



Evaluation of Onsite Historic Derricks

Grant	\$8,900
Organization	Springs Preserve Foundation, Las Vegas Valley Water District
Year	2018
	<p>Springs Preserve is a 180-acre cultural institution listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1978. The site, known as the “birthplace of Las Vegas,” served as the original source of water for Native people in the Las Vegas Valley. Las Vegas Valley Water District owns and operates Springs Preserve, and Springs Preserve Foundation is its non-profit governing board. The Centennial Commission has awarded several grants to the Springs Preserve including the following for research.</p> <p>\$8,900.00 (2018) to retain a consultant to conduct an investigatory evaluation of the historic water well derricks on site. The study included field investigation into the existing conditions of the historic structures and the production of a report on potential options for restoration and rehabilitation. The results of the study determined that three derricks were previously restored and remain in good condition, but each requires a modest amount of maintenance. One derrick has had no previous work and is located on a site that has subsided. The derrick is under considerable unanticipated stress and several of the timbers are broken or missing. Various restoration options were explored and described in detail along with the construction and restoration pros and cons for each option.</p> <p>https://www.springspreserve.org/</p>