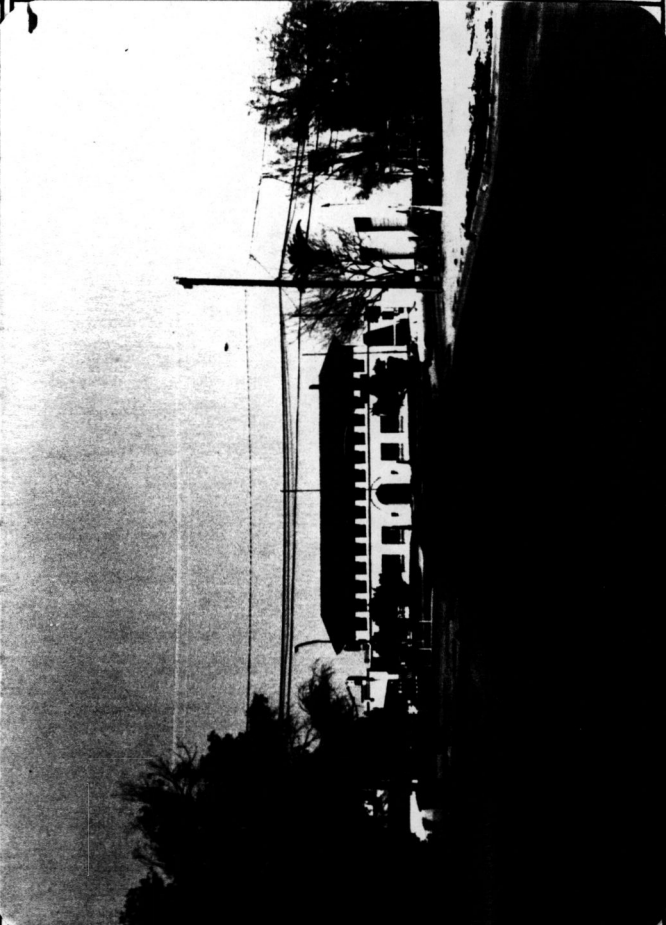


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ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Casa Grande Union High School and Gymnasium		COUNTY Pinal County	INVENTORY NO. 146
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Casa Grande Union High School and Gymnasium			
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 420 East Florence Blvd.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Casa Grande		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 506-07-348	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Pinal Co. School District 82		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX			
CITY, TOWN Florence,	STATE Arizona	ZIP	
FORM PREPARED BY Janus Associates Inc.		DATE 9/82	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 2121 South Priest Suite 127		PHONE 967-7117	
CITY, TOWN Tempe,	STATE Arizona	ZIP 85282	
PHOTO BY Casa Grande Survey Volunteer		DATE June 1982	
VIEW looking north			
HISTORIC USE school			
PRESENT USE school		ACREAGE	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER J. J. Garfield Contractor Lyman & Place Architect/high school			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES G. F. Fergus, Built 1921 Gym built 1936			



contr.
gym

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

portion of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and a portion of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20, T6S, R6E, 14.10 acres.

USGS QUAD - CASA GRANDE EAST

UTM references on continuation sheet

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GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

