

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: Overmohle's Vista Madrone Resort
3. Street or rural address: 4420 West Sausal Lane  
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 131-210-28-8
5. Present Owner: Larson, Carter L. Address: 3621 Washington Street  
City San Francisco, CA Zip 94118 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Non-specific Cottage
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

A square, one-story cottage with a gable and dormers on the hip roof. In the rear is a shed roofed addition. The dormers have small, six-paned windows and a fan light tops French doors in the gable which open onto a small balcony. The main structure has a boxed cornice and the dormers have tiny gable returns. Windows are double-hung with multi-paned sashes. The window in the addition has a diamond pattern. A porch surrounds three sides of the structure. A roof in front and down one side is supported by chamfered posts. The porch roof has exposed rafter tails. The house's siding is channel rustic.



8. Construction date:  
Estimated 1912 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_  
or approx. acreage 13.53
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
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13. Condition: Excellent  Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_\_\_
14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land  Scattered buildings \_\_\_\_\_ Densely built-up \_\_\_\_\_  
Residential \_\_\_\_\_ Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known  Private development \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site?  Moved? \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Related features: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This structure was the residence of P.V. Overmohle who opened a resort on this property circa 1912. The Russian River, has throughout its history, been termed as one of the finest vacation regions in the West, and the "Playground of Northern California". In the 1870's resorts began appearing at farms bordering the Russian River. P.V. Overmohle, taking advantage of his location on the Russian River in Alexander Valley, constructed a dance pavilion in 1912, and by 1914 he was offering 28 tents, floored, with electric lights and furniture. He constructed an ice house, for guests pleasure and offered boating, swimming, diving, and entertainment with an electric piano. His facilities would accomodate 50 guests in 1914. In operation 1912-1916.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
 Architecture \_\_\_\_\_ Arts & Leisure   
 Economic/Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_\_\_  
 Government \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_  
 Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
 Trib.: 5/2/1912, 6/26/1913,  
 5/14/1914, 3/13/1915

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