

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102 ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORIC INVENTORY FORM

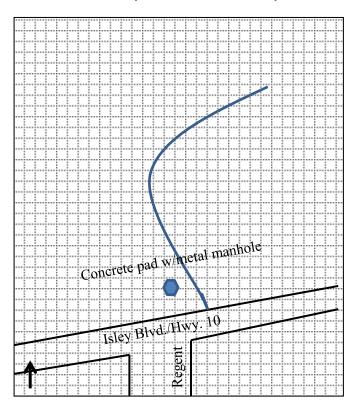
1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-013	Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs			
3. County: CL	4. Address (Street	,	s) sley at intersection of Regent, west bank of river	
5.City: Vicinit Excelsior Springs		9E/ 4355100.13N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1	
8.Historic name (if known): White Sulphur Spring	1	9. Present/oth	ner name (if known):	
10. Ownership: ☐ Private ☐ Public	11a. Historic use (HEALTH CARE		11b. Current use: VACANT/NOT IN USE	
HISTORICAL INFORMATION				
12. Construction date: Ca. 1915; 1936	15. Archite	ct:	18. Previously surveyed? Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)	
13. Significant date/period: Ca. 1915 - 1936	16. Builder	/contractor:	19. On National Register? individual idistrict Cite nomination name in box 22 cont. (page 3)	
14. Area(s) of significance: HEALTH/MEDICINE		ll or significant owner:	20. National Register eligible? ☐ individually eligible ☐ district potential (☐ C☐ NC) ☐ not eligible ☐ not determined	
21. History and significance on continuation page. 22. Sources of information on continuation page.				
ARCHITECTURAL INFORMA				
23. Category of property: ☐ building(s) ☐ site ☐ structure object	e ☐ 30: Roof m N/A	aterial:	37.Windows: ☐ historic ☐ replacement Pane arrangement:	
24. Vernacular or property type:	31. Chimne N/A	ey placement:	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? ⊠	
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structu Concret		39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): ☐ Addition(s) Date(s): ☐ Altered Date(s):	
26. Plan shape: N/A	33. Exterior N/A	r wall cladding:	☐ Moved Date(s): ☐ Other Date(s):	
27. No. of stories: N/A	34. Founda Concret	ation material: e	Endangered by:	
28. No. of bays (1 st floor): N/A	35. Basemo N/A	ent type:	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.): N/A	
29. Roof type: N/A	36. Front po	orch type/placement:	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. ⊠	
OTHER				
42. Current owner/address: City of Excelsior Springs 201 E. Broadway	Deon Wolfe	repared by (name and or enbarger les Preservation		
Excelsior Springs, MO 64024-256	320 Pine G	Blade Road, Nederland eegables.net	, CO 45. Date of revisions:	
FOR SHPO USE				
Date entered in inventory:	Level of surv		Additional research needed? ☐ yes ☐ no	
National Register Status:	Other:			
not determined				



LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)

3.021 23.15 100.

SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)



PHOTOGRAPH

Photographer: Deon Wolfenbarger Date: 11/09/2011 Description:

(left) Looking southeast towards Isley Blvd.; (right) looking north/northeast from intersection of Isley & Regent





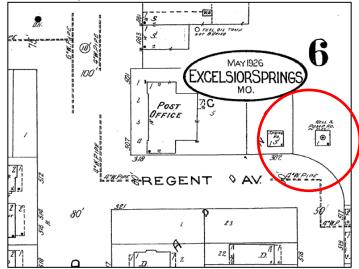


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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. (cont.) History and significance. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The 1908 Blue Book and City Directory do not have a listing for the White Sulphur Well, and the 1913 Sanborn map does not show a well or spring house on this location. By 1917, under the listings by street, the "White Sulphur Spring" is shown as being east of Elms Blvd. on Regent. The 1926 Sanborn maps shows a small spring house/sales pavilion was located on lot 6 of the Elms Addition, and a well and pump house to the east (a portion of the well/pump house is seen on the right side of historic photo below). As this general location has historically been noted as the site of the White Sulphur Spring; it is likely that both the spring house and well/pump house were associated with the same water. White Sulphur Spring was one of three springs owned and operated by the Salt Sulphur Water Company. The waters were in the saline & sulphur (sulpho-saline) laxative mineral water group, and in a promotional brochure published by the company, were said to "have proven highly beneficial in the successful treatment of a great variety of diseases. For indigestion, it gives almost immediate relief. . . White Sulphur water was found to be an invaluable remedy for the treatment of constipation in most cases. Constipation probably causes as much suffering as any other ill to which the body is heir, and which produces numerous other serious and often fatal diseases." This unique water was black until it was exposed to air, when it turned clear. The three waters owned by the Salt Sulphur Water Company - White Sulphur, Salt Sulphur and Blue Rock waters - were sold at two locations: the White Sulphur pavilion, and Harr's pavilion at 206 W. Broadway. Both locations "sold Hot or Cold over the counter at one cent per glass." White Sulphur was one of the ten waters purchased by the city and subsequently piped into the Hall of Waters. It was also used in the swimming pool. Newspaper articles written during the construction of the Hall of Waters described a new well building constructed for the White Sulphur Well, "reconditioned" as part of the PWA project. The plans called for the pump mechanism to be mounted above the surface of the concrete slab, and sheltered by a metal housing. Underneath the slab, a manhole provided access to a pit in which the connection and valve to the pipeline is housed. As the water would no longer be sold privately, it is likely that the sales pavilion was demolished at this time. The extant concrete slab likely dates from the 1936 PWA construction.



1926 Sanborn	Map: "Spring	Ho." on lot 6,
"Well & Pump	Ho." on the I	ot to the east

White Sulphur Analysis	Salts in Solution in Grains Per Gallon
Alumina	0.12
Bicarbonates	26.33
Calcium	14.02
Chlorides	120.50
Iron	0.11
Magnesium	6.62
Potassium	0.47
Silica	0.84
Sodium	88.87
Sulphates	61.49
Total Solids	494.42





Historic photograph of sales pavilion (well house on right)

Historic photograph of sales pavilion



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Clay County Assessor's Office

The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; "White Sulphur Spring, V1.800.500

"White Sulphur Well Nearing Roofing Work," *The Daily Standard* (18 November 1936). "Work Nearing Completion on White Sulphur," *The Daily Standard* (25 November 1936).

40. (cont.) Description of environment and outbuildings. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The small, irregularly shaped parcel is on the west bank of the river, just west of the bridge and north of the intersection of Isley Blvd. and Regent Av. There are two small planting beds, one of railroad ties and the other marked by concrete paving stones. The planting beds have shrubs, and the remainder of the lot has small deciduous trees lining the river bank. There is also a small wood planter for annuals adjacent to the bridge. Clay County parcel ID: 12-311-00-46-014.00.

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages. The hexagon-shaped concrete slab and well manhole cover for the White Sulphur well are located on the east side of the alley behind 505 Elms Blvd. Each side of the slab is approximately six feet long, and the slab is less than a foot above grade.