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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties or districts. See instructions in 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 Curtis-Crumb Farm

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 307 Curtis Road

[N/A] not for publication

city, town Hilton vicinity

[N/A] vicinity

state New York code 036 county Monroe

code 055 zip code 14468

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.)

JW. Alden
Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation, OPRHP
Signature of certifying official

8 Nov-96

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.)

N/A
Signature of commenting or other official

Date

N/A
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:)

Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

[Signature] 1-3-97

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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)		
		Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> buildings	3	1	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	0	0	sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	2	0	structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structures	2	0	objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	7	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listings (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

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>Agriculture/Subsistence</u>	<u>Agriculture/Subsistence</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter categories from instructions)
<u>Mid-19th century: Greek Revival</u>	foundation <u>Field Stone and Mortar</u>
_____	walls <u>Clapboard</u>
_____	<u>Wood frame with interlocking joints</u>
_____	roof <u>Asphalt Shingles</u>
	other _____

Narrative Description

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Description

The Curtis-Crumb farm is located at 307 Curtis Road in the Town of Parma, two miles northeast of the Village of Hilton, in Monroe County, New York. The nomination consists of 141 of the original 145 acres which were farmed by the original and subsequent owners until 1967. The farmstead which is one-and-a-half acres includes the main farmhouse, a carriage house, a hog pen, a smokehouse, a corn crib, a stone wall, and a split rail fence. The farm has been owned by only two families since 1845.

Built in 1845, the farmhouse is a front-gabled Greek Revival structure with a side wing. The gabled front portion has four original six-over-six windows and a centered entry with a simple entablature without a transom or sidelights. There is a discontinuous band of trim beneath the cornice across the gable front of the main roof. This continues along the sides revealing one small frieze-band window on the east side and three frieze-band windows on the west side, all covered with an iron grate fashioned with a decorative pattern.

The side wing of the house extends from the east side of the front-gabled section and has eight original six-over-six windows, a front doorway and a simple, porch with square, Doric columns that transverses across three-quarters of the front.

The interior of the house has had only minor modifications in its one hundred and fifty-one year life. In 1900, the roof was raised over the dining room/sitting room/kitchen area creating a second floor. The interior has all of its original woodwork including two-panelled doors with original hardware, i.e knobs and locks; shouldered architrave woodwork, door and window surrounds; and wood panels in the wall beneath the windows. With the exception of the addition of a family room to the rear of the structure, kitchen renovations and the addition of a fireplace in 1984, there have been no other interior alterations.

Located southeast of the main house is the carriage house which is a one-story, frame, clapboard structure. The foundation is of field stone and rises three feet from the ground. The ground floor is currently used as a garage. Inside there is a one-room loft which once served as modest quarters for the hired help. It is still intact containing the original wood-burning stove.

The hog pen is a one-story frame barn located to the rear of the house at the southwest corner. It is very similar in appearance to the carriage house but on a smaller scale and has a field stone foundation and clapboard siding. There are also five six-pane divided-light windows on the four sides of the structure, two of which are on the front.

The smoke house, which is located to the east of the hog pen, also to the southwest of the house, is a small, eight foot by ten foot stone

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building used to preserve the meat through the smoking process. Since smokehouses by definition of their purpose needed to be airtight, this structure does not contain any windows.

The corn crib is located on the southeastern portion of the farmstead, north of the main barn. This is a one-story peg and post barn with hand-hewn timbers. This granary once contained an interior loft which has since been removed.

The only non-contributing feature on the property is the main barn which is divided into two sections. The westernmost section is a two-story frame structure. The easternmost, the larger section, consists of a one-story block barn.

The west and south sides of the main yard boast a flagstone wall that divides the farmstead from the former orchards, pastures and fields. This extends perpendicular from Curtis Road approximately two hundred and seventy feet along the west side of the farmstead and then extends approximately two hundred and fifty feet along the back edge of the farmstead.

The last contributing element includes the cedar split rail fence which runs along the eastern edge of the main yard and continues approximately a quarter mile down to the creek at the southern edge of the farm property, parallel to the lane (used to move the cattle from the barn to the fields). Although the fence itself has recently been rebuilt, most of it was reassembled using some original stock found in the hedgerow at the south end of the property.

The Curtis-Crumb Farm maintains a high degree of integrity as a nineteenth-century farm. Although the main barn is no longer extant, all of the other existing outbuildings remain intact and in fair to excellent condition. The farm continues in use today.

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.
- 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.

