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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and 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 the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, 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 Hocking Valley Coal Company Town Historic District
Other names/site number Eclipse Company Town Historic District (preferred)

2. Location

street & number Jackson Drive and Arbor Drive not for publication
city or town The Plains vicinity
state Ohio code OH county Athens code 009 zip code 45780

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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.)

Barbara Turner Department Head April 20, 2007
Signature of certifying official Inventory & Registration Date

Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society

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): _____

Signature of Keeper Patrick Andrews Date of Action 6/22/2007

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
15	0	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
15	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

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

Historic Resources of the Little Cities of Black Diamonds, 1870-1950; Athens, Hocking & Perry Counties, Ohio

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Industry/Processing/Extraction/Company Town

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single/dwelling
Commercial/store/vacant

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Other/ bungalow, shotgun house types

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation	<u>brick, concrete block</u>
roof	<u>slate, corrugated metal</u>
walls	<u>wood frame/narrow horizontal siding</u>
other	

Narrative Description

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

See continuation sheets

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The Hocking Valley Coal Company Town Historic District is located approximately two miles north of Athens, off U.S. 33 and Johnson Road, near The Plains. The 3.4 acre site encompasses 14 primary buildings and one garage in an L-shaped pattern along two streets – Jackson Drive and Arbor Drive. The property is located adjacent to the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad (T&OC) and the former Baltimore & Ohio Railroad (B&O), which now serves as the Hockhocking-Adena Bikeway (connecting Athens and Nelsonville in Athens County). The Hocking Company Town (now known as Eclipse) was built above the Eclipse Mine #4 (closed in 1948) and was constructed by the Hocking Valley Coal Company between 1900 and 1902 to accommodate the workers at the mine. The buildings included in this nomination are the only remaining properties associated with the company town, which once extended up the hill toward The Plains and along Ohio Rt. 682 toward the entrance to the mine. The mine entrance and tipple were located across US Rt. 33 (which was constructed later) and several mine-related buildings are still standing, although significantly deteriorated, and are in separate ownership. The Hocking River is located east of Hocking.

The Hocking Company Town at one time encompassed a much larger area than the nominated district. It originally included “the camp” (the nominated district), “Five Spot,” which encompassed more housing, between the camp and the tipple, and nine additional homes on the hill behind the camp. Five Spot, located on the other side of US Rt. 33 was demolished many years ago and is now the site of a mobile home park; the hill area is owned separately and when it was developed for elderly housing in 1999, five of the nine homes were moved down the hill to infill the camp area, which is the only area of the company town to survive.

The Hocking Company Town Historic District includes 12 “bungalow” houses (including four that were moved), one shotgun building (moved), one garage, and the original company store. The houses are located along Jackson Drive (the main street), which runs east down a hill from Johnson Road with the company store located at the lower end of the street, next to the railroad tracks. A short cross street, Arbor Drive, forms a “T” intersection at the company store. All of the buildings are wood frame construction on brick piers, with narrow horizontal wood siding and slate-covered gable roofs. The building types are described below. All of the buildings, which date from the first decade of the 20th century, are considered contributing to the character of the historic district; there are no non-contributing buildings. (photo #1)

Bungalows (building #s 1-12)– These houses form the residential core of the company town. They are one-story in height, measure three by two bays, and have the gable ends facing the street. The central entrances are flanked by double-hung one-over-one windows, the same windows utilized throughout the house. Each house has a modest front porch with a shed roof and simple porch post structure. The porch roofs are covered with corrugated metal. The interior floor plan generally consisted of four rooms—living room, kitchen and two bedrooms with an outhouse in the back yard. The houses have been rehabilitated and all now have indoor plumbing; with several having small rear additions for the bathrooms. When the current owners purchased the Hocking Company Town in 1999, some of the houses still had functioning outhouses. All of the houses have been rehabilitated and retain original siding, slate roofs and original windows. Most of the front porches have been rebuilt, but they are simple in design, just as the originals had been. The houses are located in a row, close to the street with a common setback and have gravel driveways. There is one garage (building #15) in the district and it is located behind 11340 Jackson Drive. It is a one-story frame structure with gable roof. (photos #2-11, 18,19)

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Shotgun (building #14) -- The shotgun building is narrow and long, measuring two by three bays. It is constructed on concrete block piers (following its move) and retains its original narrow horizontal siding and slate-covered gable roof. The windows are one-over-one double hung with the exception of one two-over-two window located on the north elevation. The shotgun is one room wide and three rooms deep. The shotgun has been rehabilitated and is now a single-family residence. (photo #12)

Company Store (building #13) – This is the largest and most distinctive building in the district. It is a large frame structure, measuring four by five bays and is two stories in height with a slate-covered gable roof. The building is on a brick and concrete block foundation, which has just been rebuilt and stabilized. It has a full basement. The gable end, which faces the street, was designed with a storefront, consisting of a central entrance with double doors, flanked by large display windows. The entrance doors are not original and the storefront display windows have been infilled with vertical siding and small windows, however the storefront does retain its original transoms. The canopy over the storefront is supported with triangular braces, all of which is original historic fabric. Small square windows are located along the east and west elevations of the first floor (above the shelving that would have been in the store space). The windows on the façade are double-hung two-over-two windows. Other window openings have one-over-one sash and several windows have missing window sashes. At one time, there was a single store wing on the west side of the store, which served as an office for the paymaster for the mine, but it has been removed. The interior of the store has a tall ceiling, supported down the center with wood posts. A staircase is located along the rear of the space and separates the storeroom from the storage space across the rear. The second floor features one large open space and two smaller rooms across the front. The ceiling is beadboard siding, as are the sidewalls. The company store has not been rehabilitated. (photos #13-17)

The Hocking Company Town Historic District has a number of large street trees and other vegetation and creates a lush green atmosphere that it probably lacked originally, including a small park between the company store and railroad tracks and bikepath. (photos #20-21) However, the modest buildings of repetitive design; the houses with common setbacks, located in rows along the street; the company store as the largest building and focal point of the district; the small landscaped yards and open spaces between the buildings; and its location which is isolated from any other nearby development create a cohesive streetscape that clearly conveys a unified whole of a company town. The historic district retains a high degree of integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. Although five buildings were moved into the district, they were part of the original company town and are identical in design to those that survived in their original locations. Moreover, the moved buildings replaced buildings that were lost and repopulated the streetscape in a manner that is consistent with the original design.

