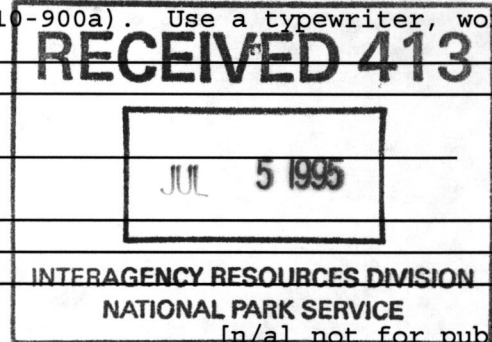


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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties or districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classifications, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.



1. Name of Property

historic name Lucas Krom Stone House

other names/site number n/a

2. Location

street & number 286 Whitfield Road

[n/a] not for publication

city, town Rochester

[n/a] vicinity

state New York code NY county Ulster

code 111 zip code 12404

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

J.W. Alden
Dupty Commissioner for Historic Preservation
Signature of certifying official

26 June '95
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. [] see continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:)

Edson H. Beall
Signature of keeper
Date of Action 8-10-95
Entered in the National Register

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Ulster County, New York

Name of Property

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property (do not include previously listed resources in the count)
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Name of related multiple property listings (enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)	Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
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The Historic and Architectural Resources of the Town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York n/a

6. Function or Use

Historic Function (enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)
<u>DOMESTIC/single dwelling</u>	<u>DOMESTIC/single dwelling</u>
<u>DOMESTIC/secondary structure</u>	<u>DOMESTIC/secondary structure</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter categories from instructions)
<u>OTHER/vernacular</u>	foundation <u>Stone</u>
_____	walls <u>Stone</u>
_____	roof <u>Metal</u>
_____	other _____
_____	_____

Narrative Description

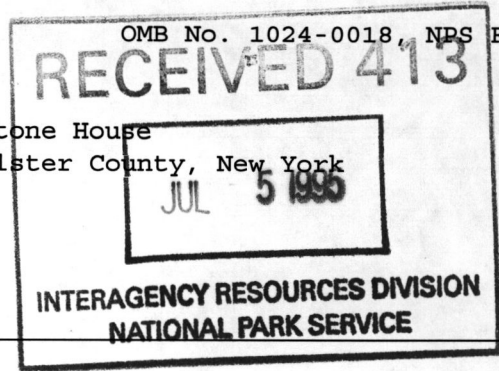
(describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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The Lucas Krom house is located in a rural setting in the town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York. The property is on the west side of Whitfield Road just north of the intersection with Upper Whitfield Road on a seven-acre parcel of land and is visible from the road. The nominated property sits upon an irregularly shaped 7 acre parcel of land that is bounded on the east by Whitfield Road, to the west by the North Peterskill, to the south by the historic Rider property and to the north by a modern residential lot. The rear (west) facade of the stone house is highly visible from the road. The house sits atop a hill facing south and overlooking Upper Whitfield Road. Just in front of the house a stone retaining wall runs parallel to the house creating a small grass terrace. A bluestone walk leads from the front porch east to Whitfield road where a horse block is located near the shoulder of the road. The house is approached by an unpaved driveway from the north at the top of the hill. Behind the house and to the northwest is a small shed that has been converted into a two car garage (non-contributing). Directly west of the frame addition off the rear of the house is a wooden smokehouse (contributing) and further to the west there is a ca.1930 privy (non-contributing). Behind the house and beyond the driveway entrance to the north is the barn complex. The initial Dutch barn faces east to the road and is located close to the shoulder. A gambrel wing extends off the north side with an attached wood silo. The nominated property contains three contributing buildings (ca. 1760 stone house, ca. 1800 Dutch barn, ca 1990 smoke house) and a contributing carriage mounting block. A non-contributing twentieth century privy and garage are also located on the property.

