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National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Monument Mills (preferred)

and/or common Monument Mills Cotton Company - Mills #1, 2 & 3

2. Location

street & number Park Street and Front Street, Rout 183 N/A not for publication

city, town Great Barrington N/A vicinity of congressional district

state Massachusetts code 025 county Berkshire code 003

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple -see attached list

street & number

city, town N/A vicinity of state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Southern Berkshire Registry of Deeds

street & number 334 Main Street

city, town Great Barrington state MA 01230

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Inventory of the Historical
title Assets of the Commonwealth # Area B has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Massachusetts Historical Commission

city, town Boston state MA 02108

7. Description Monument Mills, Great Barrington, MA

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date <u> </u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			<u> </u> N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Monument Mills, (1850-1955), is a cotton mill complex of about 11 surviving interconnected buildings located in Housatonic, a small industrial village within the confines of the incorporated town of Great Barrington amidst the Berkshire Mountains. The complex consists of two district groupings of mill structures: The No. 1 Mill on the west bank of the Housatonic; and, to the south (downstream) the No. 2 Mill, or Wawbeck Mill, on the east bank of the river. Brick construction, material, height of one to three stories, and utilitarian industrial design with architectural interest focused on cornice lines and towers characterize the buildings.

Above Monument Mills the Housatonic River drops 76 feet (820' to 744') in three miles from the Glendale Power House (NR 1982) to the mills; the history of the two are closely interlinked. Industrial development at the Monument Mills occurred in both banks of the river at two 'privileges' (upper and lower).

Damming of the upper privilege location of Monument Mill No. 1, occurred in 1809 with cotton cloth manufacture beginning in 1827 and continuing until 1848 when that mill building was destroyed by fire. Activity at the lower privilege location of the Wawbeck Mill (Monument Mill No. 2) was initiated in 1837 with the construction of a shop to manufacture chairs and later shoe lasts, which continued until 1856. Ten years later the Wawbeck Mills were incorporated. Between 1881 and 1917 a major addition to the whole complex was made each year.

Only portions of the two dams remain; the lower dam was removed prior to 1934 and the upper dam, a plank and timber structure built in 1857, stood until it burst in 1973, leaving only a 10' section intact. The latter dam had measured 45' long, 15' high, and 30' wide at its base and stood on a quarried stone foundation set into the riverbed. Intakes, gates, and trash racks remain just north of the main mill building and dye house.

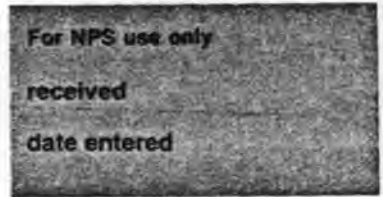
Upper Mills - West River Bank

Monument Mill No. 1 (Map # 1 ; Photo 1) 1875-1892

The northern most structure in the complex, the present mill building replaced the original 1851 Monument Mill No. 1 (which in turn had replaced the earlier 1827 building) a 4-story, timber frame structure with 4-story stair and bell tower which exhibited traditional Federal era traits, containing beaming, warping, carding, and spinning slops under one roof. Addition of a frame 2-story beaming room (south) and a 4-story brick Mill No. 5 (north) occurred in 1875. The massive present building erected in 1892 is of brick construction, rises four stories from a quarried stone foundation and measures 372' long by 64' and 39' wide. Three rectangular flat-roofed 5-story stair towers - two on the west elevation and one at the southeast corner - provide access into the building. Ornamentation is restricted to panels of dogtooth brick work at the cornice. The main block is capped with a lowpitch roof and exhibits a slightly overhanging cornice with repeated dogtooth brickwork. Fenestration throughout consists of rectangular triple hung sash set in plain segmentally arched openings. Interior framing is of local pine

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and chestnut; ceiling heights measure 10 feet. Later additions to the south and north ends of the building have been demolished.

Dye House (Map # 2 ; Photo 2) 1918

Standing parallel to the Main Mill and adjacent to the Housatonic River, the 3-story Dye House (192' X 87' and 53') is of brick, steel and concrete construction with steel sash windows and lintels. The original dye house, drying house, and boiler room of wood construction with brick nogging (104' X 38' and 34' X 32') was replaced after a serious fire in 1879, rebuilt in 1880 and 1882, and again in 1918 to its present form. This building housed the dying, drying, slashing and winding departments.