The Hocking Company Town Historic District is part of the Little Cities of Black Diamonds coal mining region that was documented in *Historic Resources of the Little Cities of Black Diamonds MPD*, approved by the National Park Service in 2000. The Hocking Company Town Historic District is the first nomination to be prepared within the context of the approved MPD.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

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

- X 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 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 prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

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

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or a 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)

Industry

Period of Significance

1900-1948

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

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)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record

Primary location of additional data

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

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The Hocking Valley Coal Company Town Historic District is eligible for the National Register under Criterion A well-preserved and rare surviving example of a company town in the Little Cities of Black Diamonds coal region, which encompasses portions of Athens, Hocking and Perry counties in southeastern Ohio. There are only three surviving company towns in the Little Cities of Black Diamonds region – Haydenville (which was built by Peter Hayden for his Hocking Valley Clay Manufacturing Company), Congo and Hocking. Haydenville was listed in the National Register in 1973. Congo has a number of surviving buildings, however, many have been significantly altered and it lacks the architectural integrity and cohesiveness of a historic district. Hocking Company Town Historic District is a compact historic district with all of the fifteen buildings within its boundaries contributing to the character of the district. The combination of modest houses and the company store, which also served as the railroad depot for the community, is the only “public” building – typical of company towns where commercial activity was controlled by the company that built the town and operated the mine. Although there have been several owners over the past 100 years, the Hocking Company Town Historic District has always had single ownership – the properties were never sold off individually, even after the mine closed permanently in 1948. The history of all of the buildings under single ownership is unique in the region, as the other company towns have been subdivided and sold as individual parcels to multiple property owners.

The history and development of this area of Ohio as a significant coal mining region is thoroughly documented in the *Historic Resources of the Little Cities of Black Diamonds, 1870-1950*, a Multiple Property Documentation (MPD) form, which was approved by the National Park Service in 2000. The MPD also included a discussion of property types that are found within the region and registration requirements for future nominations. The Hocking Company Town Historic District meets the registration requirements for a company town outlined in the MPD.

Background Information

Coal was discovered in the Little Cities of Black Diamonds region in the early 19th century, but transportation was difficult. The construction of the Hocking Canal, which extended as far as Athens in mid-1836 increased coal production considerably, but it was the development of the railroads in the region that was responsible for the rapid increase in development of coal mines and the increase in population and development of communities in the region.

The *Little Cities of Black Diamonds* MPD describes the period between 1870 and 1920 as the “Boom Period.” During this time a railroad network was constructed to connect the Little Cities of Black Diamonds to Ohio’s expanding rail network.

“The Hocking Valley Coalfield would eventually be served by a network of rail lines that were part of three of the great eastern rail systems of the first half of the 20th century – the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad (B&O), the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway (C&O), and the New York Central System (NYC). . . Interest in a rail line paralleling the canal through the Hocking River valley dated to the early 1850s but political maneuvering by

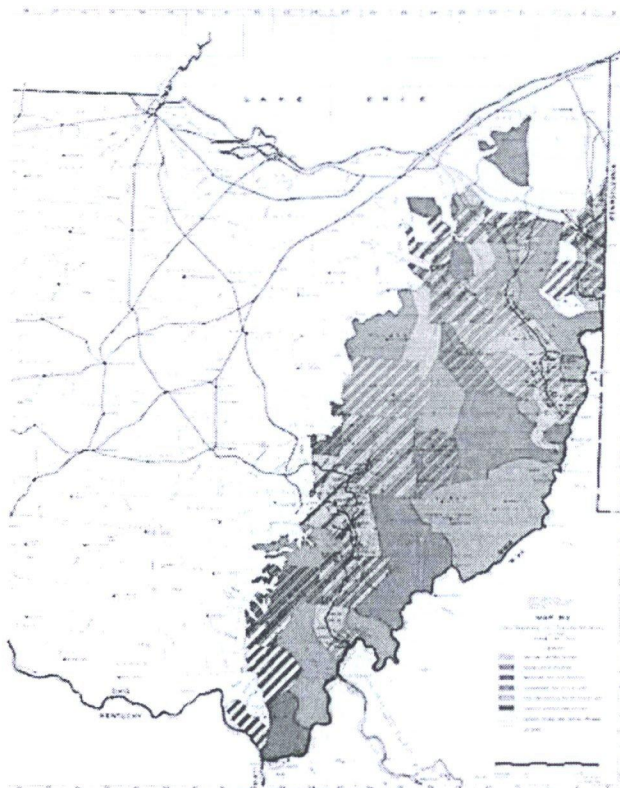
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rival roads, together with the interruption of the Civil War, pushed any real action on the line into the second half of the 1860s. . . The railroad was planned to run between Columbus and Athens, its purpose being to open the valley's mineral wealth to development by rail connection to Columbus and market beyond. By this period, Ohio's capital city had been securely tied into the nations trunk-railroad system, with lines in operation to Cincinnati/St. Louis, Indianapolis/St. Louis/Chicago, Cleveland/Buffalo/New York, and Wheeling/Pittsburgh/Washington. Thus the promoters of the Mineral Railroad knew they could serve unlimited markets for the products of the Hocking Valley if they could only link it with Columbus. . . Columbus investors provided the bulk of the line's capital, with Lancaster, Logan and Athens providing the rest, and construction began on the Columbus & Hocking Valley Railroad (C&HV), regionally known as the Hocking Valley, in mid-1867. . . The C&HV's arrival in Athens in July of 1870 completed the long sought-transportation route, providing connections not only to Columbus and beyond but also to Cincinnati and to the east via the Marietta & Cincinnati (M&C and later part of the B&O) line through Athens." (Darbee and Recchie, Little Cities of Black Diamonds MPD, p.11-12).