There are numerous historic features in the immediate vicinity of the Krom residence. The western boundary of the property is formed by the North Peterskill which was the source of water power for numerous mills in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. From the 1875 Atlas of Ulster County, a former grist mill that was associated with the house is known to have been located in the immediate vicinity. The former mill seat may be located on the property, but the site has not been investigated for evidence of a foundation or dam; the location is well suited for a mill seat and is the most likely location. Below, and directly adjacent to the property on the south is the historic stone Rider residence (# 53) [1]. Further up the hill on Upper Whitfield Road is the historic Krom (#52) house. A number of historic frame residences from the nineteenth century are also located nearby. Northeast of the house and situated across Whitfield Road is "Accord Speedway," a racetrack for automobiles. This northeast corner of this property is contiguous with the southwest corner of the speedway.

The **Krom residence** is a linear one and one-half story stone house built in two sections. The presumed initial construction is found at the west end of the house. This section is defined by a gable end wall entirely of stone from the ground level to the roof ridge. The only windows at this end are two evenly spaced units on the second floor. The later east gable end wall is built with a clapboard peak from the eaves to

1. These numbers reference entries in the *The Historic and Architectural Resources of the Town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York* (see Appendix A)..

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the ridge. Two evenly spaced ground floor and second floor windows are located here. The front (south) facade is five bays wide with a recessed central doorway. The door has matching sidelights at each side but no transom. All of the windows throughout the house are two-over-two replacements. The front entry is protected by a central three-bay open porch. The shed roofed porch is ornamented with alternating single and paired brackets in the simple cornice and open ogee arches with a central pendant that are supported by simple posts on a wood deck. The front roof of the stone house has two gable dormers. The larger central gable has been added since the 1967 Junior League survey; the smaller dormer to the east predated that survey. The eastern half of the rear (north) facade of the stone house is exposed to view; the western half is covered by a late nineteenth-century two-story frame ell. The exposed stone wall contains a window directly abutting the frame addition, a door west of center and a single window to the east whose height has been diminished by raising the sill. The door and west window are protected by the extension of a one-story wrap-around porch which covers the full-length of the east facade of the frame ell. The frame ell is five bays long with a door located south of center on the east side under the porch. The gable roof of the wing is only slightly lower than the ridge of the initial stone house. The west wall of the frame ell lines up with the west gable end of the stone house.

The frame **smoke house** is a simple one-story square structure with a metal-clad gable roof. A door on the east side is the sole wall opening. The roof is punctuated by a central six inch square wood vent in the ridge. The building is clad with drop siding and is soot encrusted on the interior.

The **Dutch barn** is a rare extant example of its kind. The gable ended structure is built into a west-facing hillside. The central front (east) entry is located at ground level and is protected by a pentice. Inside, the barn is four bays long with a traditional H-frame construction. The principal beam of the H-frame has rounded projecting tenons supported by knee braces. Transverse struts below the principal beam support the side walls. The floor plan consists of two side aisles outside the H-frame and a broad tight-floored central aisle. The rafters are all sawn timbers with forked connections at the ridge. The barn is in poor condition and in danger of being lost. The rear northwest corner of the roof has fallen in and there is deterioration of some structural members there. Below the main floor there is an early enclosed livestock area under the back (western) third. A one-bay shed roofed extension was added across the west gable end for hay storage and livestock below. To the north there is a one-story gambrel roof ell. This wing is built with dimension lumber and dates from the early twentieth century. Contemporary with the gambrel wing is a round wood-stave silo that is held together by iron bands.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark an "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- [] A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
[] B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
[X] C Property that embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
[] D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.

