1.Title / Content Area:	The Floodwaters Return: Saving Our Historic Places
2. Historic Site:	Little Church of the Pines and Meadow Lark House Shelter
3. Episode	https://www.pbs.org/video/colorado-experience-big-thompson-flood/
4. Developed by:	Laura Israelsen, Chesterfield County Public Schools
	Michelle Pearson, Adams 12 Five Star Schools
5. Grade Level:	6-8
	6th: History 1.1, 1.2, Geography 2.2
	7th: History 1.1, 1.2, Geography 2.2
	8th: History 1.1, 1.2, Geography 2.2
6. Assessment Question:	What happens to buildings after disaster strikes?
7. Contextual Paragraph	When the Big Thompson Flood was over, lives, homes, cars, and swaths of the canyon were lost. People took time to reflect, others time to rebuild, and others took time to plan. Many people did not want to even think about another flood.  Then in 2013 it happened again. With fast flowing water coming down Boulder Creek and the Big Thompson River, and rain that continued for eight days, over 345 structures were destroyed. Today, in 2017, many communities have still not fully recovered. Roads in Poudre, Big Thompson, and Boulder Canyons are still being repaired.
	The Boulder Daily Camera completed an excellent documentary series on the recent flood and information can be located at:  http://www.dailycamera.com/news/boulder-flood/ci_24148258/boulder-county-colora do-flood-2013-survival-100-rain-100-year-flood For information on the Big Thompson flood:  http://www.assessment.ucar.edu/flood/flood_summaries/07_31_1976.html





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8. Connection to Historic	Little Church in the Pines was placed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1989,	
Preservation	and Meadow Park Shelter House was added to the State Register in 1993. Both	
	locations play(ed) a significant role in their community as community gathering places,	
	and as local landmarks for citizens. The History Colorado State Historical Fund	
	played an instrumental role in providing emergency stabilization funds for historic	
	properties that were impacted by the floods in 2013 and continues to provide	
	assistance in other emergencies as well. Resources can be located at:	
	www.historycolorado.org/content/flood-resources	

# **Document Based Question (DBQ)**

## **Document Set**

#### Little Church in the Pines





http://www.historycolorado.org/news-room/histor y-colorado-state-historical-fund-emergency-grantshelp-historic-properties-live-anot

# **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Examine the Little Church in the Pines building and the destruction around it from the flood. What surprises you?
- 2. How was the front of the building at risk?
- 3. Look closely at the third photograph. How was the building shored up to protect and preserve the original structure?

### Little Church in the Pines, Salina, CO



http://www.dailycamera.com/features/ci\_2438654 3/community-spirit-saves-salinas-little-church-pines -after-boulder-county-flooding

#### **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

- 1. How can you tell a flood came through this area?
- 2. What are the challenges this church faced after the flood washout?
- 3. What type of building structure(s) are exposed underneath the church?
- 4. Why is it better to repair the damage than let the building collapse?

# Meadow Park Shelter, Lyons Park, CO



https://livingnewdeal.org/projects/meadow-park-s helter-house-lyons-co/

#### **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

- 1. What features are special about this building?
- 2. Why do you suppose it would be important to protect and preserve the building after a flood?
- 3. What materials can be reused in a building after a flood? Explain.

# Meadow Park CO State Register Nomination Selection ( Significance Statement )



http://gis.co.gov/OAHP\_Images/5BL/383/5BL\_383c\_Nomination.pdf

( Access through the OAHP COMPASS system )

#### **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

- 1. The community of Lyons wrote the significance statement of the shelter when they applied for the shelter to be listed in the state register of historic places in 1993. Why did they feel it was important to be added to the register?
- 2. How did this shelter contribute to the sense of place in Lyons?
- 3. Why would it be important to landmark a park?

Meadow Park Shelter, Lyons, CO	GUIDING QUESTIONS:
	<ol> <li>How does this shelter differ from the one that was previously in its place?</li> <li>What remnants of the original shelter are there?</li> <li>How has the footprint of the building changed?</li> <li>What materials remain the same in the new shelter?</li> </ol>
https://tincantourists.com/blog/venue/lavern-m-jo hnson-park/	

Assessment Question
What happens to buildings after disaster strikes?
Response