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.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

- Agriculture
- Architecture
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Period of Significance

1845 - 1900

Significant Dates

1845 House built
1900 Roof raised over dining room
1845-1950 Curtis Residency

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above.)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

Builder: Elias Curtis

Narrative Statement of Significance

See Continuation Sheet

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 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 Other

Name of repository:

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Statement of Significance

The Curtis-Crumb farm located on Curtis Road is architecturally significant as an intact representative example of mid-nineteenth century rural Greek Revival architecture. The nominated parcel consists of the following contributing elements: the main farmhouse, a carriage house, a hog pen, a smoke house, a corn crib, a stone wall which runs from Curtis Road approximately two-hundred and seventy feet along the west side of the farmstead, and a cedar split rail fence that runs along the eastern edge of the farmstead and continues approximately a quarter mile down to the creek at the southern edge of the farm property, as well as 141 of the original 145 acres. The entire complex reflects the growth of the agrarian community and the sudden growth and subsequent further development of this region of Western New York.

The 145-acre property was purchased by thirty-year-old Elias Curtis in 1835 on which he built a log cabin. Built at the corner of Bennett and Curtis Roads, this structure remained on the property until the 1950s. While he resided in this cabin, he cleared the 145 acres and began construction on a larger home. The house was completed in 1845 and was a modest example of rural Greek Revival architecture. The house remains intact complete with original six-over-six windows and shutters, shouldered architrave woodwork around the doors and windows in the dining room and parlor, panelled reveals below the windows, and the original two-panel doors. The interior remains virtually unaltered with the exception of a family room addition at the rear. In 1900, the roof was raised over the kitchen/dining area of the house to create a second floor. This modification was included in the period of significance because of the farms continued operation and continued ownership of the property by the Curtis family.

The outbuildings were completed shortly after the completion of the house at which time the farm became self-sufficient containing horses, hogs, and cattle and producing grains, apples, pears and plums. Along with the aforementioned structures, a two-to-three story barn was built to house the cows and horses. This continued in its use until it burned in January of 1951 and was replaced with a more modern barn. This modern structure is the only non-contributing component of the complex.

In 1948, a four acre parcel located on Curtis Road halfway between North Avenue and Bennett Road containing a tenant house was subdivided from the original parcel. The house stood until 1978 at which time it burned. Shortly thereafter, the tenant house burned and the parcel now contains a cable television tower and substation. Because of this disassociation from the property, these four acres are not included in the nomination.

Beyond the one-and-a-half acre farmstead, are the remaining 139.5 acres which at one time functioned as the crop fields, the pastures, and the orchards. A cedar split rail fence runs parallel to the lane dividing the

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pastures and fields. Although this fence was recently rebuilt, most of it was reassembled using some original stock found in the hedgerow at the south end of the property.

The property remained in the Curtis family until it was sold to Howard and Dorothy Fraser Crumb in 1950. Dorothy was the niece of Evan Fraser who resided with the Curtis family from 1875-1932. Howard continued to farm the property until his death in 1967. The Curtis-Crumb farm retains a high degree of integrity as a nineteenth-century rural agrarian complex that is still in use today.

Major Bibliographical References

Bodner, Connie Cox, The Development of Nineteenth-Century Agricultural Practices and Their Manifestation in Farmsteads in the Genesee River Valley. Rochester, New York, 1990.

Curtis - Crumb Farm
Name of Property

Monroe County, New York
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of property 141 Acres

UTM References

1	<u>1</u> <u>8</u>	<u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>4</u> <u>9</u> <u>3</u> <u>0</u>	<u>4</u> <u>7</u> <u>9</u> <u>8</u> <u>8</u> <u>8</u> <u>2</u>	2	<u>1</u> <u>8</u>	<u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>4</u> <u>9</u> <u>2</u> <u>4</u>	<u>4</u> <u>7</u> <u>9</u> <u>8</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u> <u>9</u>
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Verbal Boundary Description

This nomination includes that area bounded by Curtis Road on the north and Bennett Road on the East. The southern edge of the property is bounded by the "Smith Hedgerow" which is approximately to the northernmost boundary of the Hilton Village line. The West boundary extends to the boundary of the "McCracken Field" and "Nundy Field" which is approximately one-third of the distance between North Avenue and Bennett Road from North Avenue. This parcel excludes a four acre parcel facing Curtis Road halfway between North Avenue and Bennett Road.

Boundary Justification

The entire nominated parcel was the original Elias Curtis Farm. This includes the four acres excluded from the nomination but which cannot be included because of its subdivision in 1948.

