

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: WASHINGTON	
COUNTY: CHELAN	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	MAY 31 1974

1. NAME

COMMON:
Stehekin School

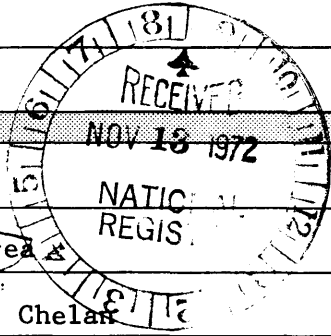
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Stehekin, Lake Chelan National Recreation Area

STATE: **Washington** CODE: **53** COUNTY: **Chelan** CODE: **009**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Stehekin Community

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Stehekin

STATE: **Washington** CODE: **53**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Chelan County

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Chelan

STATE: **Washington** CODE: **53**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered
 Unaltered
 Moved
 Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A single story, square notched log, one room school with a king post truss log rafter roof over the classroom area and an A truss log rafter porch roof; this building serves the primary grades of Stehekin Village; it is said to be the last one-room school in Washington. Has a large front porch, protected by a projecting gable roof. At the rear of the school is a one-room addition that serves as an apartment for the teacher. The school is but a few yards from the famed Rainbow Falls.

Built in 1921 by the citizens of Stehekin with a special permit from U. S. Forest Service. The school is still in operation, although the number of students at present is less than 10.

Boundary:

On U. S. property, adjacent to Stehekin Valley Road ¼ mile south of Rainbow Falls road junction.



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5. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

After many years of teaching their children in their own homes or by having a paid teacher live in the valley and teach in private homes, the citizens of the isolated community of Stehekin reached an agreement with the U. S. Forest Service in 1921 to erect a school on National Forest land.

Using materials gathered in the Stehekin Valley, the citizens contributed their skills and erected the one-room log building which has long been in use ever since. It is said to be the last one-room school in Washington.

It is an excellent example of the swiftly-disappearing era when most rural Americans received their first education in one-room schools. It symbolizes the democratic action of a community determined to educate its youth although isolated from the mainstreams.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

E. N. Thompson, "North Cascades National Park, Basic Data Study"

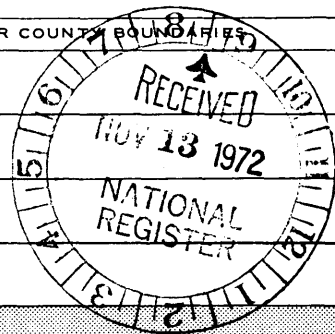
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 acre

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Erwin N. Thompson, Historian & Laurin C. Huffman II

ORGANIZATION: Pacific Northwest Region, National Park Service DATE: June 19, 1970

STREET AND NUMBER:
4th & Pike Building

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle STATE: Washington CODE: 53

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION / NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: John C. Lutes

Title: Director, Pacific Northwest Region

Date: August 31, 1972

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

Ernest Allen Connally
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 Associate Director, Professional Services
 Date: MAY 31 1974

ATTEST:

Charles A. Henry
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: 5-28-74



PNPRO INVENTORY

National Park Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Cultural Resources Division

Westin Building, Room 1920
2001 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98121

NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE/SITE <i>(Building)</i> STEHEKIN SCHOOL		SITE ID. NO.	
SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION East side of Stehekin Road, approx. 3 miles from Stehekin Landing		SCALE 1:24000	
DISTRICT Stehekin		QUAD NAME Stehekin	
OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS Stehekin School District (under special use permit with National Park Service)		UTM ZONE EASTING NORTHING 10 6707055356555	
COUNTY Chelan		CROSS REFERENCE / V-23	
STATE Washington		DANGER OF DEMOLITION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTING <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CONTRIBUTING			

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1921	ADDITION(S) 1980	CURRENT USE School	ORIGINAL USE School
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DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

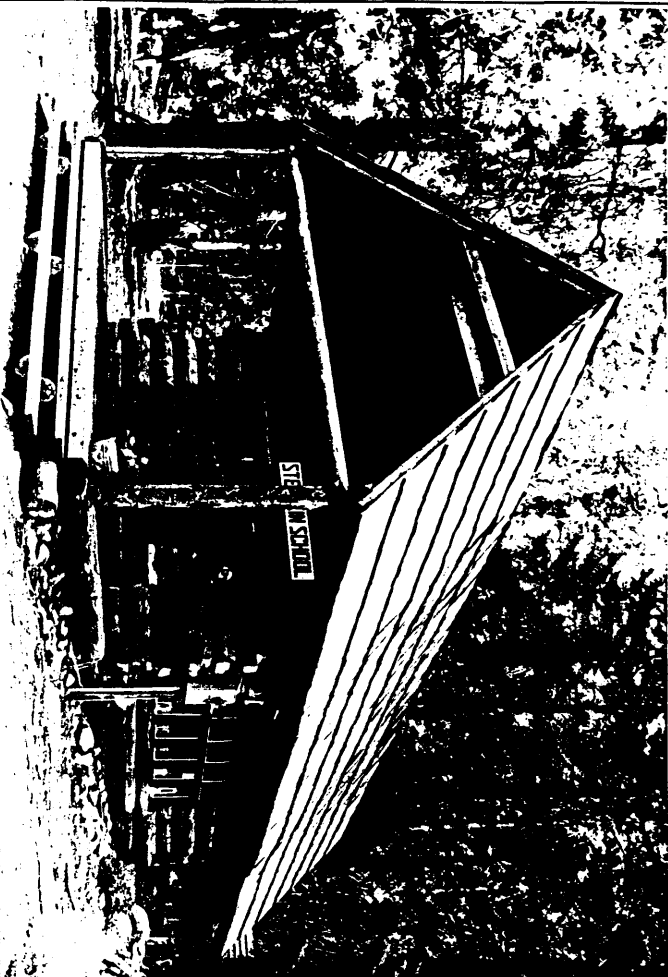
Log cabin with addition. Log construction set on log joist and sill log foundation; rectangle (18' x 26') with 21' addition on north end; 2 bays wide; 1-story; round logs with hand-hewn planked ends and saddle-notched corners; board and batten siding beneath gables at north and south; wood-shaked gable roof extended 6' on south forming porch overhang; vertical wood panel and glass door on south; concrete block center chimney. Exterior features include 1/1 double-pane sash; porch supported by round logs; 1-story clapboard addition on north set on concrete foundation with single-pane fired sash on east and west facades; open shed-roofed porch on north supported by squared posts set on raised concrete foundation. Notable landscape features include 2 wood frame outhouses; small building of log construction for kindergarden.