Connecting Mill No. 1 and the Dye House are an iron penstock, and two overhead bridges, one of wood and one of steel construction.

Beaming Bridge (Map # 3 ; Photo 2) 1909

Extending from the southern end of the Dye House and spanning the Housatonic River, the Beaming Bridge is a 2-story wood-frame structure (50' X 112') with celestory monitor. Erected in 1909, it predates the 1918 renovations of the Dye House.

Picker House (Map # 4 ; Photo 2) 1892; Collapsed 1982

Erected the same year as and similar in design to the Main Mill No. 1, the Picker House suffered loss of an attached 4-story dust bin (10'X12') when the dams burst in 1973, thus weakening the south end wall and eventually causing a major structural collapse under snow in 1982. Its bricks will be reused for repairs to other buildings in the complex. When standing, the Picker House measured 128' X 621', of brick construction with stone lintels and foundation. It housed the mills' cotton ginning and cleaning equipment.

Cotton Storage House (Map # 5 ; Photos 3 & 4) 1851; expanded 1892

When originally erected in 1851, the 1½ story brick structure measured 99' X 34'. During the 1892 mill expansion it was enlarged to 159' X 89' and to three stories on the east side. Its strongly functional design is relieved only by small carved brackets at the eaves. The building is sited adjacent to the railroad tracks to permit easy transfer of raw cotton from freight train to storage facility.

Lower Power House (Map # 6 ; Photo 5) 1917

As electric power was introduced to power more of the mills' operation, the original repair shops on the west bank of the Housatonic River were replaced with a new power house in 1917. Of steel girdered brick construction, the building measures 213' X 78' X 68'. Its design combines both architectural and functional elements successfully, as expressed in its repeated bays of large arched windows, recessed in panels surmounted by corbelling and its soaring 100' tall smoke stack. The building housed both hydro-electric and coal-fired power equipment: a single 500 H.P. Rodney Hunt 25" Type 80 water turbine; a steam turbine; and pumps for the fire protection system. An iron

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pentstock extended from the Picker House supplying the turbine; a concrete tailrace directed outflow into the river. South of the building stands a large, steel water tower and tank.

Lower Mills - east river bankWawbeck Mill/Monument Mill No. 2 (Map # 7 ; Photo 6) 1866

The present Wawbeck Mill building (1866) replaced a wood frame mill building of 1864 and the earlier shoe factory. The brick building rises four stories from a quarried granite foundation and is covered with a pitched roof. It measures 49' X 137', or 5 bays by 19 bays, delineated by arched double hung sash set in arched openings with marble lintels. A flat-roofed brick rear addition served as the dye house; a power canal supplies the wheel house at the mills' southeast corner; and the tail race passes under Park Street, flowing into the river.

Subsequent additions to this portion of the complex following purchase by Monument Mills in 1871 include a bridge beaming room (58' X 10') spanning the canal to a 1½ story wearing building, both 1879; a brick picker house west of the mill (1887); a brick weaving building (1890); a new brick weave house, Mill No. 8, (between 1909 and 1916, Map # 8 ; Photo 7); the repair and machine shops (1909, Map # 9 Photo 8); and a 2-story finishing room bridge spanning the river from the mill to the repair shops (1914). Only the latter structure no longer remains.

Archaeology

Although no systematic archaeological testing has been conducted within the Monument Mills complex, the area should be considered rich in material subsurface remains of the various industrial activities associated with the site. Utilized for textile manufacturing from at least as early as 1809 until the mid 20th Century, the mills contain the physical record of technological modifications over laid through time. Examination of the record has the potential to contribute to our understanding of industrial history. In addition, the banks of the Housatonic River, a major drainage in western Massachusetts, are known to be rich in prehistoric resources, therefore, the Monument Mills area may contain prehistoric archaeological sites.

8. Significance

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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		
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	construction or expansion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)		

Specific dates 1851 - 1917

Builder/Architect

Agent & Managers:

John M. Seeley, 1854-1886

Theodore G. Ramsdell, 1886-1903

T. Ellis Ramsdell, 1903-1948

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Monument Mills possesses overall integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, and association. Despite the loss of some ancillary buildings, the complex stands as an important local representative of a large scale, late 19th century textile mill and reflects both technological and architectural transformations from the mid-19th through early 20th centuries. An important producer of jacquard fabrics, the initial success of the mill mirrors the advent of the railroad and accompanying increased accessibility to regional markets; its successes were in large part due to the experience and ingenuity of notable men involved in engineering, manufacturing, and financial investment activities as well as being important figures in Great Barrington. Moreover, the mill is closely associated with the Glendale Power House, site of the first high voltage electric transmission in the world (NR 1982). Thus, Monument Mills meets criteria A, B, and C, of the National Register of Historic Places.