11. Form Prepared By David H. Crumb

Contact:

name/title Elisabeth A. Bakker Johnson, Historic Preservation Specialist
organization NYS Office of Parks, Rec. & Historic Preservation date June 1996
street & number Peebles Island, PO Box 189 telephone 518-237-8643
city or town Waterford state NY zip code 12188-0189

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 David H. Crumb
street & number 307 Curtis Road
city or town Village of Hilton state NY zip code 14462

PARMA, N.Y.
CURTIS CRUMB HOME
CA. 1845

220 W(421)

195

(66' WIDE) 1331(S)

197.0(S)

452.40

270

577.16

Acct. #
600.00-2-5009/HILT

15
4.0A(C)

1.5A(C)

247.95

HYDRANT WATER DISTRICT

1369.5

51

1182(S)

52

2
145.8A(C)

2220(S)

229(S)

380(S)

AVENUE

NORTH

116(S)

BENNETT ROAD

2786(S)

7
89.6A(C)

2

2170(S)

Crumb-SMITH line - Hedgerow

2680(S)
7181(S)

Curtis-Crumb Farm
Hilton Vic, Monroe Co, NY
copy of Tax Map

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Curtis--Crumb Farm

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NEW YORK, Monroe

DATE RECEIVED: 11/21/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 12/03/96
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/19/96 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/05/97
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96001509

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: NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 1.3.97 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA

Accept etc

REVIEWER

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DISCIPLINE

Architectural History

TELEPHONE

DATE

1/3/97

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



Curtis - Crumb Farm
Hilton Vic, Monroe County, NY
David H. Crumb, photographer
Summer 1996

Neg. Available through NYSHPD
Main House, Looking South
Photo #1

Curtis - Crumb
Home Farm, Monroe Co
NY. ca 1845



Curtis-Crumb Farm
Hilton Vic, Monroe County, Ny
David H. Crumb, photographer
Summer 1996

Neg. available through NYSHPD
Carriage Shed, Looking South
Photo # 2



Curtis-Crumb Farm
Hilton Vic, Monroe County, NY
David H. Crumb, photographer
Summer 1996
Neg. available through Ny SHPO
Smoke house, Looking North west
Photo # 3



Curtis-Crumb Farm

Hilton Vic, Monroe County, NY

David H. Crumb, photographer

Summer 1996

Neg. Avail. through NYSHPD

Corn Crib, Looking east

Photo # 4



Curtis - Crumb Farm

Hilton vic, Monroe County, NY

David H. Crumb, photographer

Summer 1996

Neg. Available through NY SHPD

Hog pen, Looking South west

Photo # 5



Curtis - Crumb Farm
Hilton Vic, Monroe County, NY
David H. Crumb, Photographer
Summer 1996
Neg. Available through NY SHPO
Stone wall, Looking South
Photo #6



