



PNRO INVENTORY

National Park Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Cultural Resources Division

Westin Bldg. Room 1920
2001 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98121

NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE/SITE <i>(Building)</i> PURPLE POINT/STEHKIN RANGER STATION RESIDENCE		
SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION <i>Stehekin Landing</i>		
DISTRICT <i>Stehekin</i>	COUNTY <i>Chelan</i>	STATE <i>Washington</i>
OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS <i>National Park Service</i>		

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1926	SITE ID. NO.	
	SCALE 1:24000	QUAD NAME <i>Stehekin</i>
	UTM ZONE 10	EASTING 9739505352925
	NORTHING 5352925	
ADDITION(S)	CROSS REFERENCE <i>NOCA Bldg. #2 / V-39</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTING <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CONTRIBUTING	DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN	

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.
Residence. Wood frame set on rock and concrete foundation; rectangle (26' x 30'); 3 bays wide; 1 1/2-stories; shiplap siding; metal-covered jerkin-head roof with slightly extended eaves and exposed rafter ends; center wood panel and glass entrance on east; 2 interior brick chimneys with arched caps. Exterior features include 1/1 double-hung sash with plain surrounds; knee braces; plain fascia boards; corner boards; shed-roofed overhang on south supported by knee braces and log posts with 2 wood panel and glass doors below; gable-roofed portico on east supported by knee braces; shed-roofed overhang on north supported by squared posts (7'x 15').

This residence was built for the USFS ranger stationed at the Purple Point (later Stehekin) Ranger Station. It also served as an office (see historic view, reverse). E.O. (Jack) Blankenship was one of the early rangers located in Stehekin (the first station was located at head of lake; site now underwater). In 1939 W.O. Stambaugh was the Stehekin District Ranger and lived in this house. The complex at one time had a barn (removed c.1965), corral, and oil/gas house (removed by USFS); the office/warehouse, woodshed and bunkhouse are still standing. The CCC had a side camp stationed here in the 1930s and the USFS used these men to build trails, shelters, and the barn (c.1939). During WWII the USFS stationed personnel here as aircraft observers, but by the end of the war the station was no longer used year-round. It became seasonal housing until the NPS received the property and began using it for employee housing (Darrel Wilsey currently lives here). A new metal roof was installed over the wood shingles in 1979; an entrance overhang (on east) was added c. 1975.

CURRENT USE <i>NPS Employee Housing</i>	ORIGINAL USE <i>USFS Ranger Residence/Office</i>
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PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES, LIMITED <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES, UNLIMITED <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN	EXISTING SURVEYS	<input type="checkbox"/> NR <input type="checkbox"/> HABS <input type="checkbox"/> NHL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LCS <input type="checkbox"/> NPS	<input type="checkbox"/> STATE <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY	<input type="checkbox"/> LOCAL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER
LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NAME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	CONDITION	<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	

SIGNIFICANCE *Eligible under Nat. Reg. Criterion C: as an example of a distinct type of architecture. Although the integrity of the ranger station as a complex has diminished due to numerous alterations to the buildings, this building remains an excellent example of 1920s-era USFS residential architecture. In its function, simplicity, pattern-book style and use of natural materials, it reflects the USFS design ethic of its day. It possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.*

PHOTOGRAPHS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION



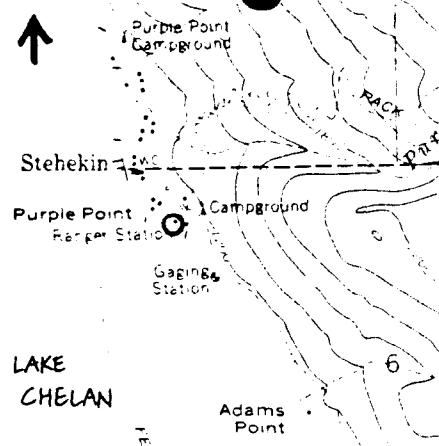
FROM N



HISTORIC VIEW



FROM E



NEGATIVE NO. GL 16-14-17, 20, 21

HABS/HAER QUALITY

YES

NO

REFERENCES

- Higgins, Gary. "Classified Structure Field Inventory Report", 1 March 1976.
 McConnell, Grant. Personal interview, 16 August 1984.
 Wilsey, Darrel. Personal interview, 10 April 1984.

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