

1. SITE I.D. NO

HAER INVENTORY

Historic American Engineering Record
Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.

2. INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION

TRANS: MARINE: Nav. Aids

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3. PRIORITY

1

4. DANGER OF DEMOLITION?
(SPECIFY THREAT) YES NO UNKNOWN

5. DATE

1888; 1913

6. GOVT SOURCE OF THREAT

OWNER

ADMIN

7. OWNER/ADMIN

United States Coast Guard, DOT

8. NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE

North Point Lighthouse

9. OWNER'S ADDRESS

400 7th Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

10. STATE

COUNTY

W I

COUNTY NAME

Milwaukee

CITY/VICINITY

Milwaukee

CONG.
DIST.

STATE

COUNTY NAME

CITY/VICINITY

COUNTY

CONG.
DIST.

11. SITE ADDRESS (STREET & NO)

Wahl Street at Terrace

12. EXISTING
SURVEYS NR NHL HABS HAER-I HAER NPS CL6
 CONF STATE COUNTY LOCAL OTHER

13. SPECIAL FEATURES (DESCRIBE BELOW)

 INTERIOR INTACT EXTERIOR INTACT ENVIRONS INTACT

14. UTM ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

SIGN

SCALE

 1:24 1:62.5QUAD
NAME

Milwaukee

 OTHER

UTM ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

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15. CONDITION.

70 EXCELLENT71 GOOD72 FAIR73 DETERIORATED74 RUINS75 UNEXPOSED76 ALTERED82 DESTROYED85 DEMOLISHED

16. INVENTORIED BY

Charles K. Hyde

AFFILIATION

HAER-Great Lakes Lighthouse Survey

DATE

7/9/1979

17. DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), HISTORICAL DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS,
MATERIALS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

The first lighthouse at North Point was constructed in 1855 to mark the entrance into the Milwaukee River at Milwaukee. The original brick structure was replaced and moved about 100 feet inland in 1888 when beach erosion threatened it. An octagonal cast iron structure was built, measuring 14 feet in diameter at the base, 9½ feet in diameter below the watchroom, and 39 feet high from the base to the top of the ventilator ball. This structure was adequate and remained in good condition, but by the early part of the twentieth century, the trees growing in the Lake Park area along the shore began to block the light, obscuring it from mariners on Lake Michigan. In an Act of 4 March 1909, Congress appropriated \$10,000 to raise the light. This was done by erecting a new steel superstructure next to the old lighthouse and then utilizing the old structure as the upper portion of the taller lighthouse. Work began in July 1912 and was completed in April 1913 at a cost of \$9,455, but the work was sufficiently complete to allow the

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18. ORIGINAL USE

PRESENT USE

ADAPTIVE USE

Coast and Harbor Light

Coast and Harber Light

19. REFERENCES—HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER

U.S. Department of Commerce and Labor, Light House Establishment, "Description of Buildings, Premises, Equipment, etc.," Record Group 26, National Archives, Report of 15 May 1915; Clippings Files from the Annual Reports of the U.S. Lighthouse Service, Record Group 26, National Archives.

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20. URBAN AREA 50,000
POP. OR MORE? YES NO

