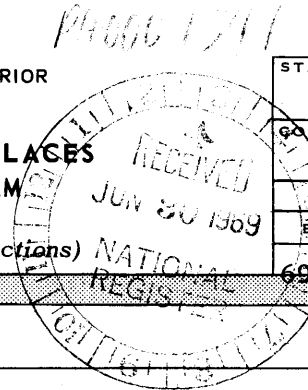


**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)



STATE: MAINE	
COUNTY: Lincoln	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 69-10-18-0004	DATE 10/1/69

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Fort William Henry

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
~~Bristol~~ Penobscot Beach vicinity

STATE: Maine CODE: 04539 COUNTY: Lincoln CODE: 04539

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No: <input type="checkbox"/>			

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	State Memorial	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME:  
State of Maine

STREET AND NUMBER:  
State House

CITY OR TOWN: Augusta STATE: Maine CODE: 04330

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
Lincoln County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Wiscasset STATE: Maine CODE: 04578

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 Acre

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>		Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moved <input type="checkbox"/>		Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Fort William Henry is a replica of the original Fort William Henry. The replica was built in 1908, and is in sound condition. The fort has a diameter of approximately 35 feet, and is about 25 feet in height. Basically, it is of stone construction, and has necessary modern fixtures such as glass windows, air vents, and wooden floors.

Within the fort are numerous display cases containing artifacts. There are also several interpretive panels which develop the history of the fort for visitors.

The present condition of this replica has changed little since its construction.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

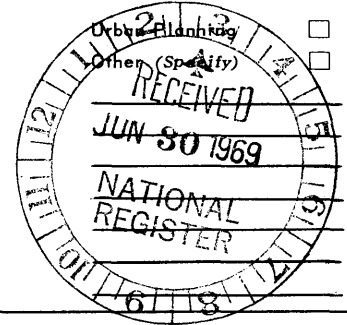
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century  built  
 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1692 - 1696 (replica built 1908)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric	Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi-	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	losophy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agriculture	Invention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art	Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communications	Literature	<input type="checkbox"/>	itarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conservation	Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

History of Fort William Henry Memorial

This circular structure is a replica of the original Fort William Henry.

This is an historic area well known to the early explorers. We are told that this is the only site in the United States where four different forts have been built on the same site.

The first was Fort Pen<sup>a</sup>quid consisting of a stockade built about 1670 as defense against pirates. It fell to the pirate, Dixie Bull, in 1632.

Fort Char<sup>l</sup>es, a wooden structure, was erected in 1677 by Governor Andros. It was destroyed by the Penobscot Indians in 1689. The original Fort William Henry was built in 1692, during King William's War, by a native of Maine, Sir William Phipps, the first Royal Governor of Massachusetts. Sir William, youngest of 21 sons, was a native of Arrowsic, 15 miles west--as the crow flies. He acquired fame and fortune by finding sunken Spanish treasure in the West Indies. The nearby town of Phippsburg was named for him.

Fort William Henry, when built, was the largest and strongest stone fort in America. In 1696 Indian Forces under Baron deCastine and D'Iberville and 3 French Men-of-War captured it and leveled it to the ground.

In 1729 Fort Frederick was built and named for the Prince of Wales. It was destroyed during the American Revolution by the local residents to prevent the British from occupying it. The first child born in Fort William Henry was William North who became a general under George Washington during the American Revolution.

Near the fort there are remains of many old cellars and at least two paved streets which lend support to the idea that at one time this was a community of considerable size.

Some of these artifacts are displayed in the fort.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Dunnack, Henry E., Maine Forts, Augusta, Maine  
(Charles E. Nash & Son 1924), Pages 107, 197 and 246.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE							
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE					
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES			
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: Donald Holmstrom, Historian		DATE June 23, 1969	
ORGANIZATION State Park and Recreation Commission			
STREET AND NUMBER: State Office Building			
CITY OR TOWN: Augusta, Maine		STATE Maine	CODE 04330

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name Lawrence Stuart  
Lawrence Stuart