Map of the Ohio Coalfields illustrates the concentration in the Appalachian region of eastern and southeastern Ohio.

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The Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad (T&OC), which connected Charleston, West Virginia with Toledo, through Columbus was completed in 1885. Both the Hocking Valley and T&OC lines passed immediately adjacent to the east of the Eclipse Company Town. The T&OC is still in use and the Hocking Valley Railroad has been converted to the Hocking-Adena Bikeway.

The Hocking Valley Coal Company built a company town between 1900 and 1902 to serve the Eclipse Mine #4 and named the town Hocking. Thomas and Edward Johnson, brothers for whom Johnson Road was named, operated the mine. The town sits above the abandoned mine. Both the town and the mine stretched across the landscape in an area two miles north of Athens (the county seat). At its peak the mine employed approximately 400 workers, which was considered a fairly small operation in the area. By contrast, the nearby Pittsburgh #10 and #10A mines each employed over 1,000 men. The Eclipse Mine was a deep shaft mine with a shaft depth of 171 feet. It tapped into the rich #6 Hocking Valley Coal seam, which was about six feet high.

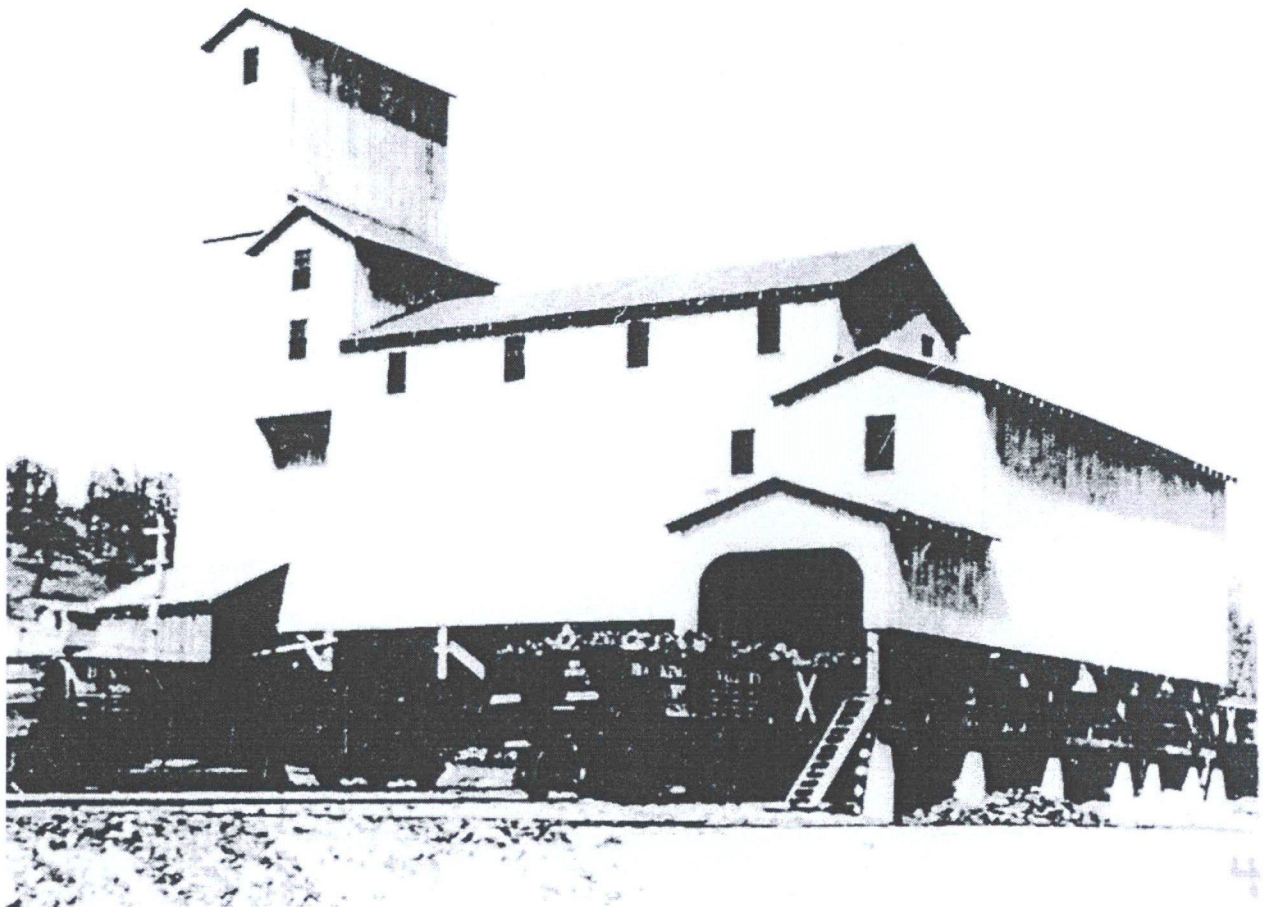
The mine operated until the early 1930s, an extremely difficult period in the southeastern Ohio coalfields. The first two decades of the 20th century were a boom period, with a generally prosperous period and World War I, which increased demand for coal. However, the *“Post-World War I recession hit the Hocking Valley Coalfield harder than any previous panics or depressions. From 6.7 million tons in 1918, Athens County’s production dropped to 3.3 million tons in 1922, rose to 4.4 million tons in 1923, dropped to 2.9 million tons in 1924, and, with one year’s exception, never rose to as high as 3 million tons a year. . . For all three counties, the reduced production was a result not only of reduced demand due to the depression, but also exhaustion of coal seams and competition from other coalfields. . .”* (Darbee & Recchie, *Historic Resources of Little Cities of Black Diamonds*MPD, p. 37) The Eclipse Mine re-opened in 1940 as part of the war effort, but closed again, this time permanently, in 1948. After that time, the ownership of the surface land and buildings was transferred to E. A. Cottingham, the former mine’s superintendent. (*The History of Eclipse, Athens, Ohio*) The current owners purchased the entire company town from Cottingham’s daughter in 1997.