21. HCRS REGION

22. PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY

 YES, LIMITED YES, UNLIMITED

23. EDITOR

INDEXER

 NO UNKNOWN

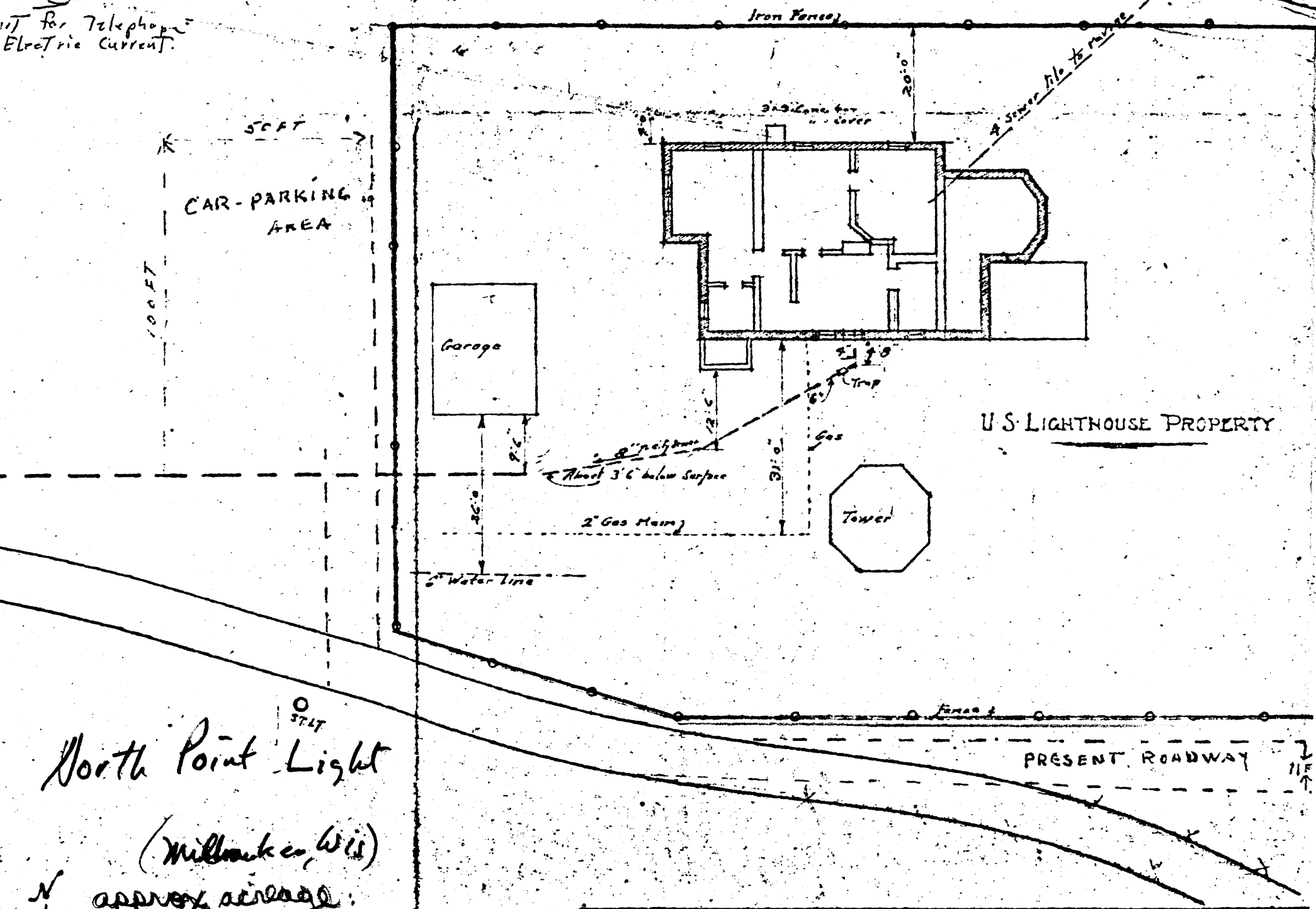
24. LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT?

 YES NO

NAME

DISTRICT I.D. NO

1) For Telephone Electric Current.



North Point Light
 (Milwaukee, Wis)
 approx acreage:
2 acres

U.S. LIGHTHOUSE PROPERTY

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.
 MILWAUKEE DISTRICT MILWAUKEE WIS.