Area of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture
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[]
[]

Period of Significance

ca.1760-1800, 1890
[]
[]
[]

Significant Dates

ca.1760, 1800
[]
[]

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- [] A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
[] B removed from its original location.
[] C a birthplace or grave.
[] D a cemetery.
[] E a reconstructed building, object or structure.
[] F a commemorative property.
[] G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above.)

n/a

Cultural Affiliation

n/a
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[]

Architect/Builder

n/a
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[]

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): Primary location of additional data:

- [] preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested [X] State historic preservation office
[] previously listed in the National Register [] Other State agency
[] previously determined eligible by the National Register [] Federal agency
[] designated a National Historic Landmark [] Local government
[] recorded by Historic American Building Survey # [] University
[] recorded by Historic American Engineering Name of repository:

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The Lucas Krom house is significant as an outstanding regional example of a mid-eighteenth century stone dwelling architecture. This vernacular house is historically and architecturally significant as an example of the linear stone dwelling house architecture typically found in the Hudson Valley region and in Ulster County, New York.[2] The characteristic features of this style include stone construction, a linear plan, and a simple gable roof. Nineteenth-century modifications that include the frame addition are typical of that period. This house is one of seventy-one stone or brick houses (both former and existing) identified in Rochester which were built before 1944; sixty-four were built before 1850 and of these fifty-six are extant. The linear one-and-one-half story stone house was the predominant form of stone dwelling architecture in Ulster County, and in the town of Rochester from the late seventeenth century until the mid nineteenth century.

The house is also significant as one of only three one-story houses to have an all-stone gable end, the vast majority have all or part of the gable finished in clapboard. The significance of this construction has not been determined. The only other homes to share this characteristic gable construction are the Baker (# 49) and Krom (# 52) residences.

The property is also historically and architecturally significant for the Dutch barn dating from before the mid-nineteenth century.[3] To date, only nine barns of this era remain standing in the town of Rochester (#'s 3, 32, 40, 43, 51, 58, 65, 84, & 90), all of which are associated with stone houses. Originally, there were many more. As one of the few extant examples in any condition and as an illustration of barn evolution and use, this barn complex is an important example. This barn's evolution documents the changing agrarian lifestyles of the inhabitants of the town of Rochester. The barn is also significant for the gambrel-roofed addition at the north.

The Krom residence is historically important for the multiple functions of the property. Of special significance is the association of the former grist mill operated by Lucas Krom, Jr. who lived here. The mill was built ca. 1840 and was being operated by Lucas Krom in 1880 [Sylvester, p. 225]. In 1871 he was cited as having a grist mill and being a farmer with 275 acres of land. [Child, p. 232.] The Krom family are historically important in Rochester. A number of stone houses in the Whitfield area (formerly Newtown) are attributed to the family who populated many of the homes in the immediate vicinity and which dates from the settlement period. Houses such as this

2. See the multiple property registration document titled, *The Historic and Architectural Resources of the Town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York*, Section F, Property Type 1, Residential Architecture.

3. See the multiple property registration document titled, *The Historic and Architectural Resources of the Town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York*, Section F, Property Type 2, Domestic and Agricultural Outbuildings.

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one, built in the upland areas of Rochester, are second and possibly third generation homes which document family growth and dispersion. The property also records the branching out into varied industrial pursuits from the initial agrarian focus.

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Name of Property

County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 7 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

Table with 6 columns: Zone, Easting, Northing for four different reference points (1, 2, 3, 4).

Verbal Boundary Description

(Explain the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Harry Hansen (edited by: J.A. Bonafide, Program Analyst, NYSOPRHP)
organization Kyserike Restorations, Inc date April, 1995
street & number 2545 Lucas Turnpike telephone (914) 687-0854
city or town High Falls state NY zip code 12440

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name n/a
street & number
city or town state zip code