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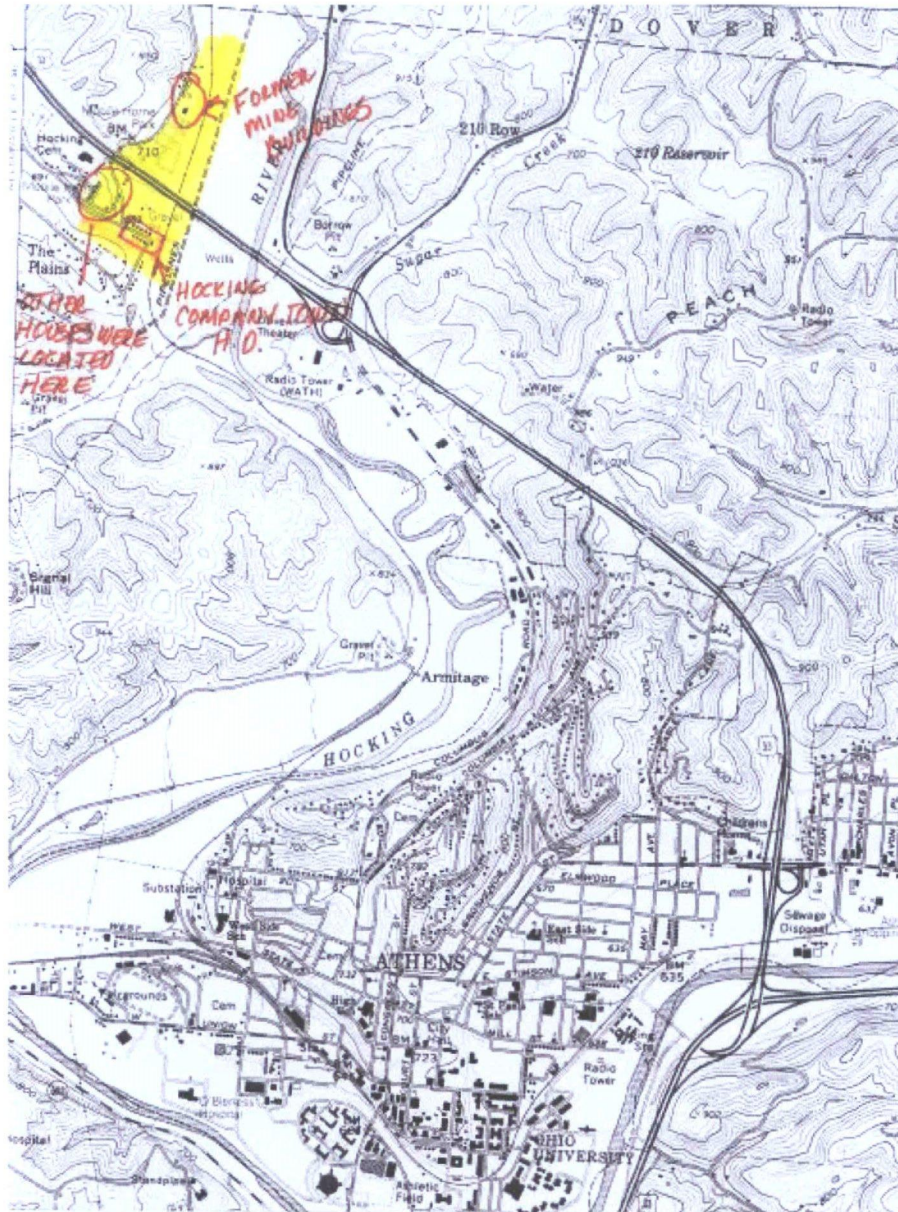
Historic photos of Eclipse Mine Tipple (demolished).

