front façade of the building faces south towards Willakenzie Rd. The property is accessible by a paved entrance drive between the parking lot and Willakenzie Rd. A public sidewalk runs along Willakenzie Rd. in front of the building and is separated from the road by a curb. In addition, a short concrete sidewalk leads from the front step of the building to the parking lot. The parking lot itself is curbed to separate it from the grass on the east side of the building. The south and east elevations of Willakenzie Grange Hall are landscaped with manicured bushes and other plants. The southeast corner of the building is set off by a small triangular group of plantings and stones that have been surrounded by a row of bricks set into the ground. This area has been filled in with mulch and gravel. The north and west sides of the property contain several large maple trees. The far north side of the property contains a brick and stone masonry fireplace built in 1944 as a recreational addition to the property. In large part, this fireplace has been dismantled, however elements of the rough stone surround and brick hearth remain. The existing fireplace is approximately 4'2" tall and 3' wide.

### GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS:

The building is a 2,440 sq. ft., two-story, vernacular meeting hall with a modified rectangular plan, recessed front porch, and a Craftsman-style front-gable roof with bracketed eave overhangs. Willakenzie Grange Hall is wood framed and measures 64' x 32', excluding rectangular kitchen and bathroom additions to the north and west that measure 12' x 22' and 16' x 8', respectively. The continuous-perimeter foundation of the building is poured concrete. The building is sided with wood shiplap that has been painted white. The front-gabled main roof is covered in asphalt shingles, as are the smaller hipped and flat roofs that cover the west and north projections; one brick chimney bisects the gable on the north end of the roof.

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### EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

All of the windows are wood framed and are of three kinds: one-over-one double-hung, three-sash fixed ribbon, and single-pane fixed-sash. The building also contains four wooden entry doors, two of which are smooth, and two of which are paneled. A fourth door exists, but has been rendered inoperable by the addition of an exterior staircase that blocks its way.

The front façade of the building (the south elevation) contains three one-over-one double-hung windows (two at second-story level, one at ground-floor level) and a recessed porch supported by a metal rod at the southeast corner. The porch floor is poured concrete and matches the level of the concrete foundation on the rest of the building. There is one concrete step on the east side of the porch. Originally, a short (approximately 2'6") wooden wall enclosed the porch on the south and east sides, ending where the step meets the porch. This wall has since been replaced with a wooden railing that borders the open south and east sides of the porch and is used as a handhold on either side of the concrete step. Two smooth wooden doors lead from the porch to the interior of the building. Above the second-floor windows on the south elevation, five rows of white painted wood shingles replace the shiplap siding where the words "WILLAKENZIE GRANGE" are mounted in black-painted wooden letters. Above this, five wooden brackets support the overhanging eave of the gable.

The east elevation contains eight one-over-one double-hung windows, four on the ground floor and four on the second floor. Rafters are exposed along the length of the building on the east and west elevations.

The north elevation supports a flight of wooden stairs that lead to a second-floor door, both of which were added after the building's initial construction as a fire escape in 1952. The staircase blocks an original ground-level door, and as a result, this door is no longer a viable entryway. In addition, a small square window opening alongside this original door has since been boarded up and painted over. A rectangular, one-story addition has also been added to the north elevation of the building. This addition functions as a kitchen extension and contains one three-sash ribbon of windows on its north side, as well as a wooden entry door on its east side. The kitchen addition is covered with an asphalt-shingled shed roof. In the northeast corner between the north addition and the original building there is a small shed-roofed storage closet attached which is accessible from the outside by means of a moveable wooden panel.

The west elevation of Willakenzie Grange Hall contains four one-over-one double-hung windows at second-floor level; at ground-floor level there are three one-over-one double-hung windows and one three-sash ribbon window. The west elevation also projects a one-story addition that functions as bathroom space. It contains two small horizontal fixed-sash windows on its west side and is covered by an asphalt-shingled hipped roof.

Both the north and west additions have projecting eaves and rafters and wooden shiplap siding in keeping with the architectural detailing of the original building. The only outbuilding on the lot is a 14' x 12' detached storage shed on the north side of the property. This white-painted plywood shed is covered by a front-gabled, asphalt-sheet roof and sits on a buried cement block foundation. Because it was built after the building's period of significance, the shed is a non-contributing resource to this site.