7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

SW 1/4 MILWAUKEE 15' QUADRANGLE

4.7 MI. TO U.S. 141

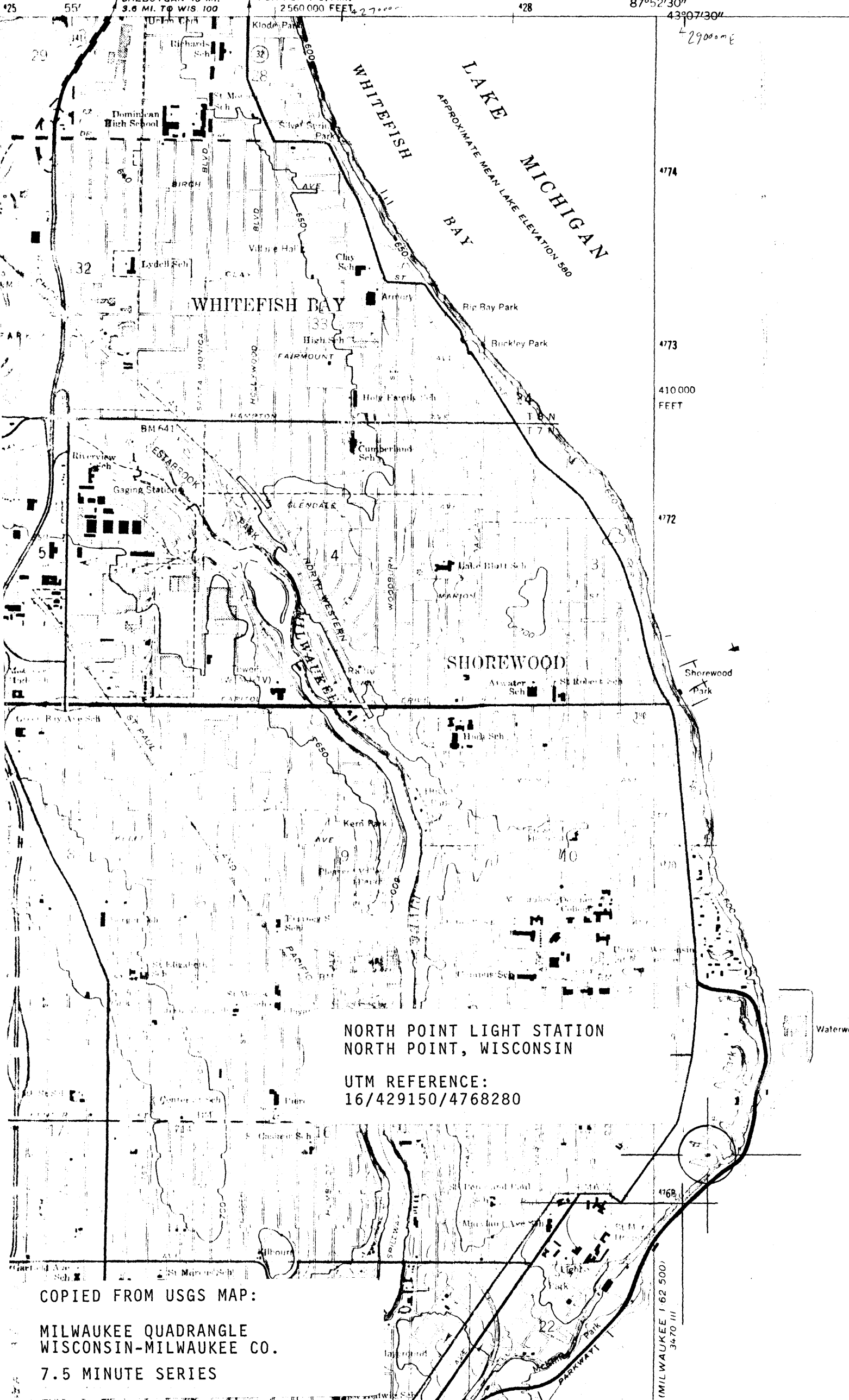
FOX POINT 2.4 MI.

2560 000 FEET ± 27 000

87°52'30"

43°07'30"

290000 E



NORTH POINT LIGHT STATION
NORTH POINT, WISCONSIN

UTM REFERENCE:
16/429150/4768280

COPIED FROM USGS MAP:

MILWAUKEE QUADRANGLE
WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE CO.

7.5 MINUTE SERIES

MILWAUKEE 1 62 500
3470 III