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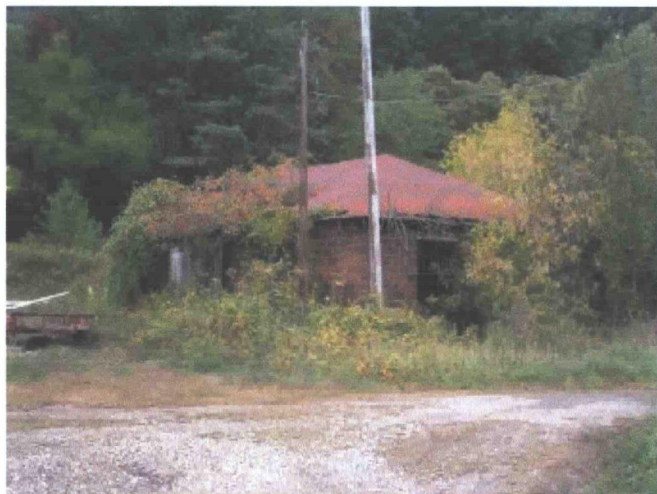
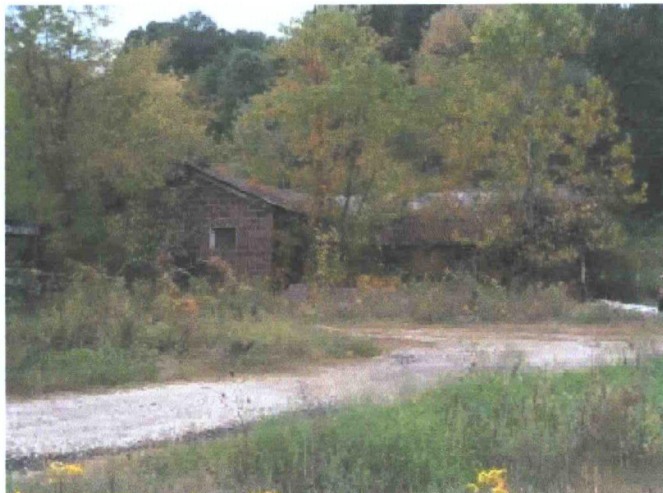
USGS map of area with the city of Athens at the bottom of the map and the yellow highlighted area showing the approximate area of the Eclipse Mine. Several surviving mining buildings are located across Rt.33 from the historic district. The area on the hill above the town had 14 houses in the late 1990s. Five of these buildings were moved into the historic district and the others demolished. The rectangular area identifies the nominated Hocking Company Town Historic District.

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Surviving Eclipse Mine buildings located on the north side of Rt. 33, approximately one quarter mile from the Hocking Company Town Historic District.

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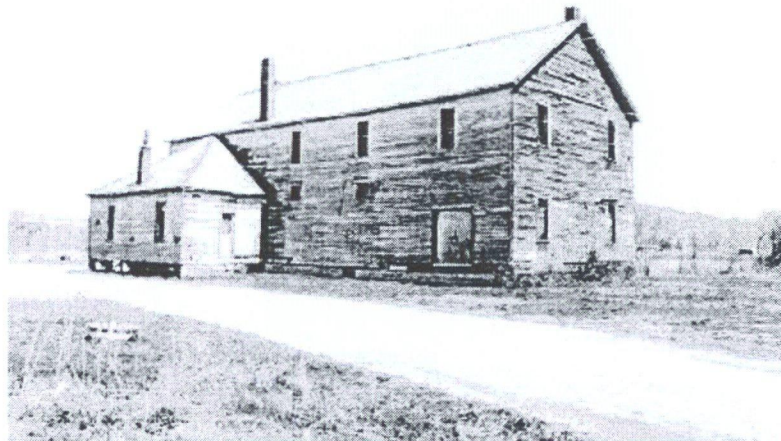
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Hocking Company Town

Hocking has been referred to by various names over the years, including Hocking, Old Hocking, Old Cottingham's Place (E.A. Cottingham managed the mine and later owned the entire town), and Dog Town (because of one of the residents raised dogs). The town's original name was changed to Eclipse approximately five years ago when purchased by the current owners. It was done to avoid confusion with other nearby towns with Hocking in the name; to give it a name that would be used consistently; and to relate it to its history as the company town for the Eclipse Mine. The company town and mine facilities were located in an area that extended from The Plains, north of what is now U.S. Rt. 33. Both the mine portal and the tipple were located across the current highway, and although the tipple is gone, there are a few mine buildings still standing in the area, which are under separate ownership from the company town.



Historic view of the company store with the paymaster's office wing on the west side of the building.



Historic photos for company stores in Medoc (left) and Cannanville (right).

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The Hocking Company Town consisted of rental houses for families, the company store where all of the miners and their families shopped, and rooms for unmarried miners above the store. In *Artifacts of the Coal Age, Athens County Region*, the function and form of company towns are documented. *"Company housing was an essential element on the process of establishing a coal mine operation within the study area. Houses built by the coal companies and rented to their employees served two purposes. First, they provided homes in those situations where mines were established in rural areas and remote from any existing settlements. Secondly, the houses placed the miners in close proximity to their work. . . An additional factor which dictated the need for company houses was based upon the land ownership patterns throughout the study area. Only a small portion of the land was held in fee simple by the mining companies. In most cases the property comprising the coal land was leased for the purpose of extracting the coal. Since companies only held the mineral rights and did not own the land, they could not legally sell plots to their employees for the purpose of allowing them to build their own homes. . . ."* The company store served an important purpose as well. *"The stores were usually large, general merchandise types that included everything from grocery products to clothing, mining tools, and, occasionally liquor. Their inventories were designed to sustain all of the miners and their families within the mining camp. In almost all of the area's former stores, credit was extended to all employees and company script was mostly used instead of cash. . . ."* (Palka, pp. 49, 58)

Palka's study included an analysis of the types of buildings found in company towns and the most common forms of housing. All three building types – bungalow, shotgun and company store – found in the Hocking Company Town Historic District are described in Palka's book. *"The bungalow type house consists of three or four rooms, has a single story and a square or slightly elongated shape. A small front porch was often included. The shotgun house is a single story structure (and on fewer occasions, two stories) that is only one room wide and two or three rooms deep, and has a rectangular shaped appearance. . . company store buildings were usually of wood construction, of basic design, and blended well with the other structures in the mining camp."* (Palka, pp. 52,60)



The bungalow (left) and shotgun (right) are two of the property types identified in Palka's study that are found in Hocking Company Town Historic District.

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Detail view of company store in Hocking Company Town Historic District.

