

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM  
FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES**

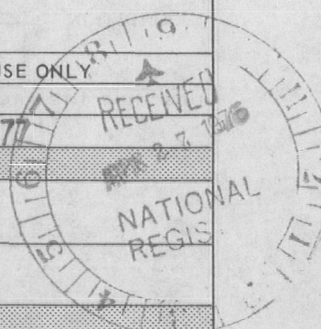
(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:  
Washington

COUNTY:  
Clallam

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ENTRY DATE  
SEP 14 1977



**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Humes Ranch Cabin #699 *h*

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Humes Ranch

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: *S of Port Angeles*

About 7 miles south of Lake Mills dam on east side of Elwha River

CITY OR TOWN: *Port Angeles wa* CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

STATE: Washington CODE: 53 COUNTY: Clallam CODE: 009

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No			

**4. AGENCY**

National Park Service, Pacific Northwest Region

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)  
Fourth and Pike Building

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, STATE: Washington CODE: 53

STREET AND NUMBER:

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
Clallam County Courthouse Vol. 212 Page 597

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Port Angeles STATE: Washington CODE: 53

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Historic Structures Report, Humes Ranch, Parts I and II

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation,  
National Park Service, Interior Building

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: District of Columbia CODE: 001

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Old photographs leave little doubt that the ranch cabin is authentic. Human testimony further corroborates the indications of the building's historic nature. After 1934, the cabin was occupied by Herb and Lois Crisler who filmed the Walt Disney classic on the Olympic elk. They may have made minor alterations in the cabins but photographs, news accounts and human testimony indicate that the structure is fundamentally original.

The cabin consists of one room constructed of dovetailed logs approximately 15'X18' long, and a kitchen to the rear (south) the same width and approximately 9 to 10 feet deep, constructed with a sapling frame and vertical cedar weatherboarding. The roof of the log section is cedar shakes secured to purlins bearing on the gable end walls with the additional support of rafters at mid-section.

A porch six feet deep with hipped roof extends the width of the cabin front and a similar porch extends south off the kitchen. A larder is built in one corner of the kitchen. The log section contains a north door and one 5'X2' window facing west.

The cabin was restored to its original exterior appearance by the National Park Service in 1970. A chimney and picture window added by the Crislers were removed, the bottom logs, foundation and flooring replaced, the roof repaired, and duplicates of original missing doors fabricated. The original planed lumber ceiling and loft above, now gone, were not replaced.

Still standing in front of the cabin are a plum tree, a pear tree and several apple trees. These were planted by Humes and still bear fruit.

The sheds, barn and other out structures are not now in existence.

Recommended level of treatment: Preservation. Annual cost: \$1,000

Boundary

The cabin occupies the southern extremity of a gently sloping natural mountain terrace comprising approximately one half acre on the easterly side of the narrow Elwha River Valley. This terrace is situated 100 feet or more above the flood plane where crops were planted and domestic animals grazed, and which was reached by a crude roadway (now reduced to a trail) cut into the rather steep embankment. The terrace is served by a spring emanating from the mountainside. A small dam empounding water (now silted in) is situated at an elevation which would provide a flow of water by pipe or wood flume to the cabin.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |                                       |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |  |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Humes Ranch is of local significance but of primary importance historically because it is one of the few remaining structures representing pioneer life in the Olympics. The cabin was built by William Humes around the turn of the century. He was an easterner who joined his brother, Martin, and cousin, Ward Sanders, on a trip to the gold fields of Alaska. An early winter stalled their plans and by the following year they had settled in the Olympics. Grant Humes joined his brother a few years later and became the sole proprietor of the Humes Ranch. Grant Humes was a recluse who earned his living by hunting and packing. He acted as a guide in the early mountaineering ventures. He scouted the trails for the earliest authenticated conquest of Mount Olympus and personally scaled a number of peaks in the range.

Actually, the period of settlement in the Elwha drainage was itself of late vintage. Few settlers preceded the Humes brothers to this area.

The Humes Ranch cabin is both significant and authentic. It would be a fitting vehicle with which to convey an important chapter in the history of the Olympics.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Ruby El Hult's "The Untamed Olympics"  
Olympic National Park's historic files

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		47 56 53N	123 32 39W	
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than one acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: David H. Huntzinger, Staff Interpreter, & Laurinda Huffman II		DATE: March 7, 1974
BUSINESS ADDRESS: Olympic National Park		
STREET AND NUMBER: 600 East Park Avenue		PHONE:
CITY OR TOWN: Port Angeles	STATE Washington 98362	CODE 53

12. CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION	NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION
<p>State Liaison Officer recommendation:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><i>Charles DeFord</i> State Liaison Officer Signature</p> <p>In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Liaison Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The recommended level of significance is <input type="checkbox"/> National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local</p> <p><i>Dr. Gary A. White</i> Federal Representative Signature Deputy Assistant Secretary Title</p> <p>APR 22 1976 Date</p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER</p> <p>Date <u>9/14/77</u></p> <p>ATTEST: <i>Charles DeFord</i> Keeper of The National Register</p> <p>Date <u>9-13-77</u></p>

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

Property Humes Ranch Cabin #699

State Washington Working Number 4.27.76.3140

**TECHNICAL** UTM can't be checked  
Photos 1  
Maps 1

**CONTROL**  
pl  
5.6.76

Need to change original significance need discussion of architectural significance. (They should have added settlement as an area of significance.) Need more of Disney film - How long did the Crisler's live there? When? The boundary description is not clear - does it include the dam?

**HISTORIAN**  
CALL  
W.R. Luce  
7/20/76

"one 5'x2' window facing west"?  
I see two small windows? ~~When was movie filmed?~~  
When did Grant Hume climb Mt. Olympus? With whom?

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**  
irrelevant  
Call - Accept  
D. Cook  
14 July 76

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

Concur with historian.

Accept  
Braham 9/8/77

Our new acreage estimator clearly shows that the nominated area does not include the dam. The other questions would be nice, but it has been so long since we reviewed this nomination I think we should.

**OTHER**  
Accept  
W.R. Luce  
9/7/77

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_  
Review \_\_\_\_\_

Restored 1970

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**  
ACCEPT  
LEBOUGH  
9/9/77

**BRANCH CHIEF**

Hurington  
9.13.77

**KEEPER**

Wh  
9/14/77

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_ Send-back \_\_\_\_\_ Entered SEP 14 1977  
Federal Register Entry 10-4-77 Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

INT:2106-74



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(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

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Washington

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ENTRY NUMBER

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AND/OR HISTORIC: Humes Ranch

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

About seven miles south of Lake Mills Dam on east side of Elwha River

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

Washington

CODE

53

COUNTY:

Clallam

CODE

009

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: National Park Service

DATE OF PHOTO: 1974

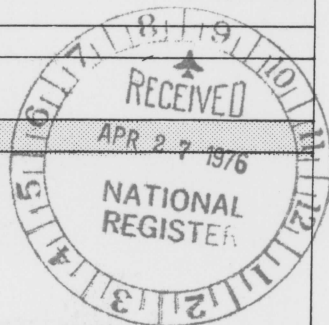
NEGATIVE FILED AT:

Headquarters, Olympic National Park

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

Photograph of Humes Ranch Cabin viewed from Northwest



Form 10-301  
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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COUNTY Clallam	
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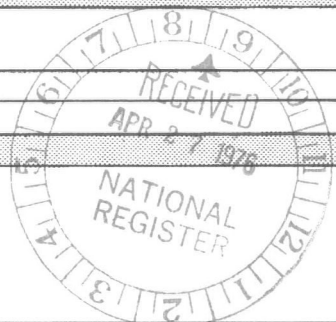
3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:  
U.S.G.S. Hurricane Hill, Washington  
SCALE: 1: 24000  
DATE: 1950

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

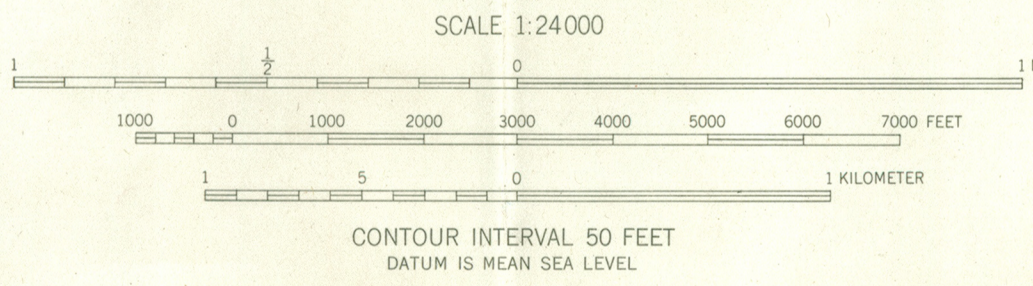
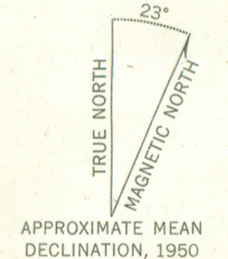