In August of 1921 the erection of Stehekin's one-room schoolhouse began. Granted a special use permit by the U.S. Forest Service, valley residents volunteered their labor to construct a building on the .6 acre parcel near Rainbow Falls. Using timber from the site, Van and Harry Buckner, Barney Zell, and Fred and Henry Bowman were some of the individuals who helped build the school. The school looks much the same as when first constructed with a few alterations; the addition on the north which doubled the size of the structure was built by Mike Barnhart c.1980; the front porch was rebuilt by Jim Hammett using similar materials in 1982. The log kindergarden building, originally built as a restroom but never used in that

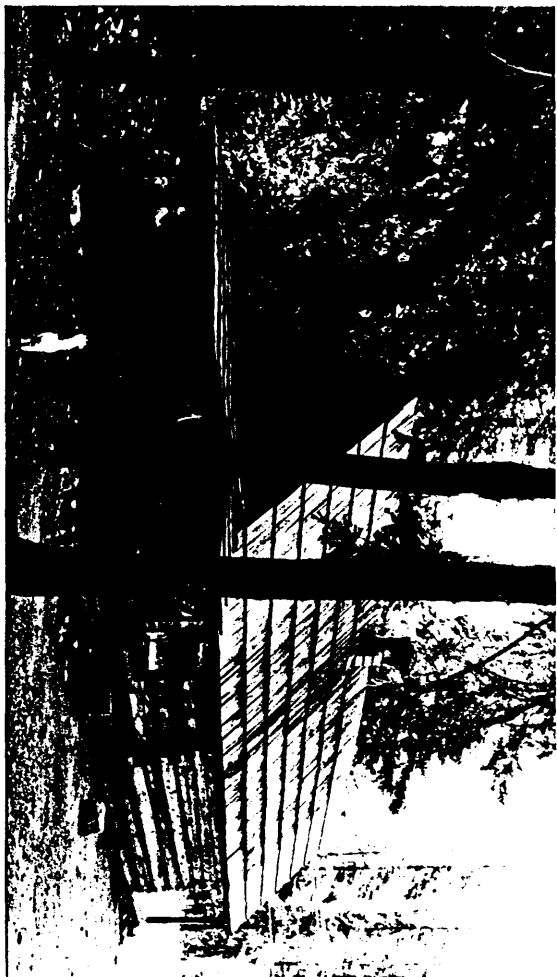
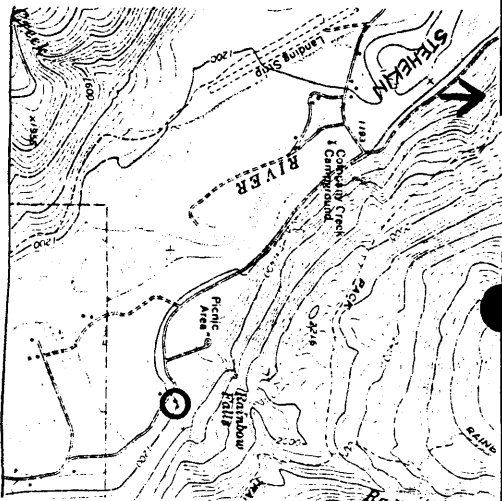
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LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NAME	CONDITION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	FAIR DETERIORATED <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	RUINS <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	

SIGNIFICANCE This early log schoolhouse is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. (continued from above)
capacity, was built by valley resident Ray Courtney in 1979.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION



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NEGATIVE NO. *GL31-2-10*

HABS/HAER QUALITY

YES

NO

REFERENCES

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- Scutt, Ron. Personal interview, 13 April 1984.*
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- U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Forest Service. Special Use Permit, 7 September 1981.*
- Yocum, Leota. "Stehekin School Days", Washington Farmer, 17 July 1958.*

INVENTORIED BY

Gretchen Luxenberg

AFFILIATION

NPS

DATE

Summer 1984