

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: REMOVAL

PROPERTY Highland Water Tower  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Highland, Doniphan County, Kansas MPS  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: KANSAS, Doniphan

DATE RECEIVED: 12/23/03 DATE OF PENDING LIST:  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/29/03  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 07000249

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 12-29-15 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

REMOVED  
from  
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA Remove

REVIEWER Edson Beall

DISCIPLINE History

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 12-29-15

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

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**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION**

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The Highland Water Tower was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2007 for its local significance in the area of community planning and development. Highland's water tower was representative of an important period in the growth and development of the town. Having lost many buildings to fire in the late 1800s and early 1900s, community leaders sought improved infrastructure to avoid future fire-related disasters and to accommodate and encourage new development. Similar water towers sprouted across the country as rural and urban communities planned and developed consistent water supplies to fight fires and improve health through clean water. The Highland Water Tower was constructed in 1913-1914 and featured a steel tank that held 50,000 gallons of water and was elevated on four steel support posts that were 100 feet tall.

The Highland Water Tower was dismantled on June 24, 2015. The loss of the resource negatively affects its historic integrity, and the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office requests the property be removed from the National Register of Historic Places.



Patrick Zollner Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

11-10-15

Date

**PHOTOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

- Property: Highland Water Tower
- Location: 108 N Genesee St. (SE corner, N. Genesee & W Illinois sts.), Highland, Doniphan County, Kansas
- Photographer: City of Highland
- Date: June 24, 2015
  
- Photo 1: Dismantling of the tank.
- Photo 2: Dismantling of the tank.
- Photo 3: Dismantling of the tank.





