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## GHOST TOWNS

### **24-80-1201. Ghost towns – historical society may designate.**

- (1) To assist in preserving historical monuments of Colorado, the state historical society of Colorado may designate any appropriate area within the state as a ghost town, unless the private or public owner of such property objects.
- (2) Upon designation of an area as a ghost town, the state historical society shall erect the necessary number of signs, markers, or plaques at the site of such ghost town to apprise persons of the designation of such area as a ghost town, the name of the ghost town, the historical significance of the ghost town, other pertinent historical data, and the penalty for destruction or vandalism to the ghost town. Each such sign, marker, or plaque shall also bear the inscription: "The historical heritage of the state of Colorado can only be preserved by the citizens themselves."

**Source:** L. 73: p. 1388, § 1. C.R.S. 1963: § 131-15-1.

### **24-80-1202. Destruction of ghost town – penalty.**

No person shall destroy damage, deface, or take anything from an area designated and marked as a ghost town by the state historical society, except by the owner or the designated agent of the owner of such property. Any person violating this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**Source:** L. 73: p. 1388, § 1. C.R.S. 1963: § 131-15-2.

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