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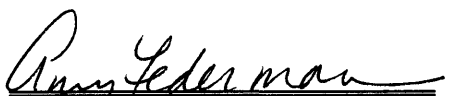
SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 91000405 Date Listed: 04/11/91

Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks Lee FL
Property Name County State

Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.


Signature of the Keeper

04/11/91
Date of Action

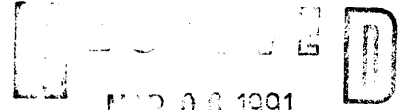
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Amended Items in Nomination:

The area of significance, "Agriculture," is not discussed and should not be included. It was mistakenly entered under the categories, Historic Function and Area of Significance, but should only be listed under Historic Function.

Discussed with Tulie Taylor, FL SHPO, on April 11, 1991.

DISTRIBUTION:
National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without attachment)

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Registration Form

NATIONAL REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks
other names/site number Wisher Fish Cabin/8LL1402

2. Location

street & number N/A N/A not for publication
city, town West of Little Wood Key, Pine Island Sound vicinity
state Florida code FL county Lee code 071 zip code N/A

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> objects
			<u> </u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Fish Cabin of Charlotte Harbor
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Suzanne P. Walker (deputy) 2/28/91
Signature of certifying official State Historic Preservation Officer Date
Florida Dept. of State-Bureau of Historic Preservation
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:) _____
Amy Gedenman 4/11/91
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/fishing
facility or site

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC-camp

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: vernacular

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation WOOD

walls METAL

roof METAL

other WOOD

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Please see continuation sheet.

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DESCRIPTION

SUMMARY

The Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks contributes to the Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor Multiple Property Group under Associated Property Type: Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor, c. 1920 - 1941. It is an example of the sub-type, Residential Cabins. Located on Captiva Rocks shoal in Charlotte Harbor, it is a one story, frame vernacular building set on wood pilings over the water. Built circa 1920, the building has a metal gable roof and board siding which has been covered over with 5-V crimp aluminum for protection.

DESCRIPTIVE STATEMENT

The Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks is the northernmost fish cabin located at Captiva Rocks shoal in Pine Island Sound. A one story, wood frame building, it has a metal gable roof and is set upon its original decking and piling system. (Photo 1) Cross planking is eight and twelve inch lighter pine boards. The window configuration and shutter system reflect the traditional pattern of the fish cabins. (Photo 3) The wood shutters over the windows may be opened to allow air to circulate throughout the building. The exterior, which was originally clad in board siding, is now covered in aluminum 5-V crimp for protection. (Photos 1 - 3) The interior has a kitchen and open plan.

In 1968, the building was stabilized. It continues to be used as a fish camp residence.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

MARITIME HISTORY
AGRICULTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1920 - 1941

Significant Dates

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Please see continuation sheet.

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SIGNIFICANCE

SUMMARY

The Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks is significant at the state level under Criterion A for its association with the pre-World War II commercial fishing industry in Charlotte Harbor. The building contributes to the Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor Multiple Property Group under Associated Historic Contexts: Commercial Fishing Industry of Charlotte Harbor, c. 1920 - 1941, and Associated Property Type: Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor, c. 1920 - 1941. It is an example of the sub-type, Residential Cabins.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks is associated with events significant to the history of the Charlotte Harbor commercial fishing industry, one of the largest fishing operations in Florida before World War II. This cabin is distinguished from the others by the fact that it was the permanent residence of Manuel Norton, a commercial fisherman. Norton raised 10 children at the camp.

The fish camp buildings of Pine Island Sound, where the Norton Fish Cabin is located, were constructed in the early 20th century by the Punta Gorda Fish Company. The company, one of the largest and most important in Florida, built a series of stilt houses throughout Charlotte Harbor and Pine Island Sound. The buildings were used as residences for fishermen, ice houses, and served assorted functions related to the fishing industry such as the mooring of skiffs, drying and cleaning of nets and the storage of fishing equipment.

The Norton Fish Cabin represents a specialized form of vernacular architecture designed to meet the specific needs of the Charlotte Harbor commercial fishing industry. Built on pilings above the water, it is made of simple, available materials that could be transported to the site for construction. Designed for mobility, the cabin can be lifted off its pilings and moved to more abundant fishing grounds, if necessary.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See cover nomination.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

Bureau of Historic Preservation

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Less than 1 acre.

UTM References USGS Quad: Bokeelia (Marked as cabin "A".)

A	<u>17</u>	<u>381320</u>	<u>2945810</u>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C			
	Zone	Easting	Northing

D			
	Zone	Easting	Northing

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

Boundary only includes the platform supporting and surrounding the building. The pilings supporting the structure (platforms inclusive) are not included.

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Boundary Justification

Boundary lines are drawn to include only those portions of the site designed as a part of the mobile building, which is treated like a vessel. Pilings are a consistent renewable resource and do not merit inclusion in the boundary.

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11. Form Prepared By

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PHOTOGRAPHS

1. Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks
2. Captiva Rocks, Pine Island Sound, Lee County, Florida
3. Gladys Cook
4. November 1989
5. Lee County Planning Division, P.O. Box 398, Ft. Myers, FL
6. East elevation, camera facing west
7. 1 of 3

1. Norton Fish Cabin at Captiva Rocks
2. Captiva Rocks, Pine Island Sound, Lee County, Florida
3. Vicki Welcher Cole
4. April 1990
5. Florida Bureau of Historic Preservation
6. Southeast elevation, camera facing northwest
7. 2 of 3

Items 1-5 are the same for photos 2 and 3.

6. West elevation, camera facing east
7. 3 of 3

Fish Cabins of Charlotte Harbor Multiple Property Group UTM Coordinates

USGS Quad Map	Site Name	Zone	Easting	Northing
Bokeelia	Norton Fish Cabin	a. 17	381320	2945810
Bokeelia	Larsen Fish Cabin	b. 17	381410	2945780
Bokeelia	Hendrickson Fish Cabin	c. 17	381390	2945660
Bokeelia	Leneer Fish Cabin	d. 17	381520	2945530
Bokeelia	Whidden Fish Cabin	e. 17	381550	2945450
Bokeelia	Ice House at Captiva Rocks	f. 17	382000	2945430
Bokeelia	Ice House at Point Blanco	g. 17	378070	2950860
Pine Island Center	Fish Cabin at White Rock Shoals	a. 17	388230	2936350
Punta Gorda SW	Willis Fish Cabin	a. 17	379890	2961860
Punta Gorda SW	West Coast Fish Company Res. Cabin	b. 17	380300	2962000
Punta Gorda SW	Icing Station at Bull Bay	c. 17	380200	2961620