The *Little Cities of Black Diamonds MPD* states “These towns, which include Haydenville, Congo and Hocking (now known as Eclipse), typically consisted of housing and a company store. Depending on a particular community, the company might also have built a school, church, amusement hall and railroad depot. The one type of building that company towns lacked that nearly every other town in the region had was a town hall. With the exception of Haydenville where the company’s clay products were used in the construction of architecturally distinctive buildings, other company towns generally contained mainly frame structures and the homes were small, and repetitious in design. The company store was the focus for commercial activity in the company town and it was usually free-standing, since there was little or no private commercial activity allowed.” (Darbee & Recchie, p. 53)

The MPD established registration requirements for company towns that include: “The company town should retain its town plan and enough housing in original form, without large additions or other extensive alterations, on its original site, so it conveys the sense of the town’s original form, design and building relationships.” The Hocking Company Town Historic District, meets these requirements. The linear form of the original town is still clearly apparent with the company store as the most important building in town. The company store served as the community center – with commercial space, the railroad depot and paymaster’s office incorporated into the building. All of the buildings have survived without significant alterations; they retain a high degree of integrity of form, design, materials and building relationships. Although five of the buildings were moved from the hillside above the nominated district, the houses are of the same design and period and were constructed by the same mine for its employees. They retain the same relationship to the street and to the other buildings in the district so that the district retains its original form and design.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated historic district encompasses approximately 3.4 acres and is described as Parcel A040020039702 as recorded by the Athens County Auditor, Athens, Ohio.

Boundary Justification

The nominated historic district includes a single parcel that contains all fifteen of the nominated properties – the only surviving properties associated with the Hocking Company Town.

10. Geographical DataAcreage of Property 3.42**UTM References**(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet) **Athens Quadrangle**Zone Easting Northing
1 17 403664 4357591
2 Zone Easting Northing
3
4 See continuation sheet.**Verbal Boundary Description**

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

Boundary Justification

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

11. Form Prepared Byname/title organization Nancy Recchie/Benjamin D. Rickey & Co./consultant date 9/06street & number 593 South Fifth Street telephone 614-221-0358city or town Columbus state OH zip code 43206**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 the SHPO or FPO.)

name Eclipse Ltd. c/o Sowash, Carson & Ferrierstreet & number 39 North College Street telephone 740-591-2248city or town Athens state OH zip code 45701

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Photos

Photographer :Nancy Recchie
Benjamin D. Rickey & Co.
593 South Fifth Street
Columbus, Ohio 43206

Date of Photographs : July and September, 2006

1. View of Eclipse from Johnson Road, looking east.
2. View of bungalow houses on north side of street – 11360, 11350, 11340 Jackson Drive – looking east.
3. View of bungalow houses on north side of street – 11360, 11350 Jackson Drive – looking west.
4. View of bungalow houses on north side of street – 11340, 11330, 11320 Jackson Drive – looking east.
5. View of bungalow houses on north side of street – 11320-11310 Jackson Drive – looking east.
6. View of bungalow houses on south side of street – 11355, 11345, 11335, 11325 Jackson Drive – looking east.
7. View of bungalow houses on south side of street – 11355, 11345 Jackson Drive – looking west.
8. View of bungalow houses on south side of street – 11335, 11325, 11315 Jackson Drive – looking east.
9. Streetscape view of bungalow houses on south side of street with company store in distance.
10. Main elevation of company store, looking east toward railroad tracks.
11. Detail of company store storefront.
12. East elevation of company store, viewed looking west from railroad tracks.
13. Interior of first floor of company store, looking from rear toward the front entrance.
14. Interior of second floor of company store, looking from rear toward the front.
15. View of north and east elevations of shotgun located directly behind the company store.
16. View of 11235 Arbor Drive, looking west from the second floor of the company store.
17. View of small addition at rear of 11235 Arbor Drive.
18. View of 11340 Jackson Drive, with garage at rear.
19. View of back yards behind 11340-11320 Jackson Drive, looking west.
20. View of small park located between company store and bikpath and railroad track.
21. View of east end of district from railroad tracks ; the bikepath is located between the tracks and the park/parking area next to the company store.

