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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC FENNER-SNYDER MILL

AND/OR COMMON

Brinker's Mill; Snyder's Mill; the Old Mill

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Route 209 and Necla Road

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Sciota

VICINITY OF

10th

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Monroe

CODE

089

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES: RESTRICTED
 YES: UNRESTRICTED
 NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER: vacant

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Board of Supervisors, Hamilton Township

STREET & NUMBER

Municipal Building

CITY, TOWN

Sciota

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the Register & Recorder, Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Stroudsburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

1975

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
William Penn Memorial Museum

CITY, TOWN

Box 1026
Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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

Brinker's Mill is a large two and one-half story uncoursed fieldstone structure built in 1800. The Mill, situated on McMichaels Creek is a full two and one-half stories on the creek end but being built into a bank, the land end appears to be one and one-half stories. Horizontal board siding overs the creek end (rear) and the windward side of the mill, this being done in the 19th century to remedy exterior pointing problems.

The front (land end) of the mill is three bays across with the upper and lower middle bays being a six panel door. The lower windows are mortise and tenon six over six double hung sash with wooden sills, the upper have been boarded up. A wooden pent overhanging the middle bay appears at the apex of the front gable end directly underneath is a datestone. Fenestration on the sides is irregular with double hung sash windows appearing on the second level. The creek end is two bays across with windows on both floors and also in the half-floor gable section.

The mill's roof is tin (c. 1860) and boxed wooden cornice is on both sides of the mill. The interior of the mill does not have its original milling equipment but period equipment has been acquired and is on hand for restoration. A 10' by 10' office is to the right of the entrance on the land side. The office has a fireplace but its chimney was torn down but will be replaced. The interior has no other distinguishing features. An undershot mill wheel once graced the exterior but was replaced by a turbine, sometime in the late nineteenth century.

0 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1800

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Bernhard Fenner

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A mill and milling operation is believed to have been associated with the site of this nomination as early as 1729. Tax records indicate that a log mill was in production in 1772. It was probably this mill that was used as a storage place for Sullivan's campaign against the Iroquois in 1779.

The present mill is believed to have been built in 1800 by Bernhard Fenner. It had a continuous milling operation from its inception up to mid-April of 1954. The mill produced both flour and feed.

Although some of the original milling equipment was removed, a supply of milling equipment from other mills is available for restoration purposes. The restoration of the mill will include the replacement of rotten siding boards, the replacement of a chimney in the mill's office and the rehabilitation and assembly of mill machinery.

This mill had been in production for over a century and one-half until it became a victim to more efficient methods of milling. The restoration of this mill will be done by the Township of Hamilton and after its restoration it will be used as a museum. This mill represents one of the largest mills of the area. It was large in both size and the amount of material processed. For its age, it is in respectable condition of repair. With regard to preservation, it will be one of the few efforts made on the restoration of a large scale industrial structure in Pennsylvania. In Monroe County it takes on a larger significance, with regard to preservation awareness and adaptive re-use consciousness.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Charles Dunlevey, Office of Historic Preservation

ORGANIZATION

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

DATE

March 31, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

William Penn Memorial Museum, Box 1026

TELEPHONE

717-787-4363

CITY OR TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

Executive Director
Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

