

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA	FORM NO.
	801

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number _____

Town REHOBOTH
Address Anawan Street (rte. 44)
Historic Name Anawan Rock (Annawon Rock)

Use: Present commemorative

Original ---

DESCRIPTION:

Date August 28, 1676

Source Church, Diary of King Philip's War, first edition 1716

Style ---

Architect ---

Exterior wall fabric ---

Outbuildings ---

Major alterations (with dates) ---

Moved --- Date ---

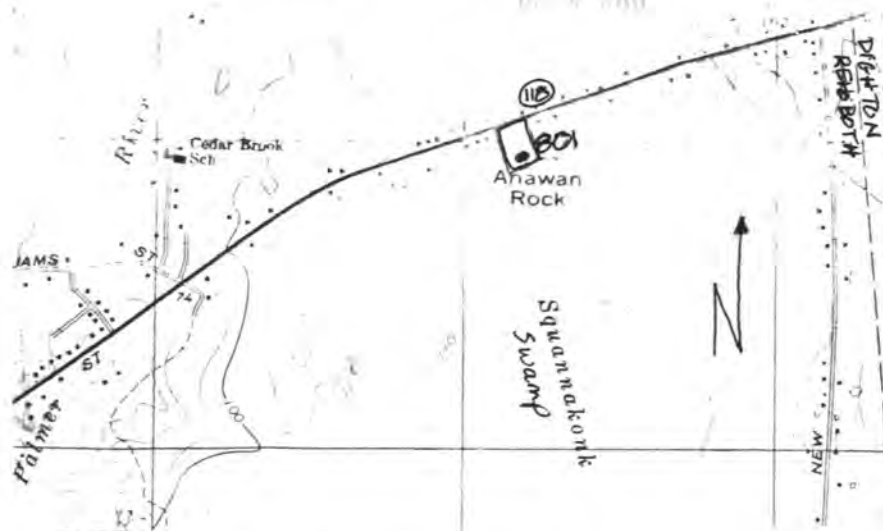
Approx. acreage less than one

Setting 200 feet from road; rural

wooded context

SKETCH MAP

Show monument's location in relation



UTM: 19/316200/4636940

Recorded by V. H. Adams

Organization Rehoboth Historical Commission

Date August 1981

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

The event known as King Philip's War (1675-1676) had a great impact on the early colonial settlers in southeast Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Considerable deaths and material damage were incurred on both sides; however, it close marked the firm ascendancy of colonial power and the end of Native American resistance in the region. Anawan Rock is historically significant as the site of one of the closing confrontations of the war and as one of the few incidents for which an exact location is known. On August 28, 1676, following the death of King Philip in Rhode Island, Captain Benjamin Church and his company of colonists and Indians sought out Annawon, one of two of Philip's remaining chieftains. Surprising him and his men here in Rehoboth, Church forced them to surrender. The Indians offered no resistance and Annawon gave Church Philip's regalia as a symbol of his defeat. Church promised to spare Annawon's life; however, he was called to Boston and upon his return to Plymouth within a few days found that Annawon had been executed.

The incident and its site, Anawan Rock, were described by Benjamin Church in a narrative published in numerous editions (1716, 1772, 1825, 1865, and 1975). The significance of Annawon's surrender is clearly expressed in the introduction of the most recent edition:

"The surrender of Philip's regalia to Benjamin Church by the great Annawon, who had served both Philip and his father Massasoit, marked the real end of these Algonquin Indians. Compared with the standards of literate peoples, who have dramatized or philosophized about their defeats, this was a stoical, inarticulate passing. But it has its own heart-clutching eloquence "(p. 36).*

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Simpson, Alan and Mary, eds. Diary of King Philip's War 1675-1676 by Colonel Benjamin Church. The Pequot Press, 1975.