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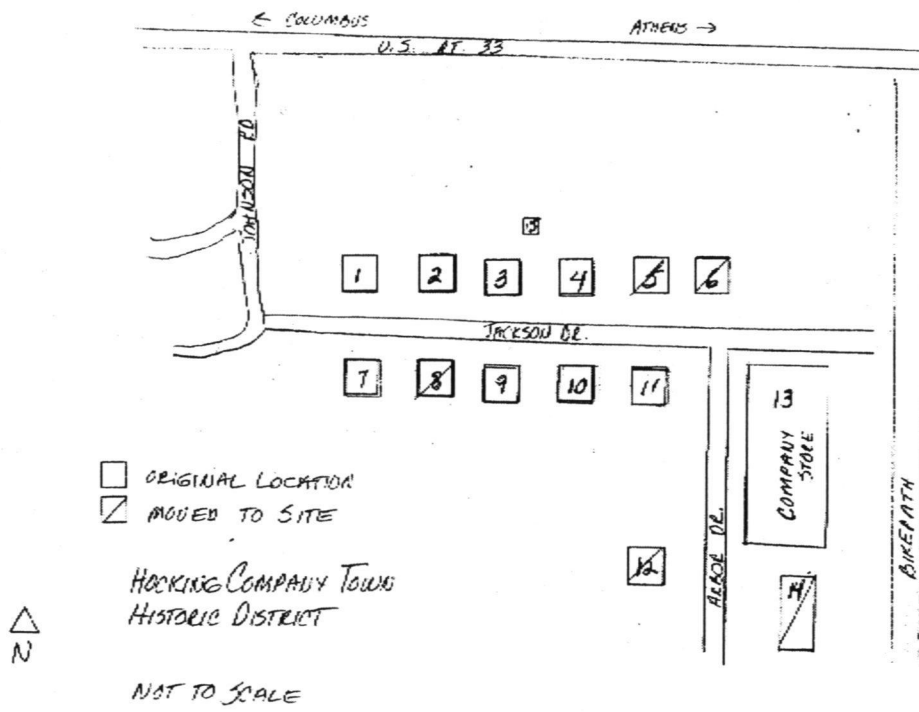
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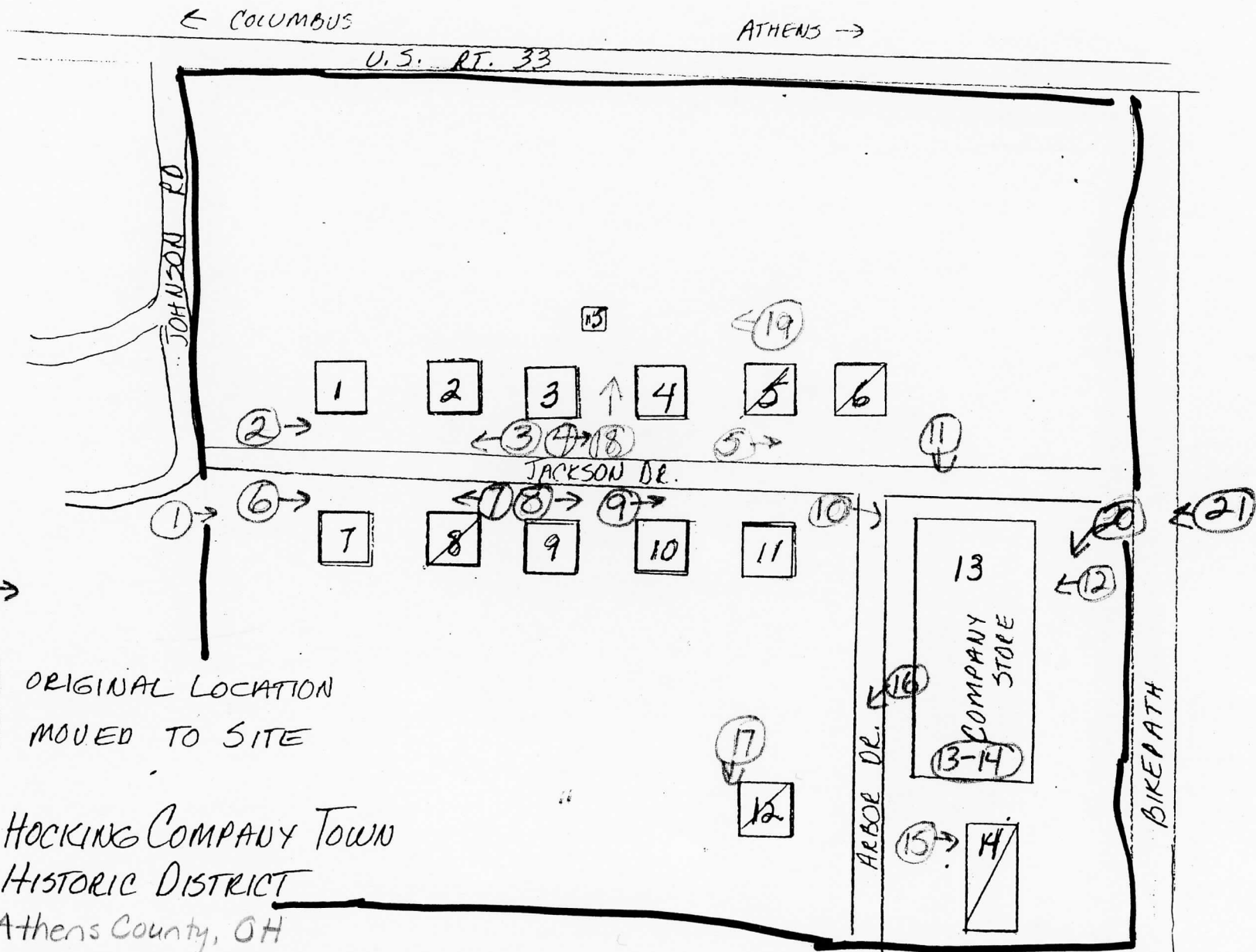
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Contributing Buildings/Map Key

Building Number	Address	Building Type	Original Location	Contributing
1	11360 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
2	11350 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
3	11340 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
4	11330 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
5	11320 Jackson Dr.	bungalow		X
6	11310 Jackson Dr.	bungalow		X
7	11355 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
8	11345 Jackson Dr.	bungalow		X
9	11335 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
10	11325 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
11	11315 Jackson Dr.	bungalow	X	X
12	11235 Arbor Dr.	bungalow		X
13	11309 Jackson Dr.	company store	X	X
14	29 Arbor Dr.	shotgun		X
15	11340 Jackson Dr. (rear)	garage	X	X



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: ~~Stevenson, Joshua, House~~

Hocking Valley Coal Co.
Town

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: OHIO, ~~Franklin~~ Athens 009

DATE RECEIVED: 5/11/07 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/29/07
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/13/07 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/24/07
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

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REASONS FOR REVIEW:

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OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Historically significant early 20th century company town associated with Ohio's coal mining industry.

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REVIEWER Patrick Andrews

DISCIPLINE Historian

TELEPHONE _____

DATE 6/22/2007

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REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Hocking Valley Coal Company Town Historic District
NAME:

MULTIPLE Little Cities of Black Diamonds--Athens, Hocking, Perry
NAME: Counties MPS