United States Department of the Interior
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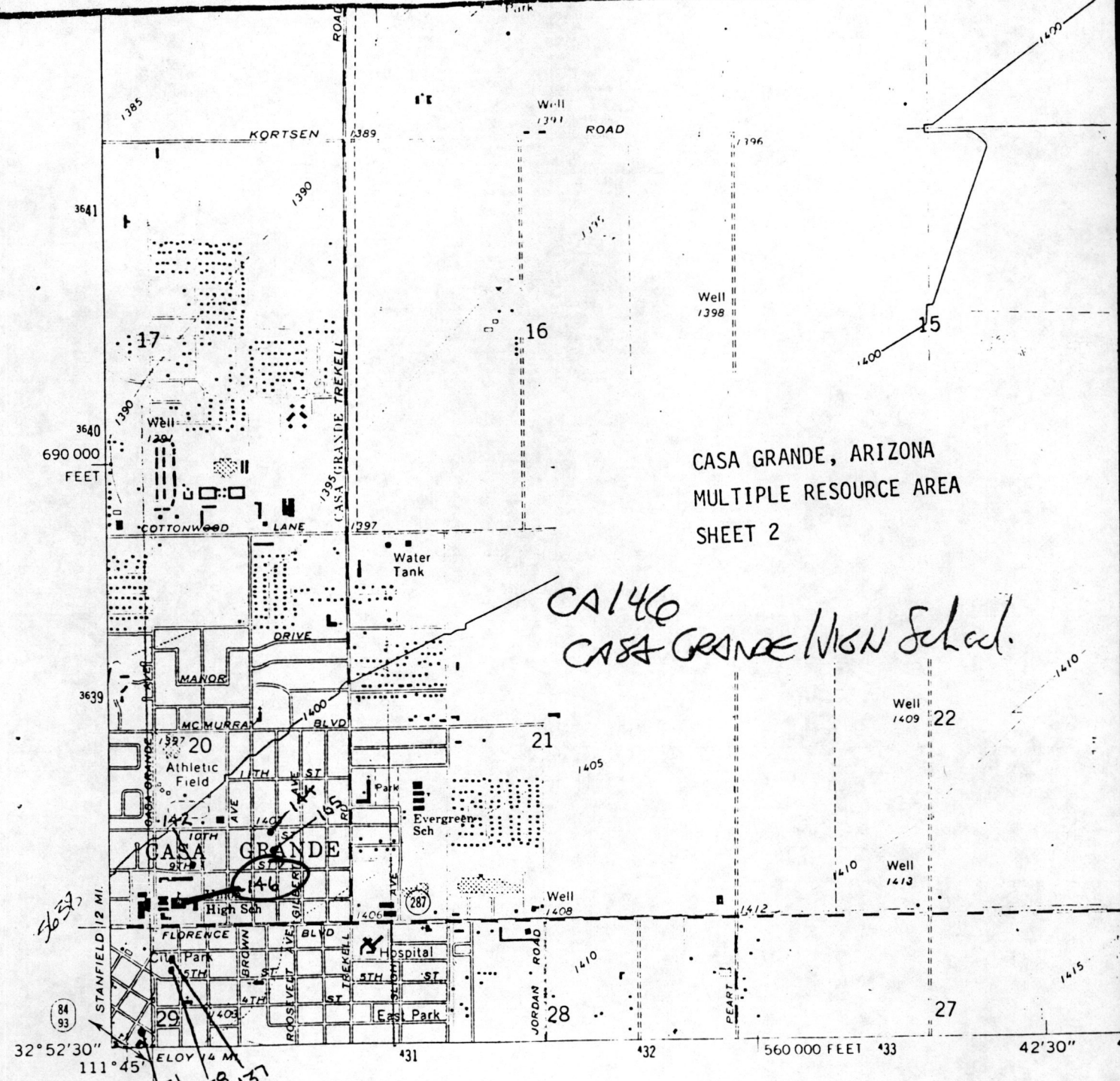
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CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA
MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA
SHEET 2

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CASA GRANDE HIGH School.



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Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1963 and planetable surveys 1965

Polyconic projection. 10,000-foot grid ticks based on Arizona coordinate system, central zone
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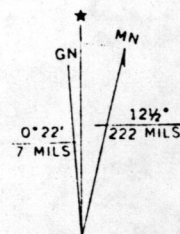
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown

Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence lines

A portion of the southeast quarter of this map lies within a subsidence area

Vertical control based on latest available adjustment

There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of the National or State reservations shown on this map



UTM GRID AND 1982 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

Revisions shown in purple and woodland compiled from aerial photographs taken 1978 and other sources. This information not field checked. Map edited 1982

FOR

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Casa Grande Union High School and Gymnasium
(Casa Grande MRA)
Pinal County
ARIZONA

Substantive Review

Working No. JUN 27 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 7-25-85 — 8-11-85
Action: ACCEPT
RETURN 7-25-85
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: *Architecturally significant as an example of Spanish Colonial Revival in Casa Grande, high school also reflects an important milestone in education locally. YBD needs clarification - Is entire 14,000 acre site being nominated? If so, 36 TMS are needed. If not, what part YBD needs to specify which portion in terms of dimensions, parcel, or other indicators of space nominated.*
Recom./Criteria Return
Reviewer L. McClellan
Discipline Arch. Hist.
Date 7/25/85
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☒ technical corrections cited below
☒ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
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8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- ☐ summary paragraph
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- ☐ clarity
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- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

XUTM References Nominated area 14.10 acres - Please provide 3 or more UTM Reference points.

Verbal boundary description and justification

Please clarify whether 14.10 is the
nominated portion including 1920 high school & gym (1936)
or whether a smaller parcel is being nominated. If the

11. Form Prepared By

Latter is true, please specify the

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

hmda McClelland

Signed

Linda McClelland

Date

2/25/88

Phone:

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343-9536

6/27/85

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USGS QUAD - CASA GRANDE EAST

UTM references on continuation sheet

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GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

The boundary surrounding only the historic school building is indicated on the attached sketch map.

