

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

PATOS ISLAND LIGHT STATION (LIGHTHOUSE ONLY)

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

N of 1st and London Streets, Island

CITY, TOWN

East London, Ind.

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

SAN JUAN ISLANDS

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

WASHINGTON

53

SAN JUAN

055

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 AGENCY**

U.S. Coast Guard

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable) Commander, Thirteenth Coast Guard District (Flp)

STREET & NUMBER

915 Second Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Seattle

VICINITY OF

Washington

STATE

98174

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

SAN JUAN COUNTY RECORDER

STREET & NUMBER

COURTHOUSE

CITY, TOWN

FRIDAY HARBOR

STATE

WASHINGTON

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

NONE KNOWN

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Light structure is a wood framed structure of Greek cross plan with the tower rising above the landside arm. The structure is sheathed with drop siding with plain cornerboards above a wood watertable. The jerkinhead roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The roof covering was probably wood shingles.

On the first floor there is a large fog signal room in the center, a workroom and an office in the left and right arms. Two generators are now mounted in the center room and two air compressors in the workroom to the left. The floors of these rooms are concrete, the walls and ceilings sheathed in vee-grooved boards. Most of the interior trim, of Greek Revival-Victorian type with corner blocks, remains intact. Access to the tower, square in plan, nine feet on a side, is gained by a flight of circular stairs made of wood. There are four windows directly below the lantern.

The metal lantern, octagonal in plan, is glazed with rectangular panes and has a full height door giving access to the walkway. The original wood railing surrounds this walkway. The original Fresnel lens, now on display at the Admiralty Head Light, was replaced with an ESNA 2130-C. The building is similar to the structure at Turn Point, also constructed in 1893. Originally, Patos was built without a tower, the present tower being a modification dating from 1908. Other interesting features of the building include the arcuate louvers in the gable ends, the modillioned cornice below the tower walkway railing and the airhorns still installed on the waterside. The present fog signal, electronically operated, is mounted on the structure away from the building.

#### Present Color Scheme:

Grey green-structure base, window trim, cornice, lantern  
Red- roof  
White- wall surfaces  
Aluminum- ball finial atop lantern

Light Characteristics: 40,000 candle power electric

Light List No.: 2632

Height of focal plane above sea level: 52 feet

Type of illuminate: flashing white 5 sec period

Range: 14 miles white 12 miles red

Special Coloring: 2 red sectors: 013 degrees to 060 degrees and 198.5 degrees to 113.5 deg.

Horn Blast @ 30 seconds-3 seconds blast

Other nearby associated structures: Metal sheathed oil house built 1937. Two large wood water tanks. Recent quarters (the original quarters similar to Patos, have been removed). A storage shed with large roof surface for water collection. A fire pump shed.

## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This station, established in 1893, faces the Straits of Georgia as it sweeps down from Canada. The name Patos (Duels) was given by Galiana and Valdez, Spanish explorers, in 1792. This station northernmost in the San Juan Islands, marks the division point between the eastern and western passages into the Strait of Juan de Fuca. It is in full view of a Canadian lighthouse established on Saturn Island.

Helen Slidden, daughter of long time keeper Edward Dungan, has set down her story of life at a remote light station in a book entitled Light On The Island.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

COAST GUARD PROPERTY RECORDS

J. A. GIBBS, Jr. SENTINELS OF THE NORTH PACIFIC (PORTLAND, ORE: BINFORDS & MORT, 1955)

JIM GIBBS WEST COAST LIGHTHOUSES (SEATTLE: SUPERIOR, 1974)

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2.6 1.00

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

B 

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

C 

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

D 

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

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# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

R. J. WILLIAMSON, LT USCG Chief, Logistics and Property Branch

ORGANIZATION

13th Coast Guard District, 915-2nd Ave. FTS:399-5620 or 5723

STREET & NUMBER

SEATTLE

TELEPHONE

WASHINGTON 98174

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

# 12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

*Arthur M. Sholik*

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National  State  Local .

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

*Robert B. Ketting*

TITLE

*Environmental Affairs Specialist*

DATE

*1/24/77*

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

*Robert B. Ketting*

DATE

*10/21/77*

ATTEST:

*Robert B. Ketting*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

*10/12/77*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER