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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

FENNER-SNYDER MILL

AND/OR COMMON

Brinker's Mill; Snyder's Mill; the Old Mill

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 29 and Neola Road

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Sciota

VICINITY OF

10th

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Monroe

CODE

089 089

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC

PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

☒ OTHER: vacant**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Board of Supervisors, Hamilton Township

STREET & NUMBER

Municipal Building

CITY, TOWN

Sciota

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the Register & Recorder, Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Stroudsburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

1975

FEDERAL ☒ STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDSPennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
William Penn Memorial Museum

CITY, TOWN

Box 1026

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

Brinker's Mill is a large two and one-half story uncoursed fieldstone structure built in 1800. The Mill, situated on McMichaels Creek is a full two and one-half stories on the creek end but being built into a bank, the land end appears to be one and one-half stories. Horizontal board siding overs the creek end (rear) and the windward side of the mill, this being done in the 19th century to remedy exterior pointing problems.

The front (land end) of the mill is three bays across with the upper and lower middle bays being a six panel door. The lower windows are mortise and tenon six over six double hung sash with wooden sills, the upper have been boarded up. A wooden pent overhanging the middle bay appears at the apex of the front gable end directly underneath is a datestone. Fenestration on the sides is irregular with double hung sash windows appearing on the second level. The creek end is two bays across with windows on both floors and also in the half-floor gable section.

The mill's roof is tin (c. 1860) and boxed wooden cornice is on both sides of the mill. The interior of the mill does not have its original milling equipment but period equipment has been acquired and is on hand for restoration. A 10' by 10' office is to the right of the entrance on the land side. The office has a fireplace but its chimney was torn down but will be replaced. The interior has no other distinguishing features. An undershot mill wheel once graced the exterior but was replaced by a turbine, sometime in the late nineteenth century.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☒ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☐ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☒ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☒ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1800

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Bernhard Fenner

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A mill and milling operation is believed to have been associated with the site of this nomination as early as 1729. Tax records indicate that a log mill was in production in 1772. It was probably this mill that was used as a storage place for Sullivan's campaign against the Iroquois in 1779.

The present mill is believed to have been built in 1800 by Bernhard Fenner. It had a continuous milling operation from its inception up to mid-April of 1954. The mill produced both flour and feed.

Although some of the original milling equipment was removed, a supply of milling equipment from other mills is available for restoration purposes. The restoration of the mill will include the replacement of rotten siding boards, the replacement of a chimney in the mill's office and the rehabilitation and assembly of mill machinery.

This mill had been in production for over a century and one-half until it became a victim to more efficient methods of milling. The restoration of this mill will be done by the Township of Hamilton and after its restoration it will be used as a museum. This mill represents one of the largest mills of the area. It was large in both size and the amount of material processed. For its age, it is in respectable condition of repair. With regard to preservation, it will be one of the few efforts made on the restoration of a large scale industrial structure in Pennsylvania. In Monroe County it takes on a larger significance, with regard to preservation awareness and adaptive re-use consciousness.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 47.3 57.0 45 3.1 45.0
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C

D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Charles Dunlevey, Office of Historic Preservation

ORGANIZATION

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

DATE

March 31, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

William Penn Memorial Museum, 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 X

LOCAL X

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

Executive Director

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

DATE

4/9/76

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

DATE

5/13/76

ACTING DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

5.12.76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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FENNER-SNYDER MILL - Monroe County

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Property

FENNER-Snyder Mill

76001650

Monroe

State Pennsylvania

Working Number 4.12.76.3051

TECHNICAL

Photos 2Maps 1 1 cont. sheet

CONTROL

OK ^{cm} 4.13.76

HISTORIAN

accept
Ruttenbaum
4/19/76

OK but statement of significance is weak.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Nomination places emphasis on ^{planned} restoration of mill (new chimney, replacement of rotten boards, new machinery), therefore I rather wait until restoration done. But they want NPS money.

Base minimal statement of significance

Accept
Lebovich
4.14.76

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

To HAER

Inventory BAH 5/4Review Accept Rudy 5/4

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Colz
5-11-76

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Thurpe
5.12.76

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

Entered MAY 13 1976Federal Register Entry 6-1-76

Re-submit _____

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old mill
Sciota, Pa. 18354

FENNER-SNYDER MILL
Monroe County
Sciota, Pennsylvania

Photo: Old Mill Restoration
Council

1975, 15, APR 12 1976
Box 1776
Sciota, Pennsylvania

View of front of building.

Date Entered May 13, 1976

PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



Old Mill
Sciota, Pa.

Rear of mill building, showing
siding over stone; mill dam

November 15, 1975

FENNER-SNYDER MILL
Monroe County
Sciota, Pennsylvania

Photo: Old Mill Restoration
Council

APR 12 1976 1975
Box 1776
Sciota, Pennsylvania

View of rear of mill building,
showing siding over stone, Mill

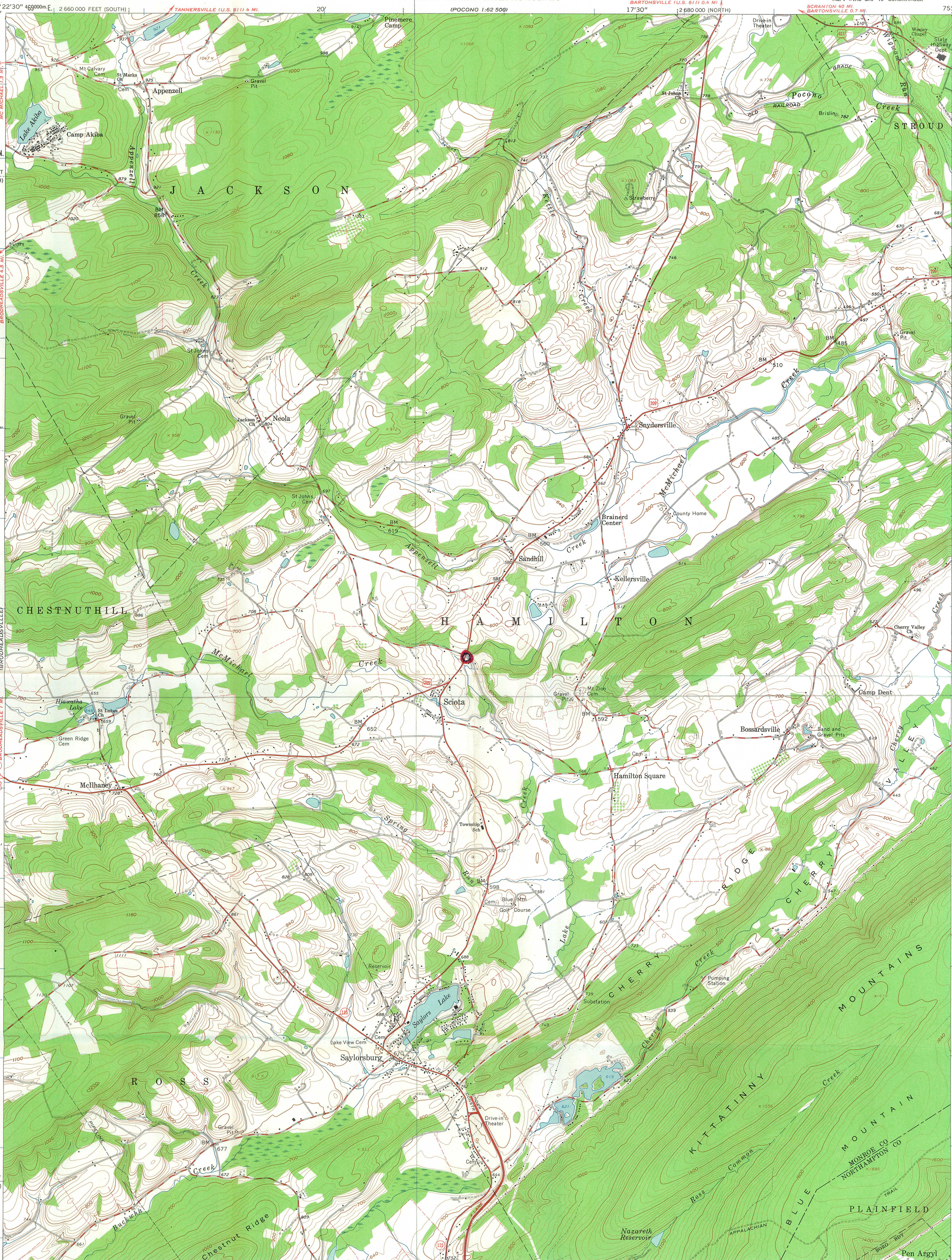
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PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

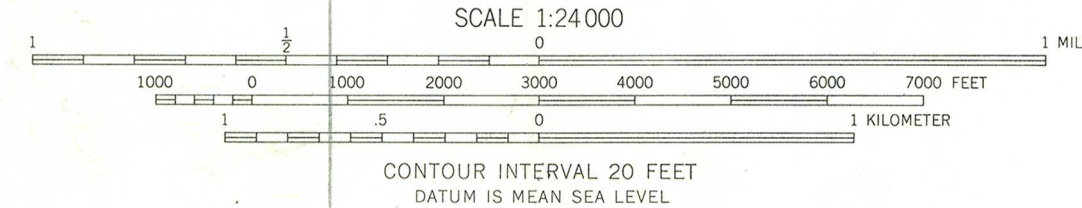
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS
TOPOGRAPHIC AND GEOLOGIC SURVEY

SAYLORSBURG QUADRANGLE
PENNSYLVANIA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NE 1/4 WIND GAP 15' QUADRANGLE



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1951. Field checked 1960
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Pennsylvania coordinate system,
north and south zones
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

TRUE NORTH
MAGNETIC NORTH
APPROXIMATE MEAN
DECLINATION, 1960



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
U.S. Route ——— State Route ———

SAYLORSBURG, PA.
NE 1/4 WIND GAP 15' QUADRANGLE
N4052.5-W7515.7.5

1960



ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE PENNSYLVANIA

Date Entered MAY 13 1976

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mosier's, Dr. J. R., Office	Hayfield Township (Little's Corners) Crawford County
Springfield Mill	Erdenheim Montgomery County
Fenner-Snyder Mill	Sciota vicinity Monroe County

Also Notified

Hon. Hugh Scott
Hon. Richard S. Schweiker
Hon. Joseph P. Vigorito
Hon. Lawrence Coughlin
Hon. Joseph M. McDade
Regional Director, Mid Atlantic
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. William J. Wewer
Executive Director, Pennsylvania
Historical and Museum Commission
Box 1026
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

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Murtagh fof
PH

To Wood 6/9
Gubert 6/10

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JUN 11 1976

Honorable Hugh Scott
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Scott:

Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of Mr. Russell Woodling concerning the nomination of Brinker's Mill in Monroe County, Pennsylvania, to the National Register of Historic Places.

We are pleased to advise you that Brinker's Mill, under its historic name, Fenner-Snyder Mill, was entered in the National Register May 13, 1976. The enclosed leaflet describes the National Register program.

We appreciate your interest in the historic preservation programs of the National Park Service.

Sincerely yours,

/S/ ROBERT M. UTLEY

Acting Associate Director

Enclosure (const. ltr. ret.)

bcc:

Mr. William J. Wewer
Executive Director, Pennsylvania
Historical and Museum Commission
P.O. Box 1026
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120) w/c of inc.

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Regional Director, Mid-Atlantic)

Director's Reading File P PH L-Curry) LS) LS-D's Chron.

FNP:JKulczycki:clb:6-8-76

(BASIC FILE RETAINED IN PR)

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6/9

June 1, 1976

Honorable Hugh Scott
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Scott:

I am pleased to acknowledge your inquiry on behalf of Russell Woodling, Coordinator, Monroe County Bicentennial Committee, concerning the application of the Brinker's Mill for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

We appreciate your interest and will provide you a reply at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Everhardt
Director

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FNP:CRBraxton:crb:5- 6-1-76

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HUGH SCOTT
PENNSYLVANIA

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Interior
1 Committee

PLK

Phone (717) 424-1776

Robert Uguccioni, vice chairman

Dr. John C. Appel

Bobby Westbrook

Respectfully referred for such
consideration as the attached
communication may warrant, and
for a report in duplicate to
accompany return of enclosure.

By direction of



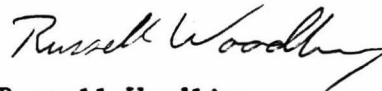
United States Senator

h of May, 1976

Monroe County we
located to both
One of the sites
awaiting placement
It was built in
near Brinker's Mill
in 1779.

will be opened
prior to the 197th
Monroe County.
I would like to announce
in the National Register.
I am able to give them
the date that it

help you may be



Russell Woodling
Coordinator

Monroe County Bicentennial Committee



So your children can tell
their children.

612 Monroe Street, Stroudsburg, Pa 18360 Phone (717) 424-1776

Jesse Flory, chairman;
Patricia M. Valence, coordinator
Russell Woodling, coordinator

Mrs. Edgar Sittig;

Robert Uguccione, vice chairman
Dr. John C. Appel
Bobby Westbrook

Seventeenth of May, 1976

Senator Hugh Scott
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Scott,

As part of the Bicentennial Celebration in Monroe County we are attempting to have as many sites as possible nominated to both the State and Federal Registers of Historic Sites. One of the sites which has been accepted on the State Register and is awaiting placement on the Federal is Brinker's Mill in Sciota. This mill was built in approximately the year 1800 on the site of the original Brinker's Mill which provided food and grain to the Sullivan Expedition of 1779.

On June 19, 1976, the partially restored mill will be opened to the general public with a ceremony that will commemorate the 197th Anniversary of Sullivan's March entering what is now Monroe County. The members of the Old Mill Restoration Committee would like to announce by that time that the mill has been placed on the National Register. They would therefore appreciate any help you may be able to give them regarding the present status of their application and the date that it may be placed on the register.

We would like to thank you in advance for any help you may be able to give in this matter.

Sincerely,

Russell Woodling
Coordinator

NR Data Sheet

DATE: 4/19/76
 Reviewer: SRR out
 INITIALS: SRR out
 NR: (5-13-76)
 DOE: KP

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Fenner - Snyder Mill

OTHER NAMES: Brinkers Mill; Snyder's Mill; the Old mill list separately

LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER

N of Sciota on U.S. 29

CITY, TOWN

STATE Pa.

VICINITY OF Sciota

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 10

COUNTY Monroe code 089

OWNER OF PROPERTY:

(Circle)

PRIVATE STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)

FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):

NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST

SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEATURES:

INTERIOR

- ☐ Substantially intact-1
- ☐ unknown - 4
- ☐ not applicable - 7

Not intact

EXTERIOR

- ☒ Substantially intact-2
- ☐ unknown - 5
- ☐ not applicable - 8

ENVIRONS

- ☒ Substantially intact-3
- ☐ unknown - 6
- ☐ Not applicable-9

☐ Interior, exterior, environs not intact-0

CONDITION -

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☒ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

☐ Unexcavated

☒ UNALTERED

☒ ALTERED

☐ Reconstructed

☐ Excavated

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED

☐ Unknown

ACCESS -

Yes-restricted

Yes-unrestricted

No access

Unknown

historic district?

YES

NO

WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT?

YES

NO

IF YES, NAME:

WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK?

YES

NO

IF YES, NAME:

ADAPTIVE USE:

YES

NO

Saved?

YES

NO

But will be

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- Mill

now- None (vacant)

SIGNIFICANCE:

☒ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC

☒ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC

☒ AGRICULTURE

☐ ARCHITECTURE

☐ ART

☐ COMMERCE

☐ COMMUNICATIONS

☐ CONSERVATION

☐ ECONOMICS

☐ EDUCATION

☐ ENGINEERING

☒ EXPLORATION

☒ INDUSTRY

☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

☐ LAW/Gov't/politics

☐ LITERATURE

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSIC

☐ PHILOSOPHY

☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION

☐ SCIENCE

☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

☐ entertainment

☐ health

☐ recreation

☐ settlement

☐ socio/cultural

☐ urban & commun

☐ planning

Claims

"first"

YES

NO

"oldest"

YES

NO

"only"

YES

NO

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: N.A.

architect/m.builder: Bernhard Fenner

engineer:

landscape/garden designer:

artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP: N.A.

NAMES:

(label role
&
appropriate date)

personal

✓(2) Bernhard Fenner, (ca. 1800) - builder

events

institutional

DATES:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century):

✓ 1800

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S): 1800 - 1954

SOURCE:

(OF NOMINATION)

PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre) /

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here)

uncoursed fieldstone, 2 1/2 stories, gable, square shape,
'horizontal boarding on creek end (rear) + windward side,
land end is 1 1/2 stories, 3 bays wide, panelled door, loft
door, gable projects

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)

mill in production for 1 1/2 centuries;
one of largest mills in the area in size + material
produced.

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: N.A.

architect/m.builder: Bernhard Fenner

engineer:

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artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

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PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre) /

COMMENT:

Random ashlar fieldstone, wood siding; 2 1/2 stories, rectangular, gabled roof with box cornice and projecting gable ends ~~apex~~; interior chimney, (center band) paneled entrance; ~~not~~ ^{covered with tin} ~~timber~~ 1860; undershot wheel replaced with turbine, 1890. Vernacular. One of the ^{area's} largest mills, ~~in the area~~, in production for ^{over} 150 years.

SIGNIFICANCE:

one of largest ~~produced.~~

KB 1-19-78