

FORM A - AREA

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA. 02108

Form numbers in this area	Area letter
K-28-2	511

Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form

Photo number Mills 1 - 7/10/11/12

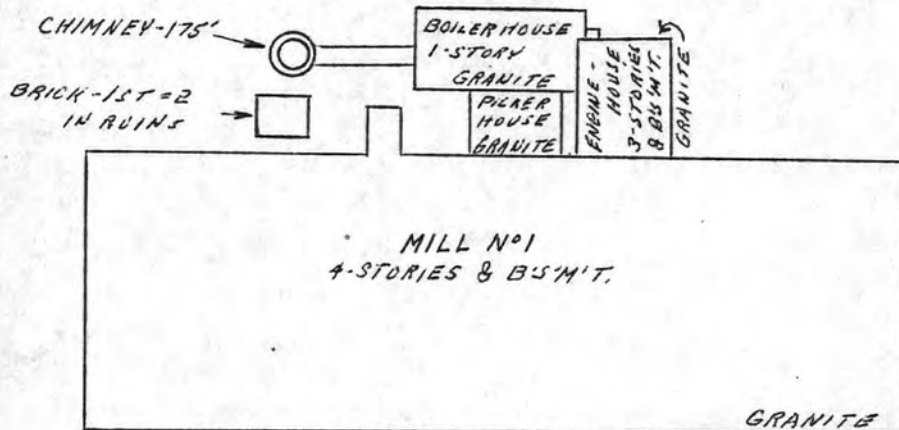
Town Fall River, Mass.

Name of area (if any) Hargraves

Mill #1, Quarry Street

General date or period 1888

Sketch map. Draw a general map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets (including route numbers, if any) and indicate north. (Attach a separate sheet if space here is not sufficient)



QUARRY ST.

Recorded by Pereira/Fox

Organization FROHP

Date 3/24/81

HARGRAVES ST.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Describe physical setting, general character, and architecturally significant structures).

The Hargraves Mill #1 of 1888 is a simple but powerful granite industrial building which has remained largely intact and is notable for its massive front wall buttresses. It stands resolutely along Quarry Street on the east bank of the Quequechan River in the area known as Flint Village. The four-story structure has the wide proportions (246' X 120') associated with English mill design. Except for the five irregularly spaced cut granite buttresses, it is constructed of rough cut stone. The roof is slightly pitched and the cornice line on Quarry Street is broken by four slight pediments. As was typical of 1880's mills, the use of large windows, in this case with T-cross sash and 6/18 lites, increases the ratio of window to wall surface. Auxiliary buildings which remain include the original picker house, boiler house and engine house, all constructed of granite, as well as the 175' original brick chimney. The two later Hargraves Mills are included in the Quequechan Valley Mills District.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Explain development of area, what caused it, and how it affected community; be specific).

The Hargraves Company, incorporated in 1888, was one of nine Fall River textile firms formed during that decade. The original president, Reuben Hargraves, was the son of the founder of the Hargraves Manufacturing Company, which produced soaps and glue substitutes. Along with his brother Thomas, Reuben Hargraves directed the soap company as well as organizing the textile venture. The new company was capitalized at \$400,000 and the first mill on Quarry Street had a capacity of 37,632 spindles and 916 looms. In the 1890's the company decided to expand and purchased land a few miles away on Brayton Avenue. With capital increased to \$800,000, they constructed two additional mills in 1892 and 1893 (for information, see Quequechan Valley Mill Historic District). Capacity of the company in 1920 was 116,498 spindles and 2,901 looms. The Hargraves Co. was taken over by Parker Mills in 1922; the Hargraves #1 was then known as the Parker "C" Mill.

As an important, intact granite industrial building notable for its massive wall buttresses, the Hargraves Mill #1 meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places individually.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Phillip's History of Fall River, Fascicle II, p. 131
American Wool and Cotton Reporter Handbook, 1920
1920 Corporate Millyard Plans
1889 Fall River City Directory
History of Bristol County (1883), p. 325.

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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received 1/5/83

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 5 of 10

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Fall River Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. Foster Spinning Co.

Substantive Review

Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dusen

Attest

42. Globe Yarn Mills

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

43. Granite Mills

Substantive Review

Determined Eligible
Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dusen

Attest

44. Greany Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

45. Hargraves Mill #1

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

46. Hathaway, James D., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

47. Highlands Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

48. Hiker, The, (statue)

Substantive Review

Keeper

RS

Attest

49. House at 108-112 Quarry Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

50. Jesus Marie Convent

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Silenus Byers

Attest

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Hargraves Mill #1 (Fall River MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 1/5/83-15

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/19/87

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 2/16/83

Entered in the ☐ RETURN

National Register ☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom. / Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UMT References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Fall River M.A.A. No.

Mills 1-7

Hargraves #1 Mill

Rear, showing picker house
& boiler room.



Full River MRA, Mo

Mills 1-10

Hargraves #1 Mill
east facade



Full River MRA, Ma

NORTHERN WAREHOUSE

Mills 1-11

Hargraves Mill #1

rear of mill, pickerhouse
w/ chimney, looking west



Fall River MRA, Ma

NORTHERN WAREHOUSE

Mills 1-12

Hargraves #1 Mill

rear view

looking west

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279