The history of Monument Mills began in 1850 when Mr. John C. and Asa C. Russell, owners of the Berkshire Woolen Company of Great Barrington (1836-1895), John H. Coffing and others purchased the property of the former Housatonic Manufacturing Company. Severe depression had fallen on the small Village of Housatonic after the closing of the Housatonic Manufacturing Company's Mill in 1848. During the same year, the connecting railroad from Pittsfield to points south was made and Housatonic water power, combined with access to a railhead, stimulated the stock company's investment in the construction of a new textile mill on the site of the former mill. This new company was incorporated as "Monument Mills" by the Legislature in 1851. Construction of a wooden Mill No. 1 (1851-1892) was completed at the upper privilege and the manufacture of cotton warps was begun. John M. Seeley, (1814-1886) became the first agent for the corporation in 1854, also assuming the position of Treasurer and General Manager. Though some weaving was done by the firm, it was Mr. Seeley who began the first major expansion.

In 1866, George Coffing, George Church, Mr. Seeley, Henry Adams, and Joseph G. Fuller organized the Wawbeck Mills, a second stock company, to develop the lower privilege and replaced the small warp mill built there in 1864 with an impressive new brick factory (Mill No. 2). Wawbeck Mill introduced the weaving of jacquard Marseilles bedspreads in 1870. As demand for these grew, orders increased and Monument Mills purchased the Wawbeck Mills in 1971. This product was to become the principal product of the mills throughout the last half of the 19th and first quarter of the 20th century bringing them national acclaim.

Among these associated with this major period of mill growth was Theodore G. Ramsdell (1833-1903), Superintendent, Manager, majority stockholder, and Vice President of Monument Mills. He began working in a cotton mill in New Hampshire at age fourteen. By age sixteen, he was overseer of the spinning room at a mill in Souhegan. He came to Housatonic in 1864 as Mill Superintendent, a position which he held for twenty-two years, eventually becoming head of the firm in 1886. It was under his direction

9. Major Bibliographical References

History of Great Barrington, 1676-1923, Charles J. Taylor, Town, 1927.

"Monument Mills/Housatonic, overview and Archaeological Potential, John Hill, 1981.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 13.23 acres

Quadrangle name Stockbridge, MA

Quadrangle scale 1:25000

UMT References

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G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

Beginning at a point in the Great Barrington/Stockbridge Town Line, at the northwest corner of Plot 21B, the Monument Mills National Register Property bounds westerly on Front Street. Parcels 21 and 21A are excepted. The boundary follows Front Street,

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code
state		code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Virginia A. Fitch, Preservation Planner with James N. Parrish, Historic Preservation Planner, Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission

organization Massachusetts Historical Commission date July, 1983

street & number 294 Washington Street telephone (617) 727-8470

city or town Boston state Ma 02108

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Patricia Weslowki 10/19/83

State Historic Preservation Officer

title Massachusetts Historical Commission

date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

date

11/29/83

Melores Byers
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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that the upper mills were rebuilt in brick and considerably expanded in the early 1890's.

During dry summers, the mills were often forced to operate only evenings because of low water. To ease this restraint on the expanded mill operation, Ramsdell, working with electrical pioneer William Stanley, purchased and rebuilt the Old Stockbridge Iron Works Dam (Algers Furnace) 1½ miles above the upper mills. A Stanley S.K.C. 2,400 volt, 2 phase 55 cps alternator was installed with necessary transmission lines to power three 350 HP. Stanley S.K.C. Synchronous Motors to drive the prime mover at the mills during periods of low water. This was the first transmission of alternating current for power, and two years later, in 1894, this station, under lease to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company, powered the first high voltage transmission line in the world, 7½ miles to Great Barrington. This pioneer venture in the use of electric power was so successful that the mills purchased water rights of the Old Glendale Woolen Company in 1905; these rights encompassed the best fall of water in the area, a drop of 41'. A new hydro-electric station, the present Glendale Power Station (NR 1982) was completed in 1907, also using Stanley S.K.C. equipment. By 1909 half of the needed power for the mills was being supplied by electricity. In 1917, the lower power house (Map # ; Photo) was built and these two plants supplied power for the mill until it closed in 1948. Upon his death in 1903, Theodore Ramsdell left the Village \$25,000 for the building of a new library, The Ramsdell Public Library, built in 1906; he also endowed the Congregational Church.

