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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Porter, Bradford, House
other names/site number Porter, Bradford, House (HK-5)

2. Location

street & number On US 41A, one mile west of the junction of
city, town Nebo KY Hwy 630
state Kentucky code KY county Hopkins code 107 zip code 42441

3. Classification

Table with 3 columns: Ownership of Property, Category of Property, Number of Resources within Property. Includes checkboxes for private/public and building/site/structure/object, and a resource count table.

Name of related multiple property listing: Hopkins County Multiple Properties Listing
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of certifying official: David L. Morgan
Date: 10-26-88
State Historic Preservation Officer, Commonwealth of Kentucky

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official: NA
Date: NA
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
entered in the National Register.
determined eligible for the National Register.
determined not eligible for the National Register.
removed from the National Register.
other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other: I-House

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone/Concrete

walls Wood/weatherboard

roof Other: composition shingles

other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Bradford L. Porter House is a two-story, central passage plan frame, I-House constructed ca. 1860. Within the house is a ca. 1830 single pen of log construction which makes up the present north pen of the house. This log section was incorporated into the remodeling of the house into its present form ca. 1860. The house is sited on a slight hill facing Hwy 41A which was known as the Nebo-Manitou Road in the 19th century. No outbuildings from the property's period of significance are extant.

The house is five bays in width with weatherboard siding and interior end brick chimneys. The original porch has been removed and replaced with a ca. 1970 stoop and wrought iron railing. The main entrance has an original four panel door with a single light transom and ca. 1920 Neo-Classical frame surround. Windows in the house are ca. 1860 two-over-two sash with wood lintels and sills. At the rear of the house is an original one-story frame ell with matching windows and a brick chimney. Also at the rear is a ca. 1970 one-story addition with an attached carport. The interior retains a ca. 1860 milled newel post and balusters and mantles.

**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally     statewide     locally

Applicable National Register Criteria     A     B     C     D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)     A     B     C     D     E     F     G    NA

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Period of Significance

ca. 1860  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates

ca. 1860  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder

Unknown  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Bradford L. Porter House is a distinctive example of an ante-bellum central passage plan I-House and is significant under criterion C. The house is one of two pre-1870 frame I-Houses identified in the county which have not been extensively altered. The house is an important example of mid-19th century timber frame architecture in the county. The house retains its ca. 1860 appearance and additions have been confined to the rear facade.

Bradford L. Porter came to Hopkins County in 1838 and constructed a single pen log residence on 200 acres of land. It appears Porter inherited this land from the Thomas Porter estate which consisted of 836 acre on Pogues Creek. Porter became a prominent farmer in the area and was elected in 1843 to a single term in the state legislature. Around 1860, Porter enlarged and remodeled his residence into its present I-House appearance. Porter was reelected to the legislature in 1863 and served until he resigned prior to his death in May of 1865. Since its remodeling ca. 1860 the house has not been significantly altered and retains its original design and setting.

See continuation sheet

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Previous documentation on file (NPS): NA  
 preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested  
 previously listed in the National Register  
 previously determined eligible by the National Register  
 designated a National Historic Landmark  
 recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_  
 recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:  
 State historic preservation office  
 Other State agency  
 Federal agency  
 Local government  
 University  
 Other  
Specify repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreeage of property Less than 1 acre