- * As the site of a significant historical event, Anawan Rock meets criterion A of the National Register of Historic Places individually.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only

received

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 1 of 4

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Rehoboth Multiple Resource Area
State Massachusetts

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Rehoboth Village Historic District | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Bruce M. Boyd 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 2. Allen, Elisha, House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 3. { Anawan Club Caretaker's House
<u>Combined</u> | | Keeper | _____ |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 4. { Anawan Club Clubhouse AND
<u>CARETAKER'S HOUSE</u> | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 5. <u>Anawan Rock</u> | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 6. Baker House | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 7. Bliss, Abiah, House | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 8. Bliss, Daniel, Homestead | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 9. Bowen, Nathan, House | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 10. Bramble Hill | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 6/6/83</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Anawan Rock (Rehoboth MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 4/25/83

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 5/26/83 - 6/9/83

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 6/6/83

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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	

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 _____

UMT 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: 202 272 - 3504

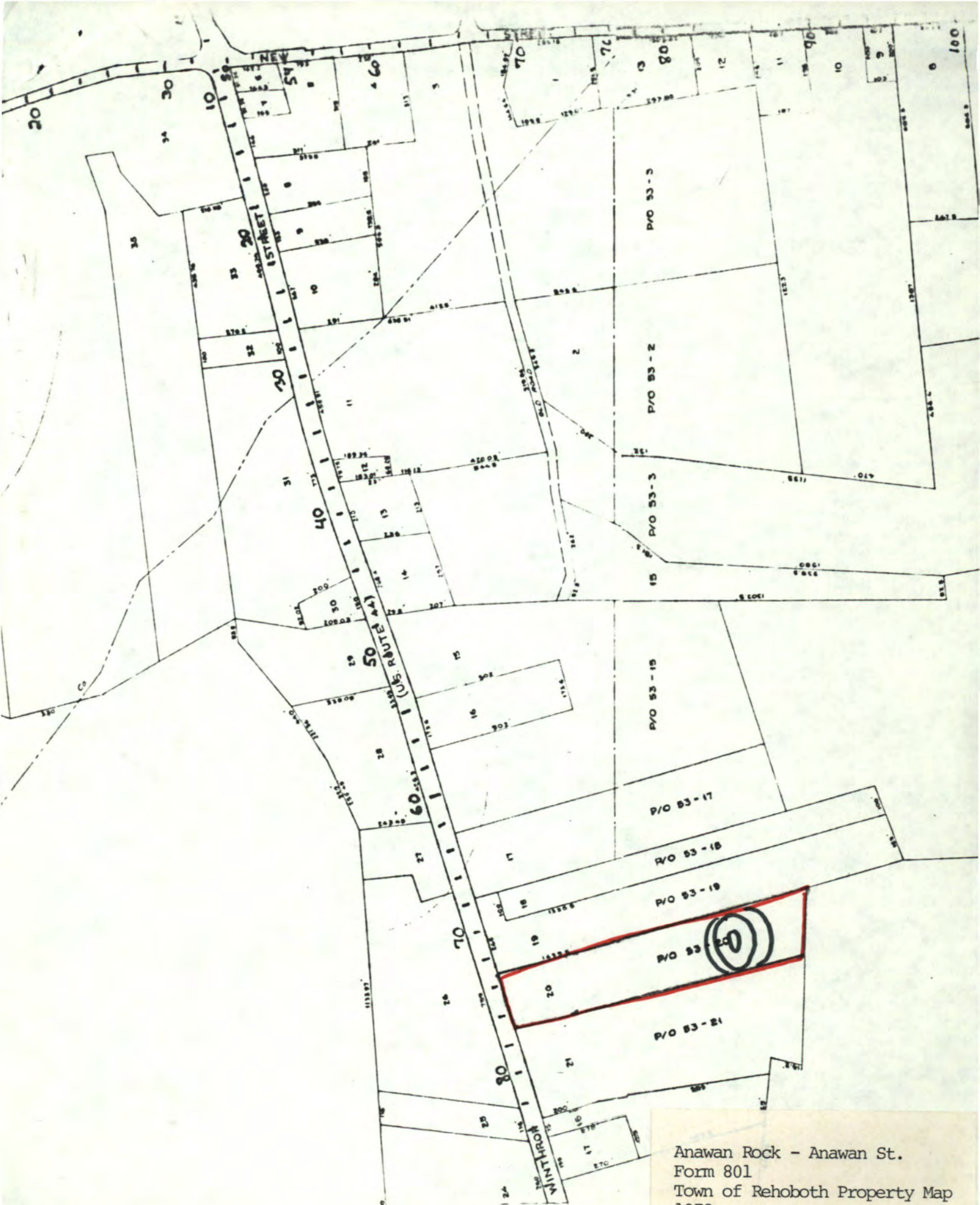
Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Anawan Rock - Anawan St.
Form 801
Town of Rehoboth Property Map
1978
scale 1"=200'

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000292