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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 *Anthony Wayne Cook Mansion*

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

River Drive

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Cooksburg

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

23

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Forest

CODE

*053***3** CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" 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 OWNER OF PROPERTY
 NAME *Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, Jr.*

STREET & NUMBER

River Drive

CITY, TOWN

Cooksburg

STATE

VICINITY OF

*Pennsylvania***5** LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. *Forest County Courthouse*

STREET & NUMBER

Elm Street

CITY, TOWN

Tionesta

STATE

*Pennsylvania***6** REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE *Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places*

DATE

1973
 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

 DEPOSITORY FOR
 SURVEY RECORDS
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT

GOOD

FAIR

DETERIORATED

RUINS

UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED

ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE

MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Anthony Wayne Cook Mansion is set in a large landscaped yard approached by three sets of stone gates. The Queen Anne Style, hipped roof, frame Mansion is currently being restored by heirs of Anthony Wayne Cook. The irregularly shaped mansion has many dormers, a two-story tower, a front gable and a one story porch.

The first story is stuccoed and has large one over one light windows. The second story has horizontal clapboard and the windows are one over one light. The tower and gable ends have decorative shingle clapboard. Four decorative articulated chimneys, as well as dormers and roof ridge decorations add to the elaborateness of the Mansion. Attached to the north elevation is a hipped roof porte-coche're.

Associated with the house is a two story frame carriage house. It has a hipped roof as well as a gable front piece and side hipped roof dormer. The roof also has two cupolas, one with a bell-shaped roof and a horse-shaped weathervane, and an ornate brick chimney. Thin, horizontal siding sheaths the walls and decorative shingles are used in the gable frontpiece. Windows in the carriage house are four over two lights. Also located within the carriage house is an icehouse and to the rear are chicken coops.

The property at one time also had a community ball, none of which remains today.

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 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 **1880** BUILDER/ARCHITECT *Builder Anthony Wayne Cook*

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1826, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania surveyed the Clairion River for the possibility of using it as a link in a canal reaching from Philadelphia to the western borders of Pennsylvania. John Cook, as a surveyor, had the opportunity to explore this area of Pennsylvania and following the survey purchased 765 acres near where Tom's Creek enters the Clarion River and built his home. Near his home he built a sawmill and in the late 1830's began floating lumber down the Clarion by flatboats. His successful business was passed on to his sons upon his death in 1858. Andrew Cook, who later became a judge, developed his father's business into three saw mills, one flouring mills, one planing mill, a store and a boarding house for his employees. Around this successful lumbering business the town of Cooksburg developed.

After the death (1891) of Honorable Andrew Cook, his heirs formed the A. Cook Sons Company. Their heirs were Anthony Wayne Cook, president; Harriet Cook Ross, vice-president; Ida Cook Calvin, John Wesley Cook, Jacob Hill Cook and Thomas B. Cook. For many years the A. Cook Sons Company continued to transport lumber down the Clarion River to the Allegheny River. Later, lumber was transported by rail by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The sawmill continued in operation until 1910, when the heirs began to seek some way of saving the timber that remained.

The idea of making this timber land a public park originated with Major I. McCreight of Dubois and presented the idea to the State Legislature in 1911. However it wasn't until after World War I that any action could be made in making this area a park. On December 17, 1925 the Cook Forest Association was formed for this purpose. On December 28, 1928 the Secretary of the Department of Forest and Waters announced the formal purchase of this tract of virgin white pine and hemlock and the development of the Cooks Forest State Park.

The Anthony Wayne Cook Mansion was built at the height of the Cook Family lumbering business. This huge estate once included the mansion, an ice house, a barn and community ball.

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ANTHONY WAYNE COOK MANSION, Forest County

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 8

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The County of Forest is the least populated county in Pennsylvania today, with a population of only 4000. This also was true of the county in the past. Lumbering was and still is the most important industry. The Cook family was the major lumbering family in the County. The town of Cooksburg was the center of the Cook family lumbering business. The word town is a bit of an exaggeration as the community only has a population of 100 and most of the present structures are summer cottages and cabins. The Cook Mansion is by far the most elaborate and largest in the whole community. Built at the apex of the Cook family business it was the show place of the area. The Cook Mansion was the hub of the family business during its boom years of the 1880's to 1900's. Its Queen Anne styling is unusual in the small community where the majority of remaining early structures are small two and one-half story five bay by two bay rectangular frame houses.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Archives Forest Press, Newspaper, Tionest

Cook, May F. History of Cook Forest. published by Author, 1951.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 5 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Cookesburg, PA

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A | 1,7 | 6 | 5,0 | 0,8,0 | 4,5 | 7,6 | 9,8,0 |

B | 1,7 | 6 | 5,0 | 2,1,0 | 4,5 | 7,6 | 9,2,0 |

ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C | 1,7 | 6 | 5,0 | 3,0,0 | 4,5 | 7,6 | 8,2,0 |

ZONE EASTING NORTHING
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Starting at NW intersection of L.R. 27018 and L.R. 27032 then NE along L.R. 27032 for 400 ft. then NW for 400 ft then SW for 100 ft. then NW along North side of Forest Rd: for 400 ft. then SW for 200 ft to LR 27018 then SE along north side of LR 27018 for 600 ft. to starting point.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Susan M. Zacher

ORGANIZATION

Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

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

ED WEINTRAUB, Director
Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

10-16-78

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

DATE

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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ATTEST:

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CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

Anthony Wayne Cook Mansion
Forest County
Zone 17

A	E650080	N4576980
B	E650310	N4576920
C	E650300	N4576820
D	E650190	N4576740
E	E650050	N4576920