T. Ellis Ramsdell and Thomas S. Ramsdell, sons of Theodore succeeded their father in the firm's operation. T. Ellis graduated from Sedgwick Institute in 1896 and received his BS at Amherst in 1900, graduating cum laude. He went on to Lowell Textile Institute completing the three year course in two years. He came to Monument Mills as Payroll Clerk in 1902. A year later, after his father's death, he became Assistant Superintendent, was chosen Vice President in 1927 and President in 1932.

Thomas S. Ramsdell graduated from Cornell University in 1903 with a mechanical engineer's degree. He came to the mills in 1906 to supervise the building of the Glendale Dam and Power House and later became Works Manager, Plant Engineer Director, and Secretary of the Company. He designed the large steam plant built in 1917 between the upper and lower mills.

The hard times of the Great Depression, failure to keep up with changing product market and labor disputes, brought about the sale of the locally owned company. George A. Horvath, Inc., purchased the capital stock and real estate November 10, 1948, with large plans to continue the firm's operation. Against repeated promises and legal instruments not to liquidate the Company, it did in 1955. All saleable textile and power equipment was stripped from the mill and 450 persons lost their jobs. The lower mill entered an extended period of neglect which have only recently begun to be reversed by the new owners, Berkshire Paper Company; the upper mills remain vacant, although plans are underway to restore the buildings.

Monument Mills primary product, the cotton Marseilles bedspread, is documented in a collection of textile designs in the collection of the Great Barrington Historical Society presented by Mrs. Kenneth H. Crane, in 1980. Among the most notable designs is that for a bedspread with the seal of the Panama Pacific International Exposition, created for that occasion in 1915.

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"Berkshire Courier", September 3, 1891, October 1, 1891, October 15, 1891, November 26, 1891, February 25, 1892, and March 16, 1892.

"Monument Mills" from the files of the Associated Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Boston, MA 1885 - 1934, in the files of the Berkshire County Historical Society.

"The Berkshire Evening Eagle," November 10, 1948 and February 1, 1949.

Design Books and Papers of Cyrus R. Crane and Chauncey C. Crane, Mount Mills Designers, 1885 to 1920, Great Barrington Historical Society

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parallel to the N.Y., N.H. and H. Railroad tracks and underpass to the northeast corner of the intersection of Front and Park Streets. The district's boundary proceeds easterly on the south boundary of Plot 51, crossing the Housatonic River on the north side of the Park Street Bridge. On the east bank of the Housatonic River it follows the southern boundaries of Plots 52 and 48, on the northeast side of Park Street to the corner of Wawbeck Street. It follows easterly on the south boundary of Plot 48 on Wawbeck Street to the corner of Grove Street. Then north and northeast on the east bounds of Plots 48 and 23 to the northeast corner of Plot 23, northwest and westerly to the west bank of the Housatonic River. The boundary then follows the east bank of the river to the Great Barrington/Stockbridge Town Line. The district contains 13.23 acres and all the buildings and features of the original Monument Mills.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Monument Mills
Berkshire County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. OCT 27 1983
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85
Date Due: 11/24/83 - 12/11/83
Action: ACCEPT 11/29/83
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
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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

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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: _____



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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
Route 183, Village of Housatonic, Great
Barrington, Mass. #99-17

James N. Parrish 4/16/82, BCRPC, 10 Fenn
Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

Monument Mills, Mill #1, "Main Mill, Yarn
Shops" (1875-1892), view North

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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
Route 183, Village of Housatonic, Great
Barrington, Mass. #98-2

James N. Parrish 4/16/82, BCRPC, 10 Fenn
Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201
Monument Mills, Mill #1, "Picker House"
(1892), view North of south facade, Warp
Bridge, right, dye house left

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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
Route 183, Village of Housatonic, Great
Barrington, Mass. #98-20
James N. Parrish 4/16/82, BCRPC, 10 Fenn
Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201
Monument Mills "Cotton Storage House"
(1851), view Southeast

