

City of Salmon Arm Community Heritage Register

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Dodd/Hanna Orchards
3181 11 Avenue NE
Salmon Arm, B.C.
1907

Description

Dodd/Hanna Orchards is a 4 hectare (10 acre) parcel of land northeast of the intersection of the Trans Canada Highway and 30 Street NE fronting 11 Avenue NE in the North Broadview area of Salmon Arm, British Columbia. The farm contains orchards that extend onto adjoining properties to the north and east, a house, and a farmer's market and garden centre. The historic place includes the buildings and the site.



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Values

Originally established in 1907 by Edwin and Sarah Dodd, great-grand parents of the present Hanna family, Dodd/Hanna Orchards is valued for its historic and cultural significance within the community, particularly for its continuous association with the Hanna family and as one of the oldest active orchards in Salmon Arm.

Although the letters patent for the original acreage were received as early as 1899, the orchards were not established until 1907 when Edwin and Sarah Dodd took ownership. The orchards are still active 106 years later and in recognition of this achievement, Dodd/Hanna Orchards received its Century Farm Award in 2007. Over time, the historic place has evolved to include other enterprises, including a thriving expanded farm sales and garden centre business, but Dodd/Hanna Orchards symbolizes the enduring presence of orchards and agriculture within the community.

The house on the property is significant, as the original Arts and Crafts inspired, wooden shake clad house is still standing, although it has been renovated, stuccoed and added to over the years as various family members have occupied it. It was constructed circa 1922 by Fred Dodd, son of Edwin and Sarah, and is an integral part of the continued operation of the orchards. Ownership passed to Adella Hanna, daughter of Edwin and Sarah. Members of the Hanna family currently reside in the house.

Dodd/Hanna Orchards is also important for its association with James Cuthbert (Bert) and Adella (Della) Hanna. Bert Hanna served on the municipal Council for six years, was a member of the Salmon Arm Farmers' Exchange and a governor of the British Columbia Fruit Growers Association.

Character Defining Elements

Key elements that define the heritage character of Dodd/Hanna Orchards include:

Site:

- Received its Century Farm Award in 2007
- Active orchards covering most of the site
- Continued agricultural use, including fruit growing, the farmer's market and garden centre
- Association with the Dodd/Hanna family

Buildings:

- Arts and Crafts inspired original design
- Original structure incorporated into the current residence, which is occupied by members of the Hanna family
- Gable dormers on second storey
- Agricultural use of accessory buildings on the farm