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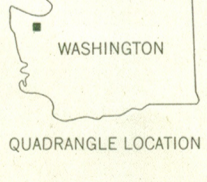
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Mapped by the Army Map Service  
Published for civil use by the Geological Survey  
Control by USGS, USC&GS, and USCE  
Topography from aerial photographs by multiplex methods  
Aerial photographs taken 1943. Field check 1950  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Washington coordinate system,  
north zone  
Dashed land lines indicate approximate locations  
Unchecked elevations are shown in brown



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	4 LANE 16 LANE	Light-duty
Medium-duty	4 LANE 16 LANE	Unimproved dirt
U. S. Route		State Route



HURRICANE HILL, WASH.  
NE/4 MOUNT OLYMPUS 15' QUADRANGLE  
N4752.5—W12330/7.5



# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:  
H34PC

APR 20 1976

Memorandum

To: Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation  
Through: Federal Representative to the National Register,  
Department of the Interior  
From: Federal Representative, National Park Service  
Subject: Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places

Enclosed is the nomination of "Humes Ranch Cabin," in the Olympic National Park, Pacific Northwest Region of the National Park Service, submitted for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places, in compliance with Executive Order No. 11593.

*Robert M. Utley*  
Robert M. Utley

Enclosure



ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE WASHINGTON

Date Entered SEP 14 1977

Name

Location

Humes Ranch Cabin #699

Port Angeles vicinity  
Clallam County

Also Notified

Hon. Warren G. Magnuson  
Hon. Henry M. Jackson  
Hon. Don L. Bonker  
Mr. David F. Hales, Deputy Asst.  
Secretary for Fish and Wildlife  
and Parks  
Chief, Cultural Resource Management

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Ms. Jeanne M. Welch  
Acting Conservator  
P.O. Box 1128  
Olympia, Washington 98504

Regional Director, Pacific Northwest  
Region

9-15-77

Mott/ej

880

# NR Data Sheet

DATE: 13 July 1976  
Reviewer INITIALS: D. Look  
NR DOE SEP 14 1977

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: HUME RANCH CABIN #699

OTHER NAMES: HUME RANCH

## LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER ABOUT 7 MILES SOUTH OF LAKE MILLS DAM ON EAST SIDE

CITY/TOWN OF ELWHA RIVER

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE WASHINGTON

VICINITY OF

COUNTY CLALLAM code 009

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline): FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME): NPS

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  
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  DETERIORATED  UNALTERED  ORIGINAL SITE  
                   GOOD  RUINS  ALTERED  MOVED  
                   FAIR  UNEXPOSED  RECONSTRUCTED  UNKNOWN  
                   UNEXCAVATED  EXCAVATED

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

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- RANCH

now- PARK, EDUCATION

## SIGNIFICANCE:

- |   |                                       |   |  |   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHAEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment  |
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## Claims

"first" YES  NO  "oldest" YES  NO  "only" YES  NO

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: LOG STRUCTURE

architect/m.builder: WILLIAM HUME

engineer: —

landscape/garden designer: —

artist/artisan: —

interior decorator: —

builder/contractor: —

ETHNIC GROUP: —

NAMES:

personal —

(label role

&

appropriate date)

events GRANT HUME CLIMBED MT. OLYMPUS  
AFTER 1934, WALT DISNEY FILM CLASSIC (OLYMPIC ELK)  
SHOT HERE

institutional —

DATES:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century): 1900-05

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS: AFTER 1934, LATER RESTORED

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S):

SOURCE:

(OF NOMINATION)

PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

NPS

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre) LESS THAN 1

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here) LOG CABIN (15'x18') CONSTRUCTED OF ROUND, DOVETAILED LOGS WITH FRAME KITCHEN ADDITION (15'x9') W/ VERTICAL CEDAR WEATHERBOARDING; ROOF-CEDAR SHAKES SECURED TO PURLINS BEARING ON THE GABLE END WALLS W/ ADDITIONAL SUPPORT OF RAFTERS AT MID-SECTION; PORCH- 6 FT. DEEP W/ HIPPED ROOF EXTENDS WIDTH OF CABIN FRONT<sup>(NORTH)</sup> SIMILAR PORCH OFF KITCHEN<sup>(SOUTH)</sup>; DOOR - NORTH SIDE; 2 SMALL WINDOWS ON WEST SIDE

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)

THE HUME RANCH IS OF LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BUT OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE HISTORICALLY BECAUSE IT IS ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING STRUCTURES REPRESENTING PIONEER LIFE IN THE OLYMPICS.