

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

Brodhead Farm ("Wheat Plains") (Preferred)

AND/OR COMMON

Heller Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

U.S. 209

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Lehman Township

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

10th, Pennsylvania

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Pike

CODE

103

3 CLASSIFICATION

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

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (if applicable)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

STREET & NUMBER

U.S. Custom House

CITY, TOWN

Philadelphia

VICINITY OF

STATE

PA

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Pike County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Milford

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Historic Structures Report, Part 1, Architectural Data Section on Historic Buildings in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

DATE

1967

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

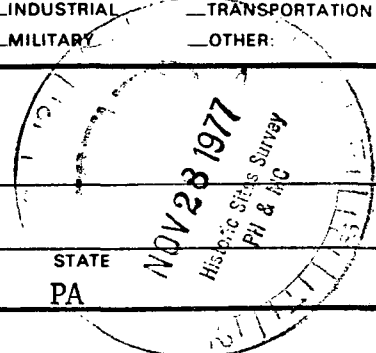
Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Headquarters

CITY, TOWN

Bushkill

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 Brodhead-Heller farm complex consists of a large farmhouse, several barns and other outbuildings, located, like the nearby Eshback Farm Complex, at the base of a steep ridge near U.S. 209 overlooking broad river fields.

The Brodhead farmhouse is a large 2½ story frame building, covered with clapboard siding. The house dates from the late 18th century or early 19th century, the earliest part possibly being the remains of a log structure. The house has been added to and expanded with a certain amount of abandon since its origin, and retains features from each of its periods. The stone back of one of the gable and chimneys is exposed on the exterior, a common trait in 18th and early 19th century houses in the area. The boxed cornice is returned on the gables, and the eaves are flared in the Dutch manner. The roof is covered with slate. Three late period dormers adorn the front of the house. Across the center of the facade is a two story, twentieth century porch. There are two entrances in the front, one early, the other Victorian. The interior of the house reflects its many periods of construction and expansion, and appropriate trim and detail remains from each of these periods.

There are several modern barns, sheds, and other farm buildings on the property. These are of no particular architectural note, but they serve the working farm and add to its scenic and historic appearance.

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		
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<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 Broadhead-Heller Farm is significant as the homestead of one of the earliest families to settle on the fertile river flats of the Pennsylvania side of the Upper Delaware Valley, and as one of the most continuously prosperous farms in the area from that day to the present. The eclectic upgrading of the design of the main farmhouse is expressive of the continued influence of changing architectural traditions on the more prosperous homes in the region.

This farmstead was originally settled by Garret Brodhead, a soldier in the American Revolution who came to the Valley in the 1770's and acquired a tract of more than 370 acres along Delaware River. The initial cabin which he built may be the still visible nucleus of the present building. The prosperity which the family soon acquired was a direct reflection of its early location in the area, and its resultant settlement on one of the better tracts of land, along the river. That prosperity allowed the family to continuously improve the size and condition of their home. In doing so, they made it into a kind of eclectic museum of popular styles in domestic architecture in the area, from the Dutch chimneyback and flared eaves, to the decorative twentieth century porch.

The property remained in the hands of the Brodhead family until 1871, when it was sold to Cornelius Swartwood. A bare twenty-three years passed before it was re-acquired by Robert P. Brodhead. It continued in the Brodhead family until recent years. This farm preserves, perhaps better than any other in the vicinity, the sense of prosperity and good living, within an agricultural context, of the elite bottom land farms along the Delaware River.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Souder, Norman M. Historic Structures Report, Part 1, Architectural Data Section on Historic Buildings in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area 1967. Pp. 35-36

Henn, William F., The Story of the River Road: Life Along the Delaware from Bushkill to Milford, Pike County, Pennsylvania, 1975. N.P.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 9.4

UTM REFERENCES

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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

