

**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

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**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 Greeley House

and/or common Greeley House

**2. Location**

*E of East Kingston on NH 108*

street & number Route 108 - Secondary Road - aka Depot Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town East Kingston *ms.* \_\_\_ vicinity of congressional district First

state New Hampshire code 33 county Rockingham code 015

**3. Classification**

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

name Evelyn M. Edwards

street & number RFD, Route 108, aka Depot Road

city, town East Kingston \_\_\_ vicinity of state New Hampshire

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Registry of Deeds - Rockingham County Courthouse

street & number Hampton Road

city, town Exeter state New Hampshire 03853

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title N/A has this property been determined eligible? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

date \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

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## 7. Description

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**Condition** excellent good fair deteriorated ruins unexposed**Check one** unaltered altered**Check one** original site moved

date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

The nominated house is a two and one-half-story, clapboarded, Georgian style house with central chimney. The main facade of the house contains five (5) bays in the first story and three (3) bays in the second story. The main entry consists of a batten-type, oak door (not original to the house) surmounted by a triangular pediment.

The main block is believed to have been built in 1718, and subsequent additions include a shed-roofed, salt box-type addition to the rear topped on the east side of the rear roof by a second story gable and attached at the rear to a one-story gabled ell with an exterior chimney. The shed-roofed addition contains one door and a large, multi-paned window on the east side, added in the 1960's.

Also on the property are a gambrel-roofed, three-car garage, built in the 1970's to the east of the house and, to the west, the foundation of the original barn, which was disassembled in the 1930's and subsequently moved to Sturbridge Village where it now stands.

The house is located on the north side of Route 108 (Depot Road), about .1 mile west of the intersection of North, East and South Roads and Route 108 (Depot Road). It is situated prominently at a bend in the road, only a few feet from the road itself.

The 6.9 acres now associated with the house are the last of the original grant still connected with the building. Although formerly an agricultural use, most of this land is now wooded.

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## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input 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**

Joseph Greeley

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**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The architectural significance of the Greeley House, believed to have been built in 1718, lies in the typicality of its design. It is an excellent example of the two and one half-story, clapboarded, Georgian style house with central chimney that was common in rural New Hampshire throughout the eighteenth century.

Despite additions made to it, subsequent to its construction, such as the one-story gabled ell in the rear and the second story gable added to the rear roof, the house retains the essential characteristics of its early eighteenth century origins.

Of equal significance is its very prominent setting at the bend of the road only a few feet from the Depot Road itself. Thus situated, it makes an important contribution to the historical character of the roadscape leading to the East Kingston town center and is also a tangible reminder of the agrarian lifestyle prevalent in 18th and 19th century New Hampshire.

The property may also yield archaeological information. It is located in the area of highest density of known prehistoric sites in New Hampshire. In addition, historical archaeological evidence of agrarian activities in this area is expected to exist.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

see phone report

# 10. Geographical Data

UTM NOT VERIFIED

Acreege of nominated property 6.9 acres

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Quadrangle name Exeter NH-MA

Quadrangle scale 7.5' series

### UMT References

A	1 9	3 3 7 1 6 0	4 7 5 3 8 4 5	see telephone report	B						
	Zone	Easting	Northing			Zone	Easting	Northing			
C					D						
E					F						
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Verbal boundary description and justification An irregularly shaped lot bounded on the south by Route 108 (Depot Road), on the west by the Marshall Merrill, Jr., property, on the east by the property of Curtis and Lucienne Jacques and on the north by the property of Mrs. Walter L. Jones. Tax Map #14, Section #2, Lot #4.

### 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 Bernard Hiatt, Preservation Advisor

organization Strafford-Rockingham Regional Council date December 1979

street & number 1 Water Street telephone 603 - 778-0885

city or town Exeter state New Hampshire 03853

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_ national \_\_\_ state X 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.


State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

George Gilman, Commissioner, Dept. of Resources & Economic Development

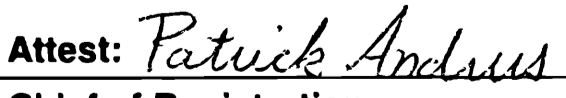
title NH State Historic Preservation Officer date FEB 2 1980

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

for  date 6/16/80

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:  date 6/9/80

Chief of Registration