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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
Route 183, Village of Housatonic, Great
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James N. Parrish 4/16/82, BCRPC, 10 Fenn
Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201
Monument Mills "Cotton Storage House"
(1851-1892), view North Northeast, Main
Mill in background #458



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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
Route 183, Village of Housatonic, Great
Barrington, Mass. #98-5

James N. Parrish 4/16/82, BCRPC, 10 Fenn
Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

Monument Mills "Lower Power House" (1917)
view North

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MONUMENT MILLS, Park & Front Streets,
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"Wawbeek Mills", Monument Mills, Mill #2,
(1866), view North

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"Wawbeek Mills", Monument Mills, Mill #2,
Weave House (1890), view Northeast #7 of 8

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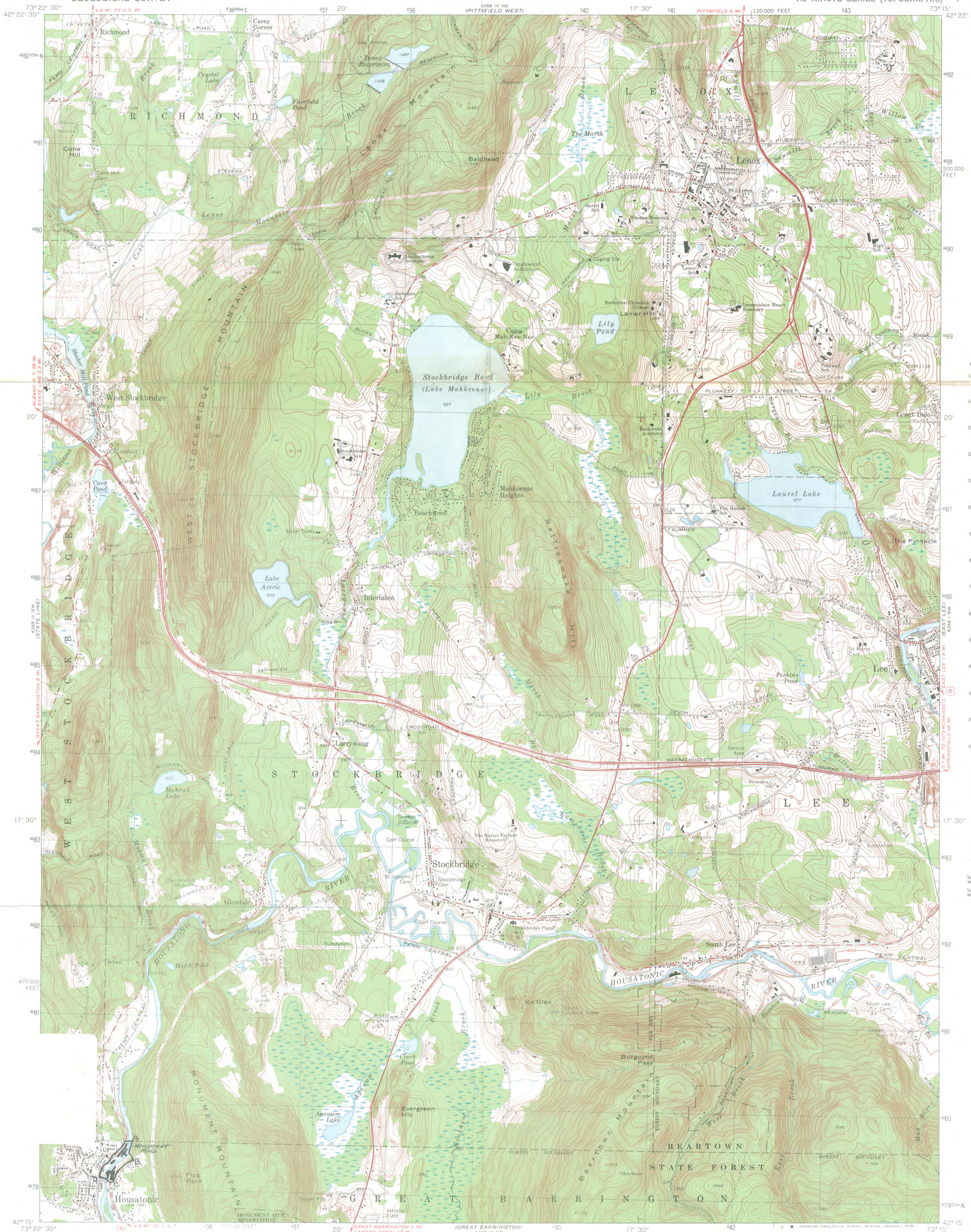
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Barrington, Mass. #98-8