Wayne K. Bodle 3/15/78
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

TITLE

DATE

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

DATE

ATTEST: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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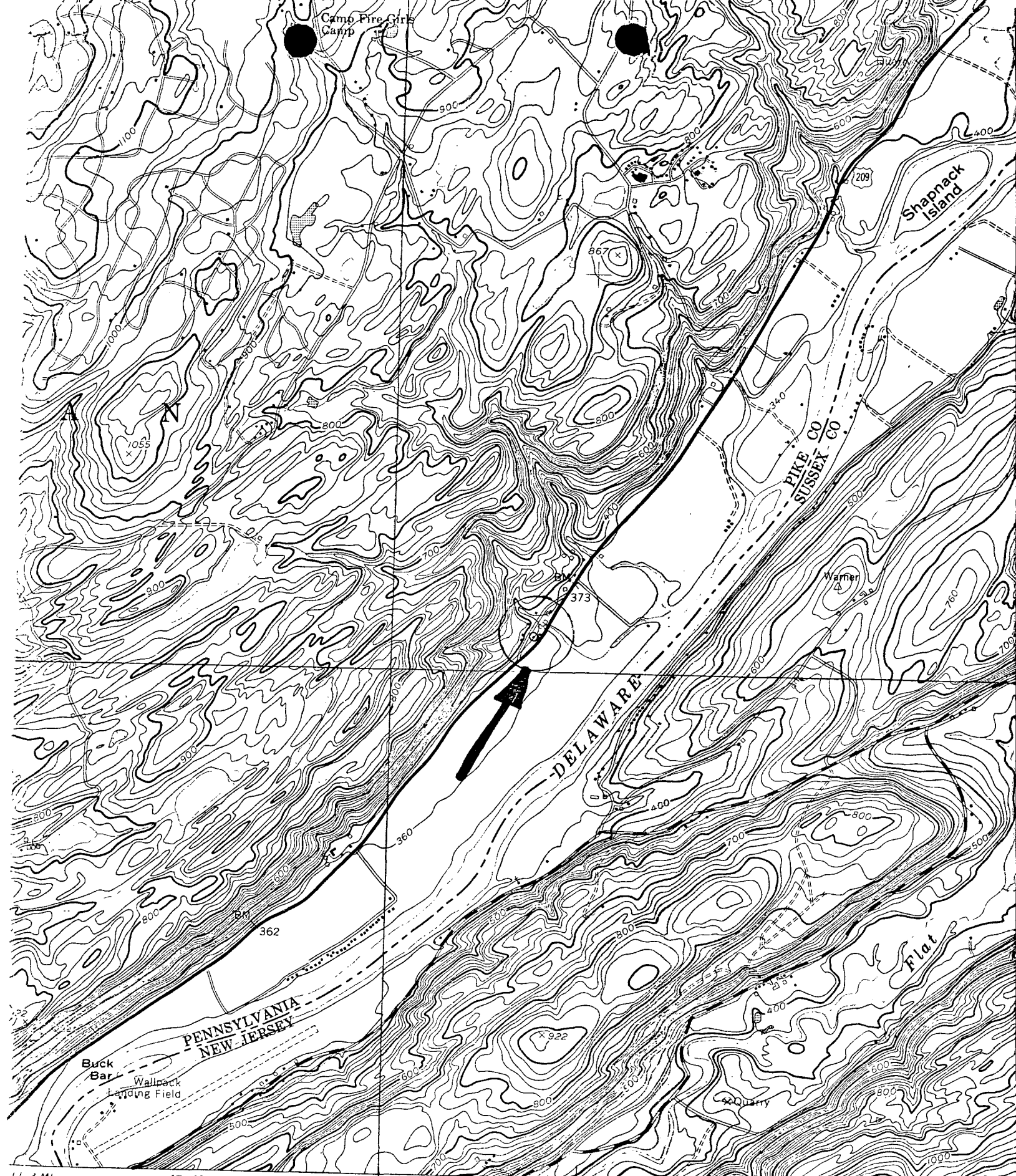
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Verbal Boundary Description
(Brodhead-Heller Farm Complex)

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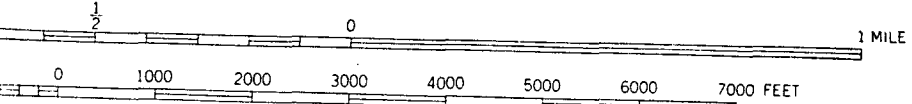
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The Brodhead-Heller Farm Complex is located on United States Army Corps of Engineers TIL Tract #8500, which includes a total of 388.18 acres. The boundary of the nominated portion of the property begins at a point along the western edge of the U.S. 209 right of way 300' south of the intersection of the northern tract boundary line with the right of way (Point A). From this point, the boundary follows the right of way southward for 1000' to Point B, where it turns to the west and extends perpendicularly to the right of way for 350' to Point C. From this point, the boundary turns to the north for 1050' to Point D. From this point, the boundary turns to the east and extends for 380' back to Point A.



LL 4 MI. TROUDSBURG 16 MI. (FLATBROOKVILLE) 6066 III SW FLATBROOKVILLE 2.8 MI 55' 508

SCALE 1:24000



LAKE MASKENOZHA

Heavy-duty
Medium-duty

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