



## **TAG Meridian Water Tower NRHP Progress Update**

**July 17, 2026**

TAG with Jeffrey Holley, M.A., conducted a site visit on March 3, 2026, with members of the Meridian Historic Preservation Commission and the City of Meridian Public Works Department, Water Division. During the site visit the water tower and the surrounding property were photographed in accordance with National Park Service documentation standards

TAG attended the March 26, 2026, Meridian Historic Preservation Commission meeting to introduce the project and provide an initial status update.

Research was conducted throughout April, May, and June using City of Meridian records, Meridian Public Library collections, historic newspapers, online resources, and materials provided by the City of Meridian. Barbara Perry Bauer worked with Dennis Teller of the Meridian Public Works Department, Water Division, who supplied digital copies of the original engineering plans and related project documentation. Additional fieldwork included a June site visit to Desert Sage Estates to photograph the relocated 1910 Meridian water tower for comparative documentation.

Preparation of the National Register of Historic Places nomination is well underway. A draft nomination has been completed, with Jeffrey Holley assisting in the preparation of the architectural description and technical review of the water tower.

A draft of the nomination is attached for review. Remaining work includes:

- Expanding the municipal water system history in the Statement of Significance.
- Completing the Criterion A and Criterion C significance discussions.
- Finalizing citations and bibliography.
- Preparing maps, photographs, and photograph log.
- Completing final edit and formatting of the nomination.

TAG will attend the August 27, 2026, Meridian Historic Preservation Commission meeting to provide a final project update and present the completed nomination.