

Fitzsimons General Hospital, Covered Picnic Area  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 136)  
North Hickey Street, North of Building No. 133  
Aurora  
Adams County  
Colorado

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FITZSIMONS GENERAL HOSPITAL, COVERED PICNIC AREA  
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For information on the history of Fitzsimons General Hospital, see HABS No. CO-172. For information on other structures at the Hospital, see HABS No. CO-172-A through CO-172-CI.

- Location: Fitzsimons General Hospital, Covered Picnic Area  
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- Significance: The pavilion functioned in the treatment of tuberculosis at Fitzsimons Army Medical Hospital. It was the belief that fresh air and sunlight were beneficial in the treatment of the disease. The pavilion allowed patients to enjoy some activities outdoors.
- Description: This open, frame, south-facing, square, covered picnic area rests on four, square, concrete pads. The low-pitched hipped roof is covered with shingles. The entrance to the pavilion is located at the south side of the structure. There are wooden benches on the interior, as well as two wooden tables.
- History: Building 136 was constructed in the 1920s. The building functioned as part of the treatment philosophy the hospital had for its tubercular patients. It was thought that fresh air and sunlight were instrumental in the treatment of tuberculosis. This pavilion allowed for ambulatory patients to relax in the outdoors.
- There have been no known changes to the pavilion since its construction. It currently serves the same function for outdoor recreation.
- Sources: Cultural Resources Study: Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Final Submittal, 15 August 1991, prepared by Front Range Research Associates, Inc., Denver
- "Real Property Record-Buildings and Structures"  
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Project

Information: This structure will be demolished to clear the site for two Military Construction, Army (MCA) projects. The first MCA project is the Central Energy Plant, which is needed to support the second MCA project, the New Hospital project.

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