



**A & D. PLEASANT VALLEY RANCH ON LAKE CATAMOUNT
County Road 18, 12 miles south of Steamboat Springs**

Two hewn-log buildings, the cobbled foundation bunkhouse (1930), and the dirt floor shop and occasional forge (1942), are the contributing structures of the Fussell Ranch, a continuously occupied property since 1896 that reflects the history and development of Pleasant Valley. The property was originally part of a 160-acre ranching operation patented by Dixon Fussell then deeded in 1910 to Floyd and Maud Frazier, who constructed the first log cabin on the land in 1915. In 1920, the property was deeded to the Pleasant Valley Ranch Company, which raised sheep and cattle and provided a safe harbor for many travelers journeying between Oak Creek Canyon and Steamboat Springs during long winter snowstorms. The two outbuildings, in continual use as housing for ranch personnel and travelers since their construction, today represent background buildings of Pleasant Valley's built environment.