

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC ANDREW SNABLE HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER *NE of Wallpack Center on*
Sandyston-Haney's Mill Road

CITY, TOWN *Wallpack Center inc,*
Wallpack Township VICINITY OF

--- NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
13th, New Jersey

STATE New Jersey CODE 34 COUNTY Sussex CODE 037

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: *(If applicable)* United States Army Corps of Engineers

STREET & NUMBER U.S. Custom House , 2nd & Chestnut Streets

CITY, TOWN Philadelphia VICINITY OF STATE Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. HALL OF RECORDS

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Newton STATE New Jersey

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Classified Structure Field Inventory Report (#404)

DATE April 1976 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Headquarters

CITY, TOWN Bushkill STATE Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Andrew Snable House, located near the Flat Brook, about a mile north of Walpack Center, New Jersey, is a 1½ story stone cabin, probably dating from ca. 1801. The house is thirty-six feet long by twenty feet deep, with a frame sloped roof addition to the rear, which runs the length of the building and is approximately thirteen feet deep. The house is covered with a slate roof, and has two original brick chimneys, slightly indented from the gable ends of the main section. A newer brick chimney projects through the middle of the roof of the rear addition. The front wall of the main section has been roughly stuccoed. There are two front entrance doors; a six panel door with edge moldings in the original doorway, and a modern door in the second entry. A narrow porch roof, supported by three slender posts, extends across about two thirds of the front facade, over the two doorways. The interior has some original details, including beaded wainscot in one room, an original fireplace, a corner winder stair, and cupboards with board and batten doors and original hardware.

The stonework and general structural elements of the house are in unusually good condition. The rear addition is decrepit and detracts from the integrity of the structure. It could easily be removed without any adverse effect. A small spring-house set on the creek which runs behind the house, which had been in fragile condition, was recently damaged by a spring freshet.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" 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			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Andrew Snable House is one of at most a handful of the small early stone cottages remaining in the area, in good condition. These structures, which preceded the larger frame farmhouses built from the mid-19th century on, were once fairly common in this vicinity. The Snable House is probably the best preserved of the group which have survived. As it retains an unusual degree of original detailing, it readily lends itself to architectural and historical interpretation, thereby promising to contribute to a continued understanding of the development of society and culture in the Upper Delaware Valley.

The land upon which the house was built was a part of the large tract owned by Colonel John Rosenkrans, a prominent local militia leader during the American Revolution. Rosenkrans divided his holdings during the late 18th century, giving a total of 671 acres to his sons, Levi and Bery. In 1800, they in turn divided their common holding. During the following year Levi sold 175 acres along the Flat Brook to Andrew Snable. It is supposed that Snable began the construction of this house at about this time.

A date stone in the gable of the house reads 1844, however it is doubtful that this structure was built as late as that year. The features of the house, especially the ca. 1820's--1830's mantelpieces, suggest otherwise. It was not an uncommon practice to repair houses with materials taken from demolished structures, and a date stone would probably have been used as readily as any other stone if it filled an opening. It is conceivable that a later owner chose this method to patch the house. It is also possible that such an owner scratched the date onto the stone himself, on the erroneous impression that the house had been built in 1844.

Later in the 19th century the farm passed through the hands of a series of new owners, including Timothy Shaw, Isaac S. Rundle (by whose name the house is also known locally) and, during the

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.29

UTM REFERENCES

A	18	510840	4557380
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

(See continuation sheet)

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Wayne K. Bodle Park Technician

ORGANIZATION

National Park Service

DATE

4/22/77

STREET & NUMBER

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bushkill

STATE

Pennsylvania

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

Deputy *John Wilson* STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

J. R. Holland

TITLE

Asst. Dir., Cultural Resources

DATE

5/30/79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles A. Downing

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

7.23.79

ATTEST:

Ryan D. Becker

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

July 22, 1979

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Historic Structures Report, Part 1: Architectural Data Section on
Historic Buildings in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.
1967, Federal, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Headquarters,
Bushkill, Pennsylvania.

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20th, George F. Hewitt and the Flatbrook Experimental Farms, Inc. While it was continuously maintained, and received considerable Victorian decoration on the exterior, it retains a substantial amount of the flavor of a small, unpretentious stone farm dwelling. It is as an example of that building type that it merits recognition as an historically important structure.

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The Andrew Snable House is located on United States Army Corps of Engineers TIL Tract #8220-1, which includes a total of 161.64 acres. The boundary of the nominated portion of this property begins at a point on a small unnamed stream which crosses under Sandyston-Haney's Mill Road approximately 4700' north of the small settlement of Walpack Center, New Jersey (centerline of Walpack Center Road and Sandyston-Haney's Mill Road) as shown on the accompanying Army Corps of Engineers tract map. The boundary begins at Point A, on the south bank of the above-mentioned stream, 250' east of Sandyston-Haney's Mill Road. From this point, the boundary turns to the east and extends for 250' to Point C. From this point, the boundary turns to the north and extends for 200' to Point D, on the south bank of the afore-mentioned stream, east of Point A. From this point, the boundary turns to the west and extends for approximately 275' along the bank, back to Point A.