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Ms. Jennifer Farrar

October 11, 2018


Dear Ms. Farrar:

Thank you for inquiry regarding the **Swallow School** at W299 N5614 County Road E in **Hartland, Waukesha County**. The staff of the Division of Historic Preservation has had the opportunity to carefully review your questionnaire response to evaluate its potential for listing in the State and National Registers of Historic Places. Staff has explored multiple options, reviewing the building for eligibility under numerous National Register criteria.

The Swallow School is composed of an early one-room school portion along with later, much larger additions and expansions. The school as a whole has been altered over time and creating what is today a unified, very large school building. Based on the information provided, we cannot say the building would be eligible for listing. In order to meet the Park Service criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places a building must retain its historic integrity. Although this school is an important building to the history of the community its many exterior and interior alterations render it ineligible. While we understand that this is disappointing news because of your work to preserve this property, please know that our determination is based on the strict requirements of the National Register program. This opinion should not affect the pride the community has in this building. I understand you have requested this evaluation due to a potential threat of demolition to one part that contains the one-room school house portion of the Swallow School. If demolition is being considered, perhaps a building move would be an option to preserving the one-room school.

Again, we would like to thank you for your inquiry and interest in our program. If you have further questions about National Register eligibility, please feel free to call me at (608) 264-6501.

Sincerely,


Peggy Veregin
Architectural Historian
National Register Coordinator

cc: Melissa Thompson, Superintendent, Swallow School District, W299 N5614 County Road E, Hartland, WI 53028

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