Curtis-Crumb Farm

Hilton Vic, Monroe County, Ny

David H. Crumb, photographer

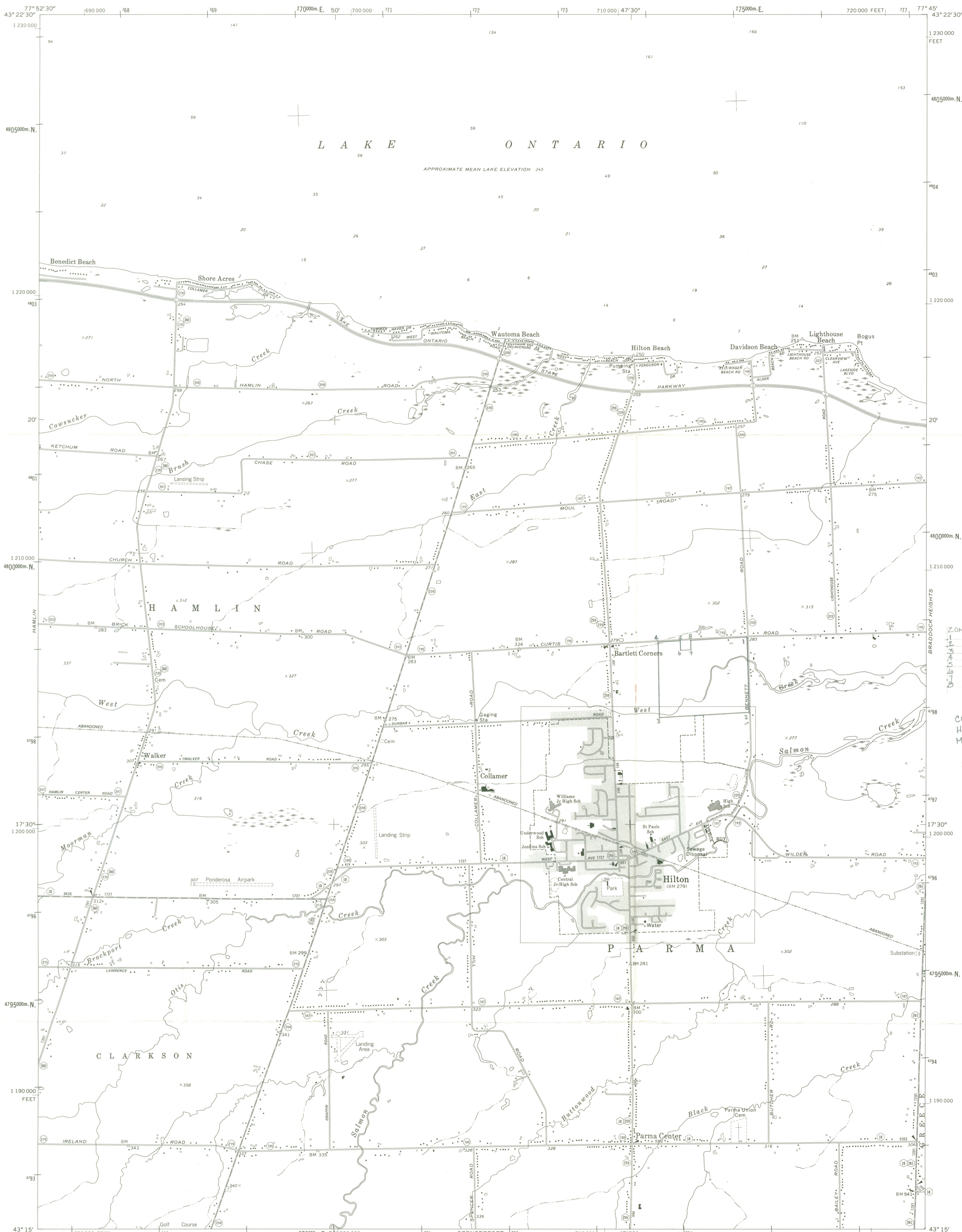
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Neg. Available through Ny SHPO

Split rail fence, Looking South

Photo # 7

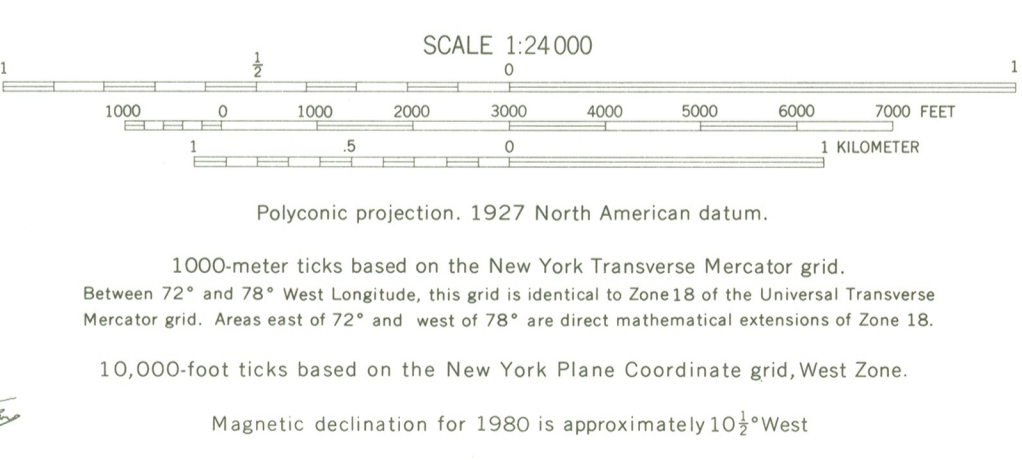
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6	274171	479874
7	274297	479876
8	274295	479877

CURTIS-CRUMB FARM
HILTON VIC
MONROE COUNTY, NEW YORK
HILTON QUAD

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BOUNDARIES:

State.....
County.....
Town or City.....
Incorporated Village.....

ROADS:

Touring Route markers:
Interstate.....
U. S.
State.....
State Highway number and limit.....
County road.....
Interchange number.....

Divided highways and streets:
Wide mall or barrier.....
Narrow mall or barrier.....

Undivided highways and streets:
4 or more lanes.....
Less than 4 lanes.....

Vehicle track; trail.....