United States Department of the Interior
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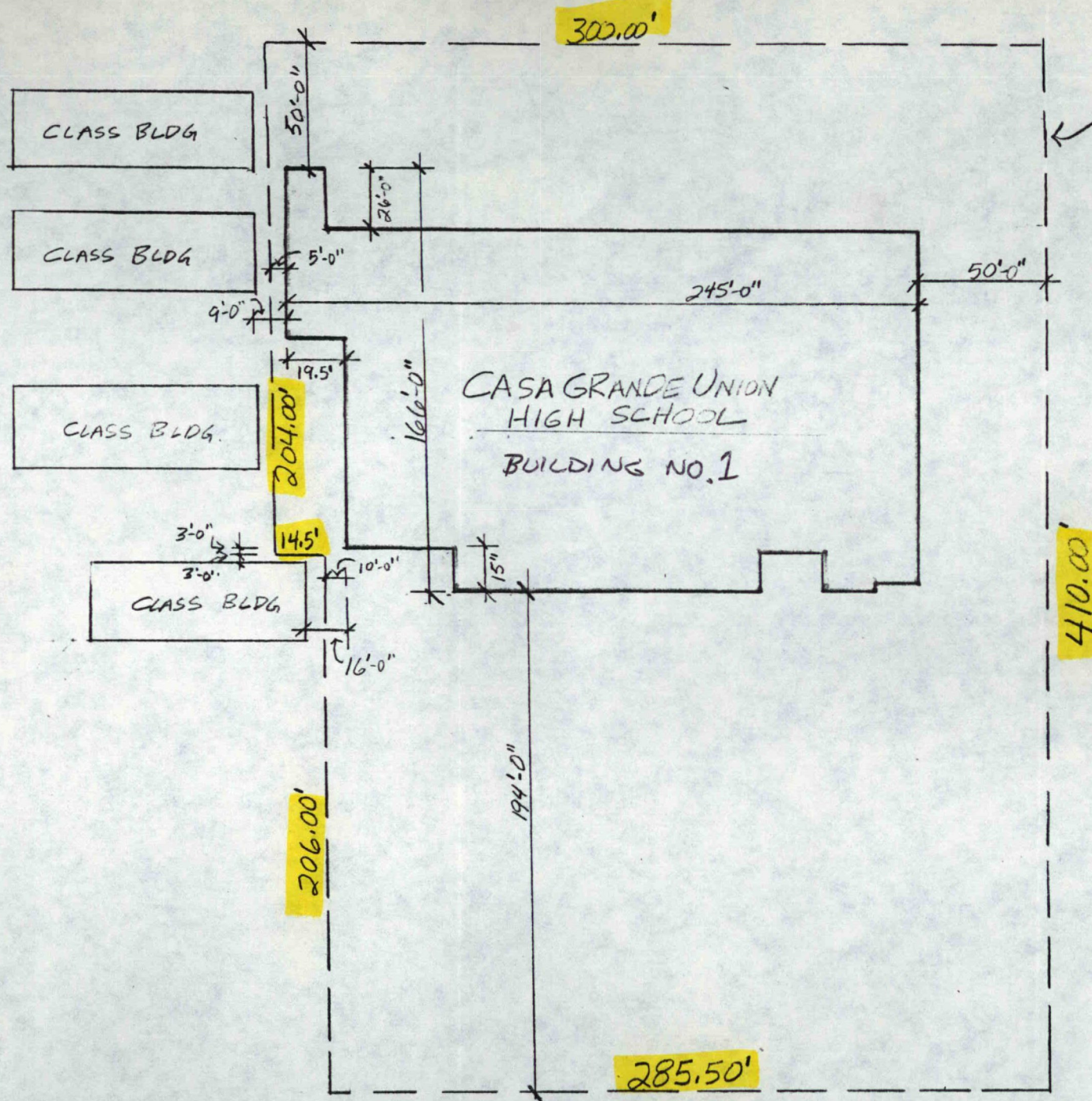
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NATIONAL REGISTER
BOUNDARY LINE

↑
NORTH
SCALE 1"=60'-0"

TOTAL AREA 2.755 ACRES

← FLORENCE BLVD →

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Casa Grande Multiple Resource Area

State Pinal County, ARIZONA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Casa Grande Union High
School and Gymnasium

Substantive Review Keeper

Linda McCallan 2/3/86

Attest

32. Day, Judge William T.
House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

William Byers 7/25/85

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

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(Casa Grande MRA)
Pinal County
ARIZONA

Substantive Review

Working No. 6/27/85
0411061986

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-3-87

Date Due: 3/2/86

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 2-3-86

☐ RETURN

☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

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Reviewer's comments:

10 clarified &
Vb d (sketch map)
provided.

Recom./Criteria Accept - A+C

Reviewer McClalland

Discipline A. Hist

Date 2/3/86

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State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title date

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- ☐ Maps
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Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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High School & Gymnasium

S. from 6th Street & Cameron

Negative Roll-1, Frame-27

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Casa Grande Union High School
Casa Grande, Arizona
Photo by: William Kozar, May 1985
Negative at: Casa Grande Valley
Historical Society
View: looking north at facade



Casa Grande Union High School

Casa Grande, Arizona

Photo by: William Kozar, May 1985

Negative at: Casa Grande Valley
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View: looking south at rear elevation,
including gymnasium addition
(arched roof)