STATE & COUNTY: OHIO, Athens

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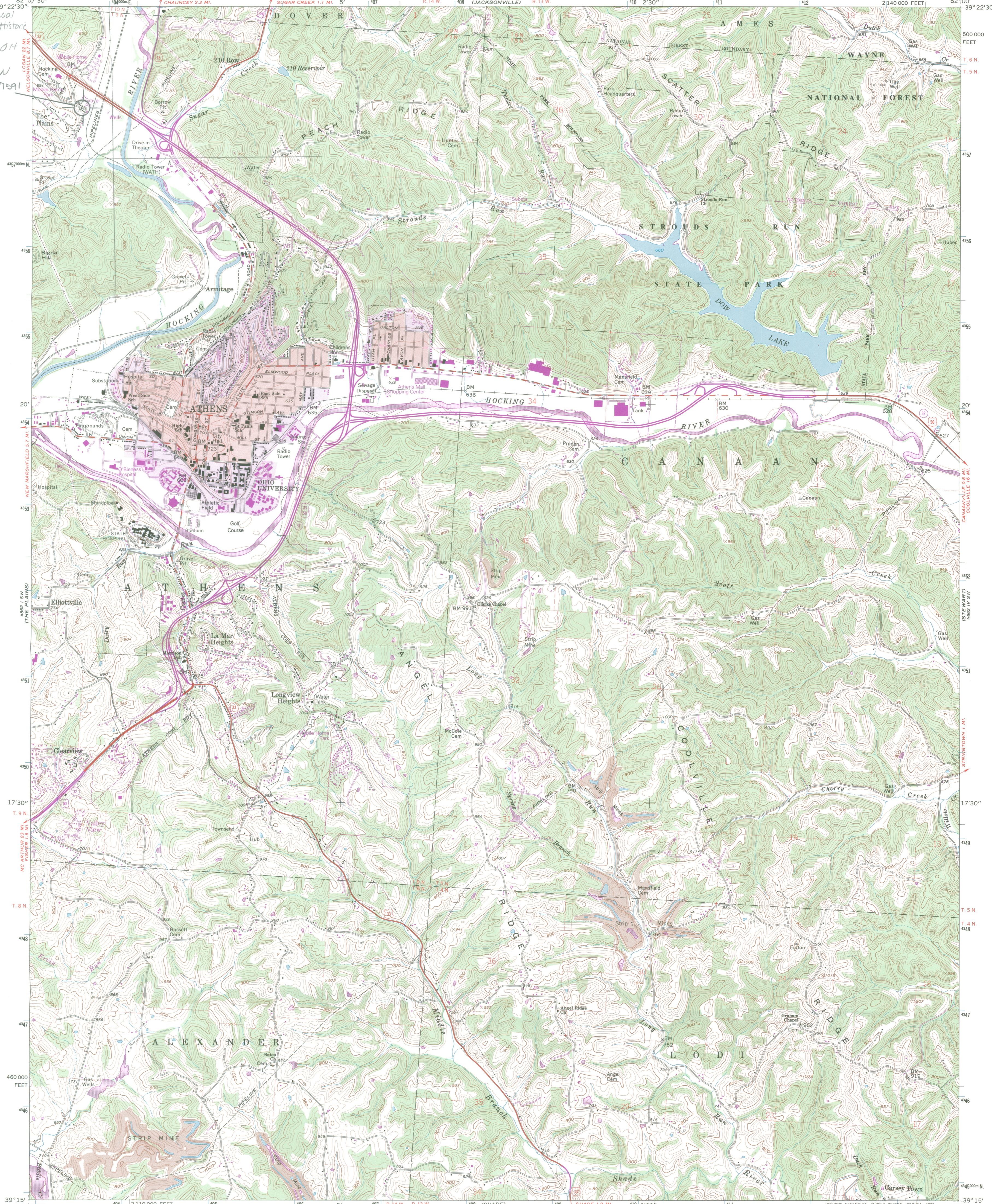


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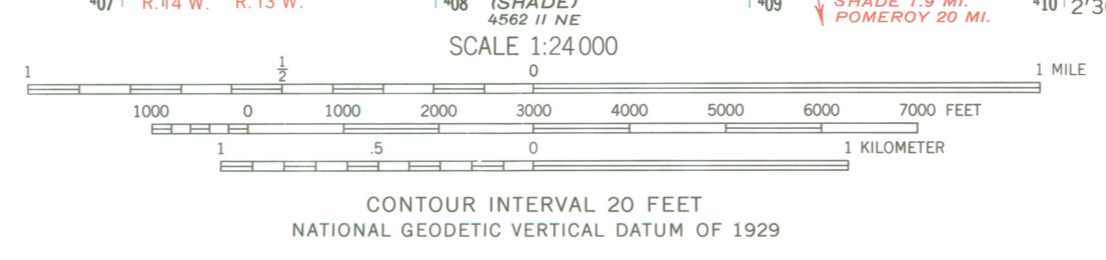
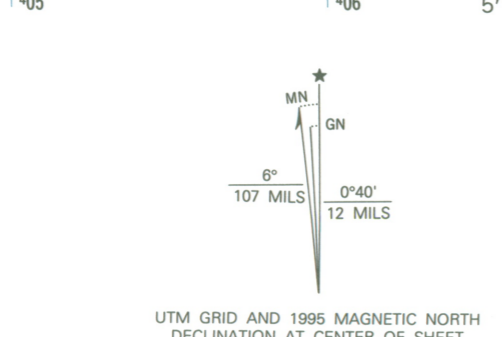
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Secondary highway, hard surface	Unimproved road
Interstate Route	U. S. Route
	State Route

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May 8, 2007

Ms. Jan Matthews, Associate Director and Keeper of the
National Register
National Park Service 2280
National Register of Historic Places
1201 "I" (Eye) Street, NW
Washington DC 20005

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Enclosed please find four (4) new National Register nominations. All appropriate notification procedures have been followed for these new submissions.

NEW SUBMISSION

Hocking Valley Coal Company Town Historic District
Forest Hill Realty Sales Office
Stevenson, Joshua, House
Norwalk Memorial Hospital

COUNTY

Athens
Cuyahoga
Franklin
Huron

If you have questions or comments about these documents, please contact the National Register staff in the Ohio Historic Preservation Office at (614) 298-2000.

Sincerely,

for Rachel Tooker
State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures

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