UTM References

A 

116	446960	4136740
Zone	Easting	Northing

B 

Zone	Easting	Northing

C 

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D 

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Slaughtersville

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

See continuation sheet

**11. Form Prepared By**

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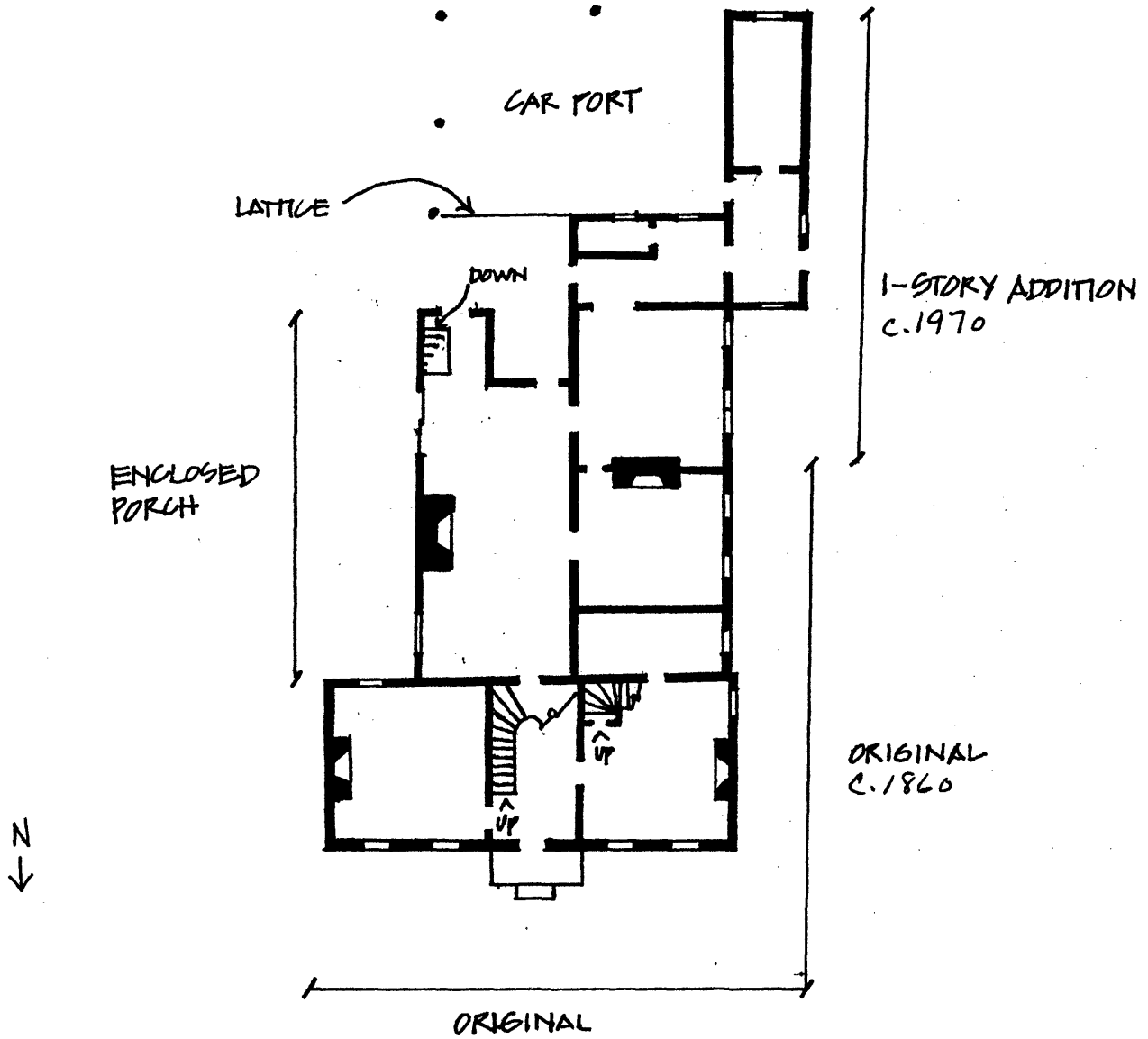
Hopkins County Multiple Properties Listing

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Verbal Boundary Description: The location of the Bradford L. Porter House is illustrated on accompanying Hopkins County tax map 52, lot 37 drawn at a scale of 1" = 400' and accompanying sketch map. The boundary is a rectangle measuring 90' by 100' and follows a gravel drive which extends along the south, west and north elevations of the house. This drive is located approximately 30' from the house. The eastern boundary extends along Highway 41A.

Verbal Boundary Justification: The boundary for the Bradford Porter House includes the house and adjacent lot that has been historically associated with the property. The boundary is drawn to exclude modern outbuildings to the north and west.

HK-5. BRADFORD PORTER HOUSE



NOT TO SCALE

Bradford Porter House(HK-5)  
U.S. 41A east of Nebo  
1"=400'