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10. Geographical Data

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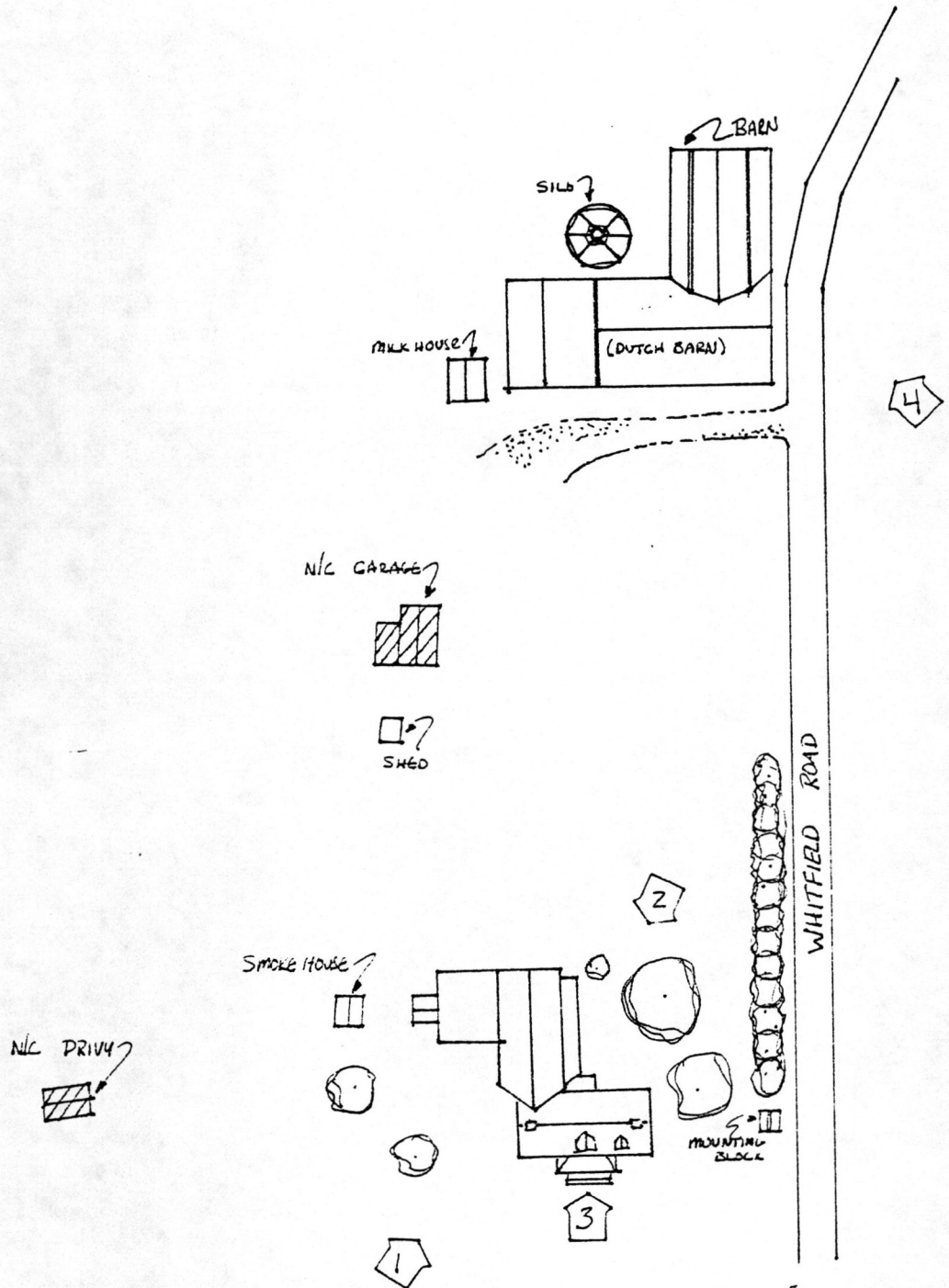
The boundary for the nominated property is shown as the heavy black outline on the accompanying map entitled "Krom Stone House, Town of Rochester, Ulster County, New York" and is further identified as block 1, lot 3 of Tax Map 69.001.

Boundary Justification

The boundary for the nominated property has been drawn to coincide with the current legal lot.