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Monument Mills "Repair & Machines Shops"
(1909) view Northeast across Railroad

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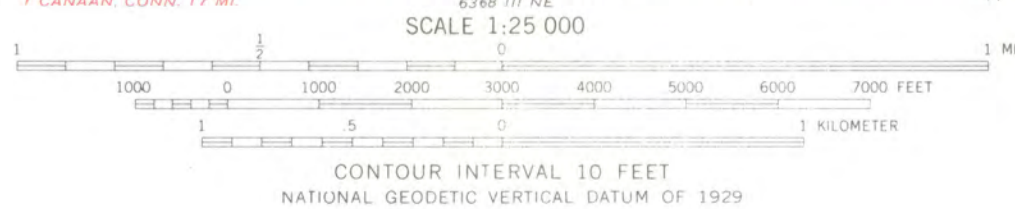
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D 18 634740 4679130

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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Massachusetts coordinate system, mainland zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid; zone 18
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is un-checked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Secondary highway, hard surface	Unimproved road
Interstate Route	U.S. Route
	State Route



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MONUMENT MILLS
GREAT BARRINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS
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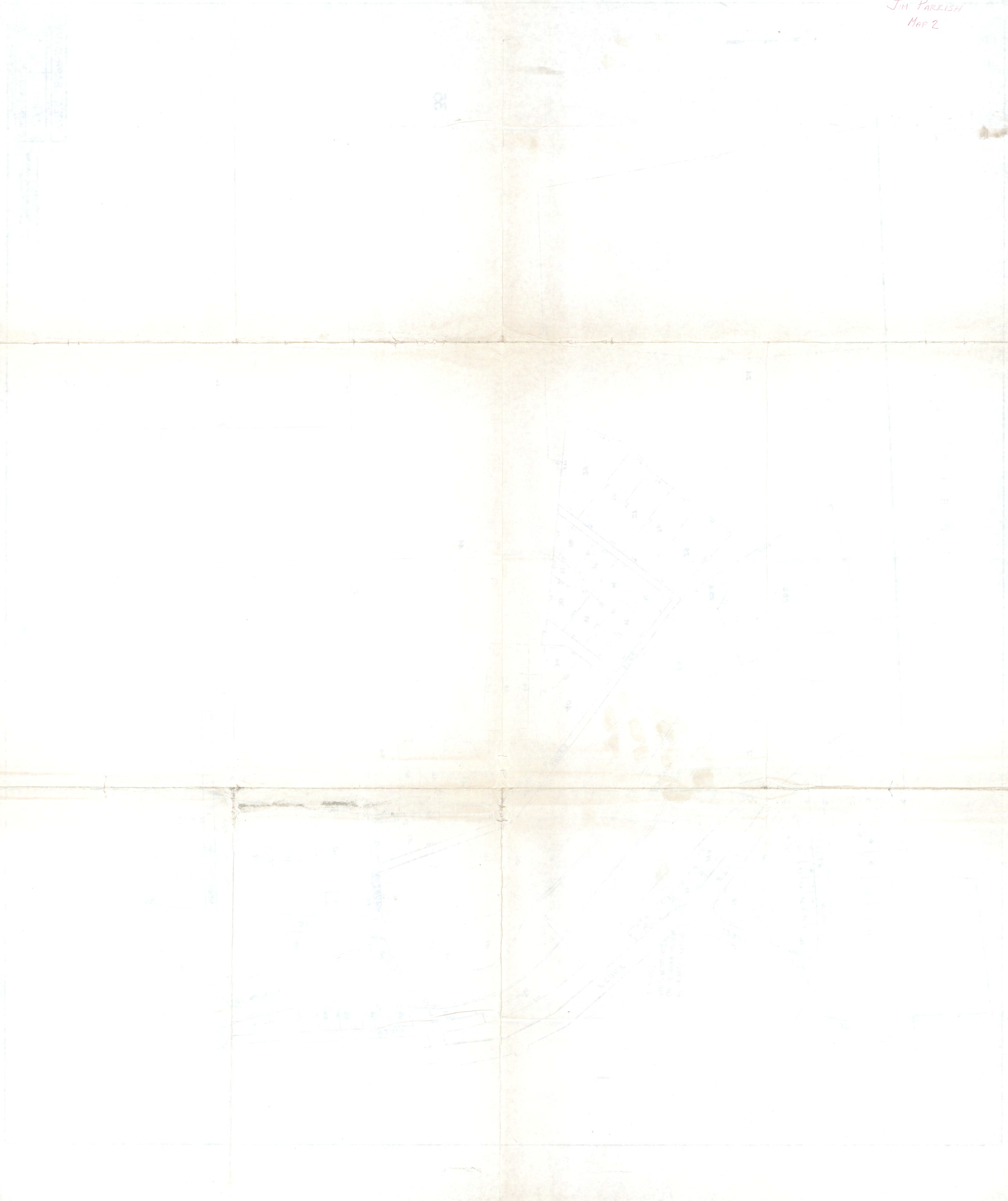
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Secretary of State