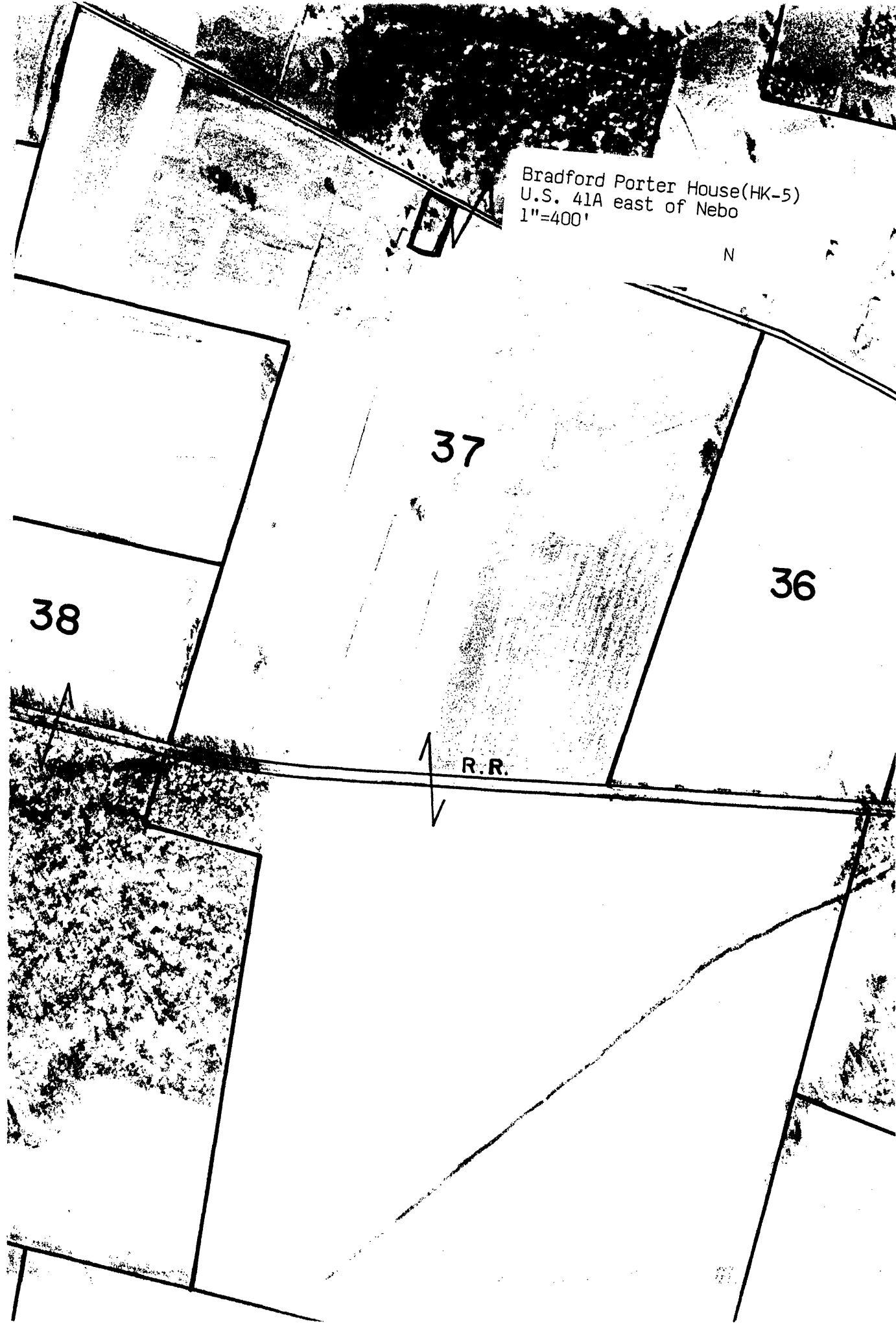
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Hopkins County Multiple Properties Listing

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**Photo Key**

1. Porter, Bradford, House (HK-5)  
Location: U.S.41A, vicinity of Nebo.  
Photos: Thomason and Associates  
Neg: KY Heritage Council  
Date: February 1988  
View: South, of main (north) facade.  
Photo #: 1 of 4
  
2. Porter, Bradford, House (HK-5)  
View: Southeast, of west facade.  
Photo #: 2 of 4
  
3. Porter, Bradford, House (HK-5)  
View: East, of west facade.  
Photo #: 3 of 4
  
4. Porter, Bradford, House (HK-5)  
View: West, of east facade.  
Photo #: 4 of 4



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**SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD**

**NRIS Reference Number:** 88002715

**Date Listed:** 12/13/88

John Cox House  
**Property Name**

Hopkins  
**County**

KY  
**State**

Hopkins County MPS  
**Multiple Name**

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This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

for Patrick Andrus  
**Signature of the Keeper**

12/13/88  
**Date of Action**

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**Amended Items in Nomination:**

The resource count on the nomination form is inaccurate; it lists only one contributing building when it should list two. Because the brick smokehouse was constructed as a separate building (and only later attached to the main house), it should be counted as a separate building (per instructions on counting resources, found in National Register Bulletin 16). Marty Perry with the KY SHPO agrees to this change and the form is now officially amended to reflect the new resource count of two contributing buildings.

**DISTRIBUTION:**  
National Register property file  
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)