The Lucas Krom Stone House

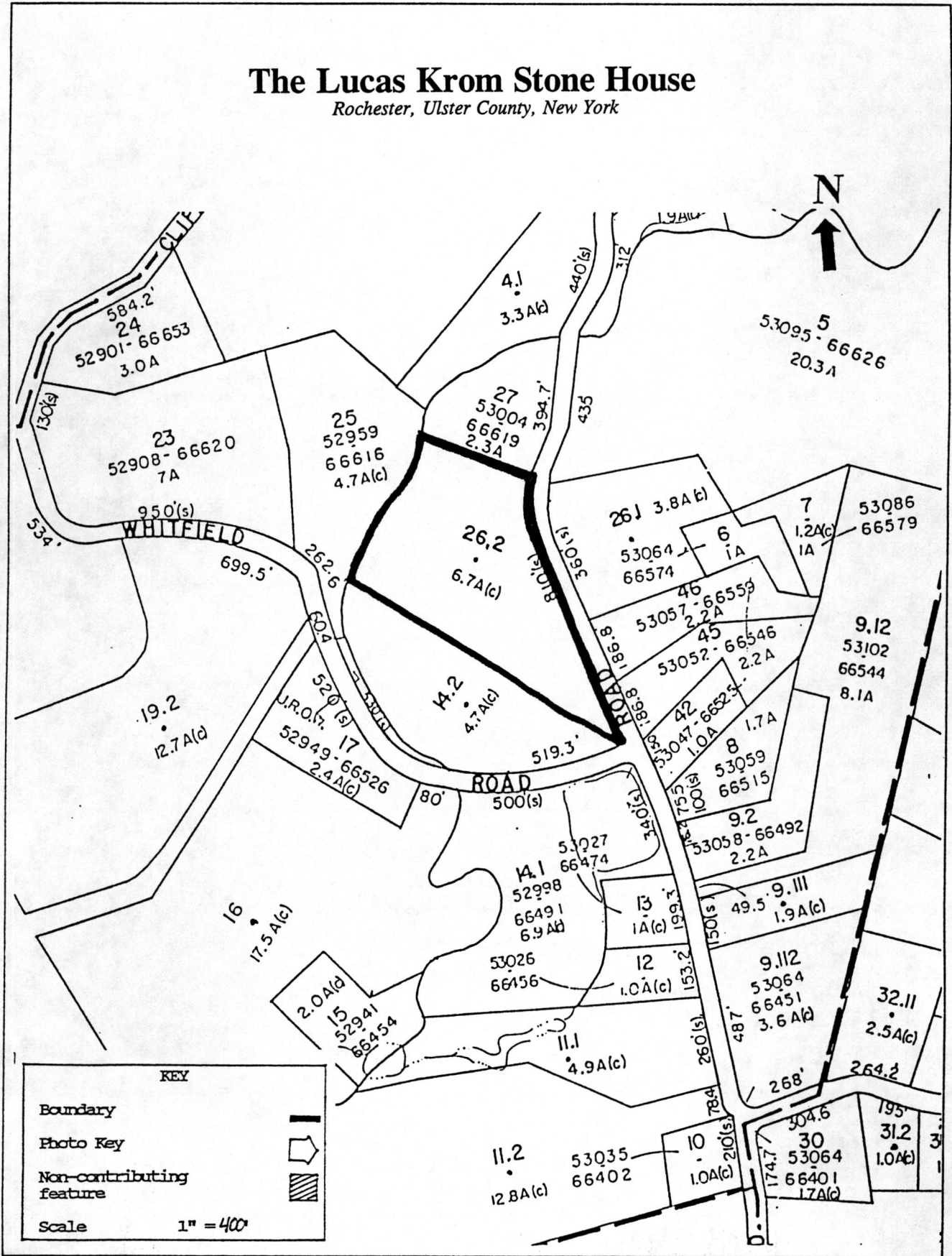
Rochester, Ulster County, New York
(Site Plan)



KEY	
Boundary	—
Photo Key	◡
Non-contributing feature	▨

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Krom, Lucas, Stone House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Rochester MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NEW YORK, Ulster

DATE RECEIVED: 7/05/95 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 7/18/95
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/03/95 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/19/95
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 95000953

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 8.10.95 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



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Neg. at: H. Hansen, Stone Ridge, N.Y.

Photo 1, South + West elevations



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Photo 2, north elevation



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Photo 3, entrance

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Photo 4, Dutch Barn

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500464