

# Barn 8

Functional Use &  
Summary of Actions

March 12, 2026



# SUDDEN VALLEY

# SVCA Community Center

- Barn 8 is the centerpiece of the recreation corridor and houses the recreation offices, Dance Barn, Fitness Center, meeting rooms, and pool mechanicals.
- The building was not designed to hold all of these different activities; it has grown over time and is currently a patchwork of rooms, systems, and structures, many of which are inadequate.
- Disagreement about the structural condition of Barn 8 has prevented the Association from completing projects to improve or even maintain the building.
- This presentation will summarize what we know about the building, its condition, and the costs of repair, then go on to examine how we use the barn today, and the practical considerations that should influence decision-making about how to move forward.

# History

- A history of the buildings that comprised SVCA's recreation corridor was published in 2014. At that time there were three barns: the Ice Barn (Barn 6), the Mid-Barn (Barn 7), and the Dance Barn (Barn 8).
- An excerpt from the report tells us when the barns were built:

*“The earliest available aerial photo at the Assessor’s office (1961) of the parcel where the barns are located . . . clearly shows the mid-barn, but neither of the other two barns. Chronologically, the next available photo (1969) at the Assessor’s office shows all three barns in their current locations.*

- A link to the 2014 report is available at <https://suddenvally.com/board/>

# Original Use

- The property now owned by SVCA was originally a working ranch. The barns were built as agricultural storage / animal housing.
- Barns 6 and 7 were built as pole barns, with long vertical “poles” sunk into the ground to hold up the structure. This construction method contributed to the decay of Barn 7, which was torn down in 2013. Many of the poles in Barn 6 have rotted, making it necessary to tear it down also.
- Barn 8 has a partial foundation. Repairing and adding to that foundation is one of the structural repairs that was recommended by Kingworks Engineering in 2024.

# Timeline

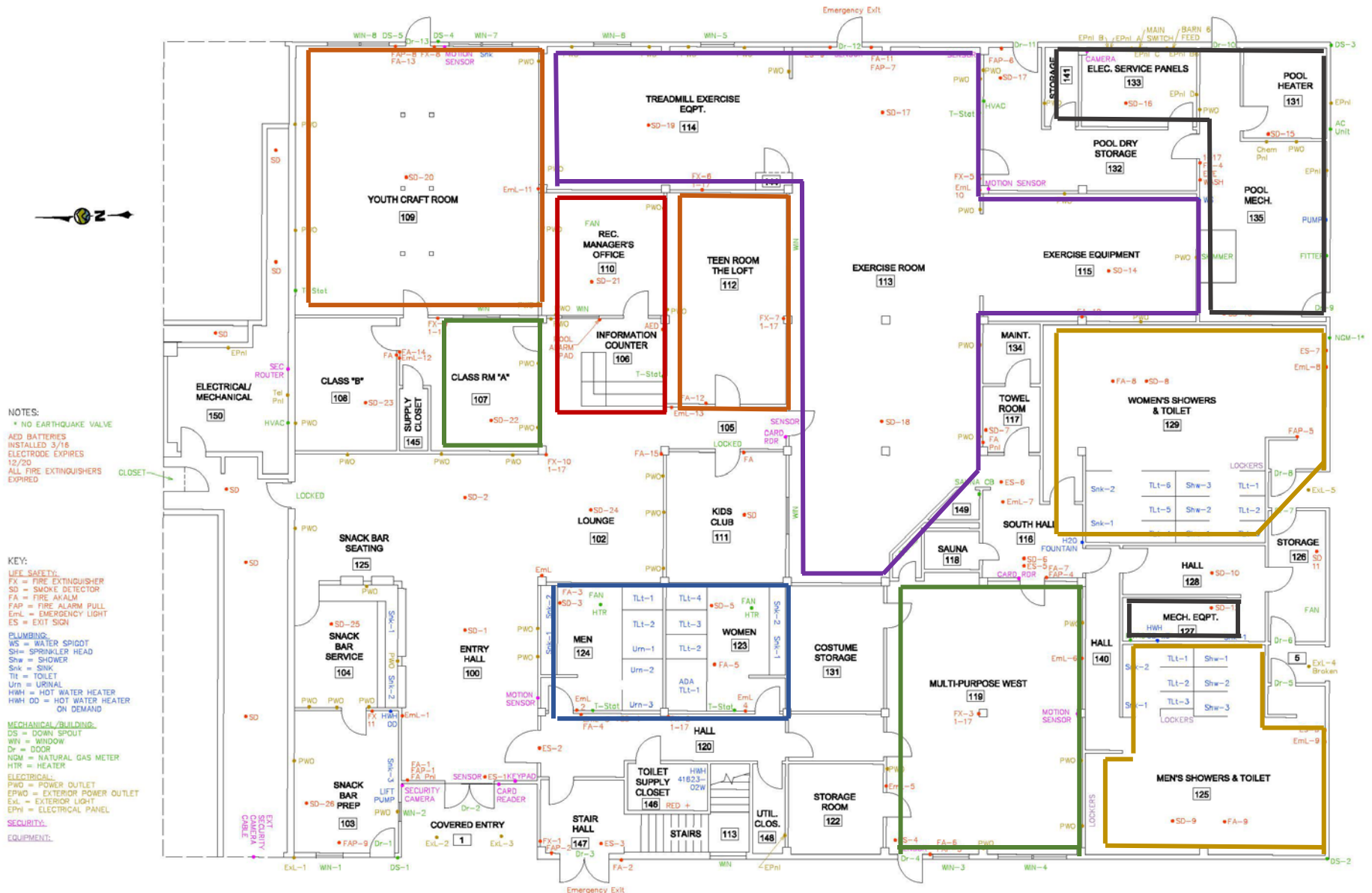
Date	Report	Content Notes	Outcome
October 2013	AIRO Property Condition Assessment	<p>Barn 6 evaluation noted that many of the posts holding up the structure were rotted and that the roof needed to be replaced.</p> <p>Barn 8 evaluation noted that the building was in good to fair condition, but multiple issues existed with the flat roof and siding.</p>	<p>The decision was made not to go forward with roof repairs on Barn 6 due to the high cost of replacing the rotted posts.</p> <p>No repairs were made to Barn 8.</p>
March 2017	Wilson Engineering Evaluation	<i>“The building, from a structural point of view, is capable of being revitalized and repurposed.”</i>	None of the recommended repairs or improvements were made.
March 2017	K Engineers Inspection Report	Identifies electrical shortcomings in Barn 8.	None of the recommended repairs were made.
January 2020	Kingworks Barn 8 Investigation	<p>Report is based on visual inspection and detailed knowledge of Barn 7.</p> <p><i>“It is our opinion that if the community would like to have significant changes or change of occupancy with regard to Barn 8, the structure is most likely cheaper to demolish and rebuild rather than trying to bring the existing structure up to code compliant loads.”</i></p>	In 2024, a full structural evaluation was commissioned to confirm or contradict the findings of the 2020 report.
November 2024	Kingworks Full Structural Evaluation	<p>Surface finished were removed to allow for direct inspection of a selection of the structural members.</p> <p>Report include 16 recommendations for improving the structural performance of Barn 8.</p> <p><i>“. . . in our opinion, appropriate factors of safety are not available to protect the structure from future damage or failure in the event of extreme load events (like high occupancy loads, severe wind events, or earthquakes) or in the event that hidden defects or damage are exacerbated.</i></p>	The board instructed the LRPC to propose a plan to address the issues of Barns 6 & 8

# SUDDEN VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## BARN 8 – FIRST FLOOR

### First Floor Uses:

- Front Desk
- Rec Offices
- Restrooms
- Game Room
- Play Space
- Meeting Rooms
- Fitness Center
- Locker Rooms
- Pool Mechanicals



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## BARN 8 – SECOND FLOOR

### Second Floor Uses:

- Large Meetings
- Events

