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Gold Rush to Ghost Town: Silver City, an Analysis and Documentation of the Built Landscape - Settlement to Abandonment

Abstract:

Silver City, located on Kluane Lake in the Yukon Territory of Canada, is a historic frontier mining settlement dating from the Kluane Gold Rush of 1903-1904. The settlement is one of only a handful of such historic locations, from which detailed information regarding, the built landscape, vernacular architecture and detailed photography potential of log cabins is obtainable. The site is a valuable historic and archaeological site in need of documentation and preservation, and is presently threatened with multiple natural and anthropogenic destructive elements. Through the process of systematic research, and field work, an initial level of preservation through documentation can be achieved.