Title Director, State Park & Recreation Commission

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

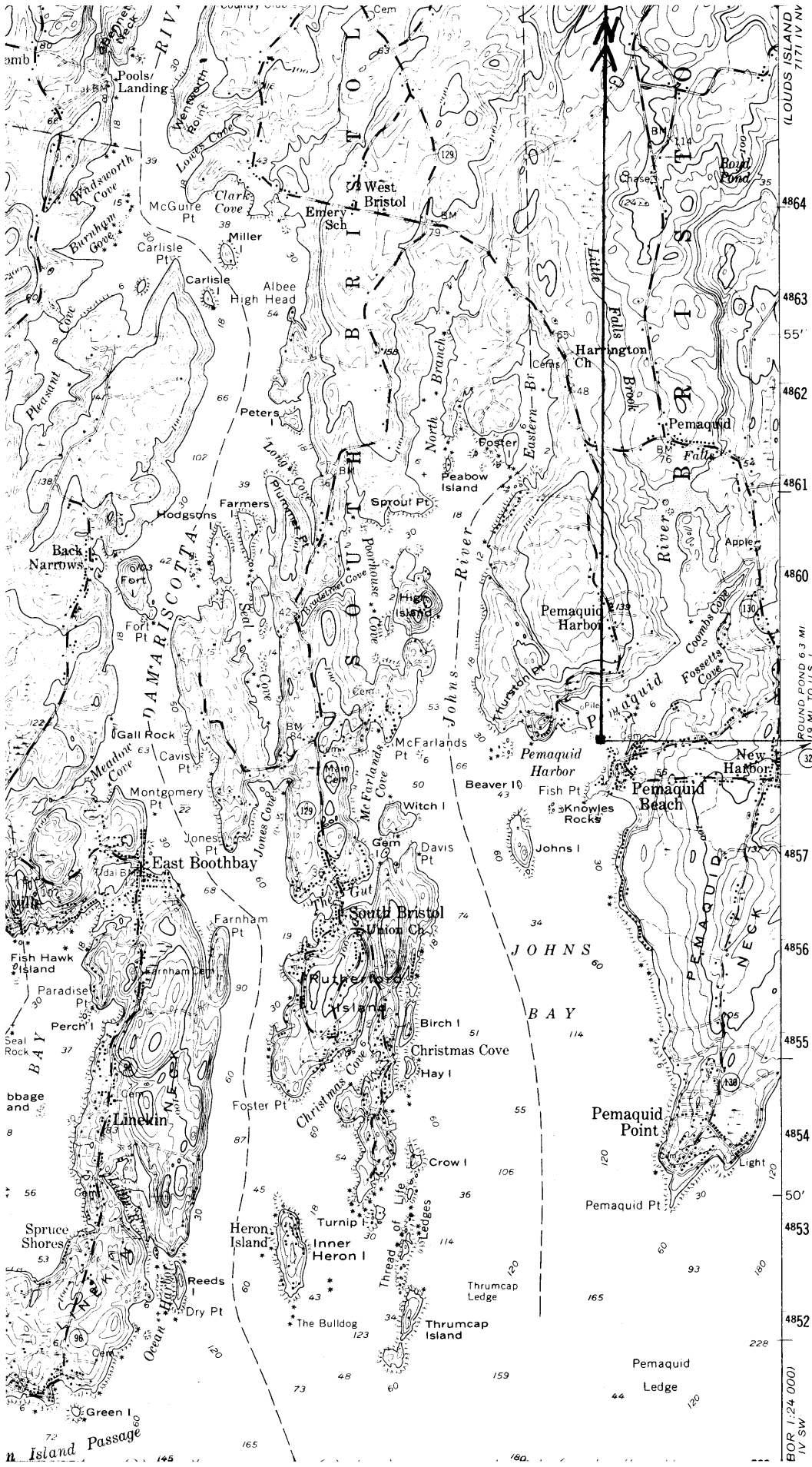
Ernest Allen Connally  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date OCT 1 1969

ATTEST:  
Helleman J. Minter  
Keeper of The National Register

Date SEP 29 1969

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15 Min. Series  
Boothbay, Maine

Fort William Henry  
43° 42' 34" N.Lat.  
69° 31' 25" W.Long.

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4863  
55'  
4862  
4861  
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4856  
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50'  
4853  
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IV SW (Pemaquid Ledge)  
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