

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

WEST POINT LIGHT STATION
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

SEATTLE

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

X VICINITY OF FORT LAWTON

1st

STATE

Washington

CODE

53

COUNTY

king

CODE

033

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"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

U.S. COAST GUARD
COMMANDER, THIRTEENTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT (flp)

STREET & NUMBER

915 Second Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Seattle

VICINITY OF

STATE
Washington

98174

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. King County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Seattle

STATE
Washington

98174

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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 square stuccoed brick masonry tower (10 feet on a side) rises to a bracketed catwalk 19 feet above grade. The octagonal lantern is fitted with eight rectangular clear glass panes. The pyrimidal lantern roof is surmounted by a ball ventilator. The attached fog signal building extends to the west and is reached through a doorway from the tower over which the date "1881" appears. This structure is quite similar to Point No Point Light and in both of these stations the fog signal buildings are additions dating from 1900.

The fog signal structure has expressed segmental arches over window openings with projecting key stones. The office has a gabled wood shingled roof with decorative wood trim in the east gable. The interior trim is substantially intact throughout.

Present Color Scheme:

Grey green: lantern roof, railings, window arches, frames, sash and sills
Red: roofs
Dark Blue Grey: base below watertable
White: stucco walls

Light Characteristics: white, 0.6 second flash

Light List #2282
Eclipse: 4.4 seconds white
Red: 0.6 second flash
Eclipse: 4.4 seconds red
Lens Size: 4th order
Lamp Volts: 120
Candlepower: 16,000 white 7,000 red
Watts: 500 W
Filament Type: CC-8
Range: 6 miles

Associated nearby structures include:

Metal sheathed oil storage house.
Two frame keepers dwellings.

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 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 checked="" 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		

SPECIFIC DATES

Established 1881

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Located on the east side of Puget Sound about five (5) miles northwest of the Commercial District of Seattle, West Point Light was established in 1881. This tip of land marks the northern turning point for shipping from Puget Sound into Elliot Bay, The Port of Seattle. With the construction of the Lake Washington Ship Canal in 1915, the light achieved greater significance for it marks the turning point to Shilshole Bay. The lens at West Point is a fourth order Fresnel revolving type with twelve (12) bullseyes. It was manufactured by the French firm of L. SAUTTER, LEMONNIER ET CIE., A Paris, and is so marked. The source of illumination is now electric bulb rather than the original oil lamp.

The guest register still in use at the station was initiated in 1895. Famous American visitors as well as foreign dignitaries have entered their names in its pages over the ensuing years. The station, manned since its establishment, is scheduled to be automated shortly.

The original description of the charts and data concerning the site (dated 1867) is still on file at the CG District 13 Headquarters.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Offical Files, Thirteenth Coast Guard District
 Jim Gibbs West Coast Lighthouses (Seattle: Superior Publishing Company, 1974)
 James A. Gibbs Jr. Sentinels of the North Pacific (Portland: Binford & Mort, 1955)

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

A	1 0	5 4 2 4 6 0	5 2 7 8 6 9 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

R. J. WILLIAMSON, LT USCG, Chief, Logistics & 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. Sheolik

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 R...

TITLE

Environmental Officer Specialist

DATE

1/24/77

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

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Wm. J. ...

DATE

8/16/77

ATTEST:

Charles ...

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

8.16.77

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER