

# NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

# PNRO INVENTORY

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Pacific Northwest Region  
Cultural Resources Division

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2001 Sixth Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98121

<b>NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE/SITE</b> PERRY CREEK SHELTER <i>(Building)</i>			<b>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION</b>  1937		<b>SITE ID. NO.</b> <table border="1" style="width:100%; height: 20px;"><tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></table>														
<b>SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION</b> On north side of Little Beaver trail, approximately 5 miles from Ross Lake			<b>ADDITION(S)</b>		<b>SCALE</b> 1:24000		<b>QUAD NAME</b> Mt. Spickard												
<b>DISTRICT</b> Skagit			<b>COUNTY</b> Whatcom		<b>STATE</b> Washington		<b>UTM ZONE</b> 10	<b>EASTING</b> 635100		<b>NORTHING</b> 5420120									
<b>OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS</b> National Park Service			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>CONTRIBUTING</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NON-CONTRIBUTING</b>		<b>CROSS REFERENCE</b> NOCA Bldg. #1208 / I-3														
<b>DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.</b> Shelter. Wood frame set on 1/2-round log post foundation; rectangle (12' x 16'5"); 1-story; wood shake siding (on 3 sides) over round log construction; wood-shaked saltbox roof with slightly extended eaves and extended ridgeline; entrance opening on south. Exterior features include exposed log purlins and rafters.			<b>CURRENT USE</b> Shelter		<b>DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN														
<b>ORIGINAL USE</b> Shelter																			

As early as 1916 the USFS had begun an active building program that provided shelters in the backcountry for tourists, hunters and fishermen. This was noted as a new departure in the work of the USFS. The design of the shelters was made with a definite purpose: travelers, campers and fishermen would utilize these structures during summer vacation season. The main object was to encourage camping in certain areas, thus minimizing fire hazards caused by visitors. This shelter was built in 1937 by USFS employee Fred Berry. Berry split cedar and shakes on site for the building. Perry Creek derives its name from Bill Perry, an early-day packer who worked out of Marblemount.

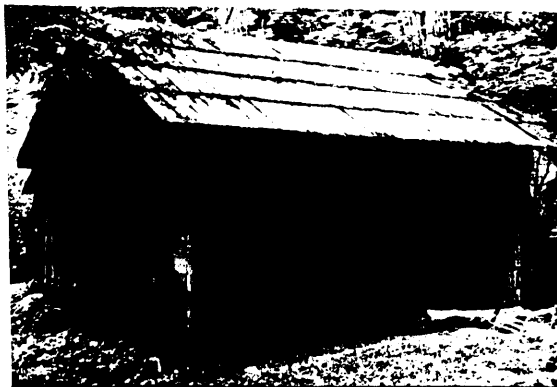
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<b>LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NAME		<b>CONDITION</b> <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	

**SIGNIFICANCE** Eligible under Nat. Reg. Criterion C: significant as a distinct type of building. This is a good example of a 1930s-era USFS-designed backcountry shelter. It reflects the USFS design ethic of utilizing natural/native materials and siting structures with a sensitivity to the environment. Only a few regulation (designed and built according to USFS standards) shelters stand today within the North Cascades; most were removed by the USFS and NPS because of changing needs, philosophy and liability problems. This shelter possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.

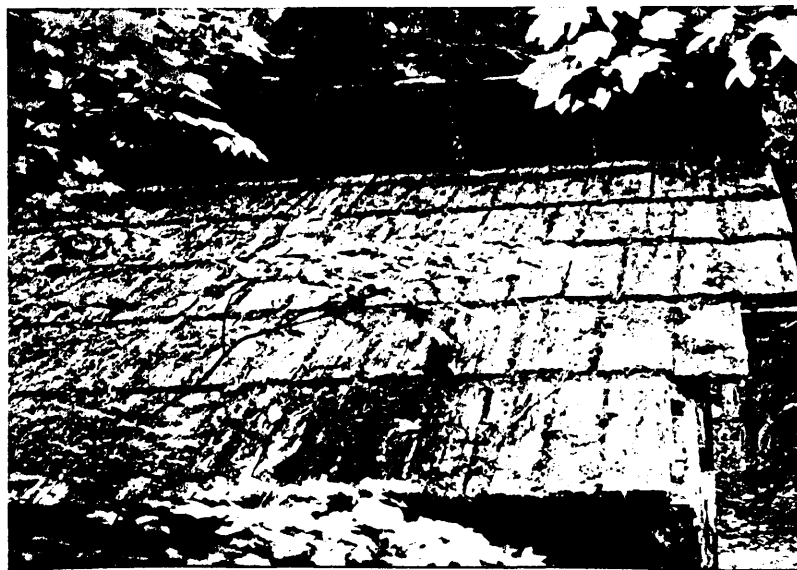
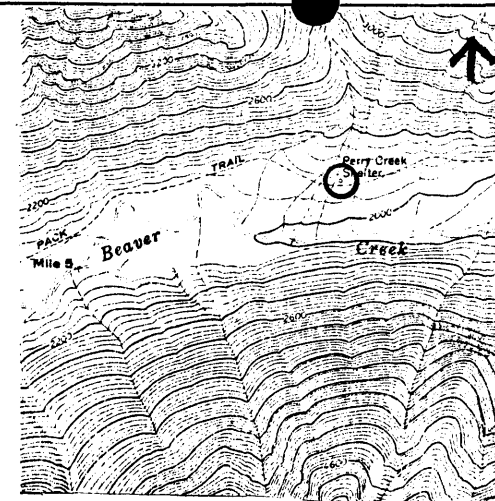
PHOTOGRAPHS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION



FROM W



FROM SW



FROM N

NEGATIVE NO. GL 6-9-15

HABS/HAER QUALITY

YES

NO

REFERENCES

Berry, Fred. *Personal interview, 2 May 1984.*

U.S. Forest Service. *Mt. Baker National Forest, "The Washington Hatchet", November 1916.*

Wilson, Rocky. *Taped interview, 21 April 1970.*

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DATE

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