August 15, 1983

Mr. Jack Cook
Cooks Fuel Company, Inc.
North Plain Road
Housatonic, Mass 01236

RE: Monument Mills (Plot 49)

Dear Mr. Cook:

We have received your letter stating that you do not wish your property to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Please be advised that according to the Federal regulations governing the National Register program (36CFR 60) objections must be notarized to be valid. I refer you to page 2 of our original notification letter (copy enclosed) for further clarification.

If you object to the listing of your property, you must submit a notarized statement within 30 days of the date of this letter. This statement should include the address of the property and affirm that you are the owner.

You should also be aware that Monument Mills is being nominated as a single historically and functionally interrelated industrial complex. According to Federal regulations 36CFR 60.6(g) a majority of owners must object in order for the property not to be listed.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Virginia Fitch
Preservation Planner

Enclosure

cc: Jim Parrish

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sent copy of attached VF

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September 19, 1983

Mr. Jack Cook
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North Plain Road
Housatonic, MA 01236

RE: Monument Mills (Plot 49)

Dear Mr. Cook:

I am writing to inform you that the State Review Board voted Monument Mills eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places at their September meeting. The nomination will be forwarded shortly to Washington for final review. As I noted in my letter of August 15, 1983 (copy enclosed) objections must be notarized to be valid. If you continue to object, letters should be sent directly to Mr. Jerry Rogers, National Register, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 18th and C Streets, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

I hope that you have reconsidered your objection and are in support of this nomination.

Sincerely,

Virginia Fitch
Preservation Planner
Massachusetts Historical Commission

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MICHAEL JOSEPH CONNOLLY
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October 19, 1983

Ms. Carol Shull, Chief
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
18th & C Streets, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed you will find the following nomination forms:

Edgartown - Edgartown Village Historic District (state)
Framingham - Moses Ellis House (local)
Great Barrington - Monument Mills (local)
Peabody - John Southwick House (local)
Scituate - Captain Benjamin James House (local)
Stockbridge - Villa Virginia (local)
Westfield - United States Whip Company Complex (national)

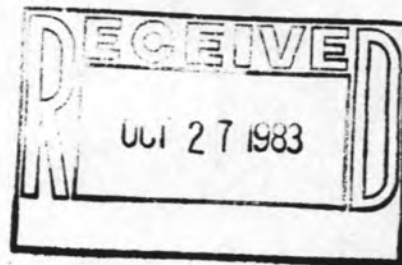
All have been voted eligible by the State Review Board and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. Owners were notified of pending State Review Board consideration 30-75 days before the meeting and were afforded the opportunity to comment. Comments received to date are attached to the nomination forms. Also included are the forms for Border City Mills (Fall River Multiple Resource Area) which had been returned to us for boundary justification and for Woodbridge Street Historic District, South Hadley, returned for technical corrections.

Sincerely,

Candace Jenkins

Candace Jenkins
Preservation Planning Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

CJ/hi
Enclosures



Monument 10/15 - 100 (not notated)

We are sole owners of mill and I do not want it listed unless I can get some relief on my real estate taxes. We are assessed for \$60,000. We paid \$2000 for it and it has been flooded out 3 times in the last 10 years as we are right next to the Hoosatic River.

I'll be waiting to hear from you.
Sincerely

Chris Fuel Co
Hoosatic, Mass
Dan Gil

over Plot 49
1.55 acres
Lawbeck Hill?