

NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

PNRO INVENTORY

National Park Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Cultural Resources Division

Westin Building Room 1920
2001 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98121

NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE/SITE (Building) <i>ROCK CABIN</i>			DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>c. 1920s</i>		SITE ID. NO. 	
SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION <i>On Fisher Creek trail, north side, approx. 1/2-3/4 mile from Junction Camp</i>			ADDITION(S)		SCALE <i>1:24000</i> QUAD NAME <i>Mt. Logan</i>	
DISTRICT <i>Skagit</i> COUNTY <i>Skagit</i> STATE <i>Washington</i>			☒ CONTRIBUTING ☐ NON-CONTRIBUTING		UTM ZONE EASTING NORTHING 10 6477805382310 CROSS REFERENCE <i>NOCA Bldg. #1216 / III-10</i>	
OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS <i>National Park Service</i>			DANGER OF DEMOLITION? ☐ YES (SPECIFY THREAT) ☐ NO ☒ UNKNOWN			

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

Log cabin. Three-sided log construction set on rock foundation; rectangle (9.5' x 15'); 1 bay wide; 1-story; round logs with hand-hewn planked ends and saddle-notched corners; wood-shaked shed roof meeting rock wall; entrance opening (32" x 62") with log jamb on east. Exterior features include horizontal 2-pane sash (37" x 15"); window openings on east (34" x 16") and north (37" x 31") with surrounds; exposed log purlins; south wall of cabin (against huge single rock) composed of vertical split shakes (4 1/2') supported by horizontal split logs. Notable landscape feature is notched log frame 2 logs high adjacent to west wall of cabin (addition).

This log cabin may have been built by John Dayo, a trapper who lived in Marblemount and began trapping in the upper Skagit Valley the winter of 1920. He trapped Bacon Creek before moving up into Fisher Creek. Every fall Dayo packed the bulk of his food into Rock Cabin where he based his winter operation. Traveling by snowshoe Dayo mainly trapped marten, coyote, fox and an occasional lynx, and sold his pelts to furriers in Seattle, St. Louis, Chicago and New York. Dayo also worked seasonally for the U.S. Forest Service. Writing on a shelf in the cabin reveals "John Dayo Xmas Day 1927" and "John Dayo and Ethel Dayo Xmas Day 1928-29". Rock cabin was probably last used by trappers c. 1950.

PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY ☐ YES, LIMITED ☒ YES, UNLIMITED ☐ UNKNOWN			EXISTING SURVEYS ☐ NR ☐ HABS ☐ NHL ☒ LCS ☐ NPS			☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL ☐ OTHER		
LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ NAME			CONDITION ☐ EXCELLENT ☐ FAIR ☐ RUINS ☒ GOOD ☐ DETERIORATED					

SIGNIFICANCE *Eligible under Nat. Reg. Criterion B: for its association with a person significant in NOCA history; and under Criterion C: as a distinct type and method of construction. This unique log cabin represents a type of vernacular architecture that is a direct response to the environment and an individual's needs. It possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and is associated with the life of a local resident whose experiences in the North Cascades and upper Skagit Valley has enriched our understanding of this area.*

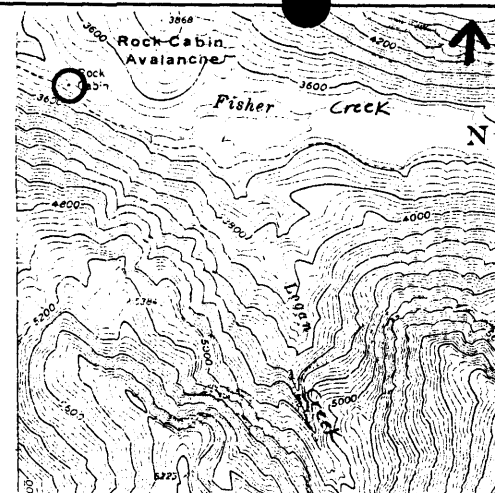
PHOTOGRAPHS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION



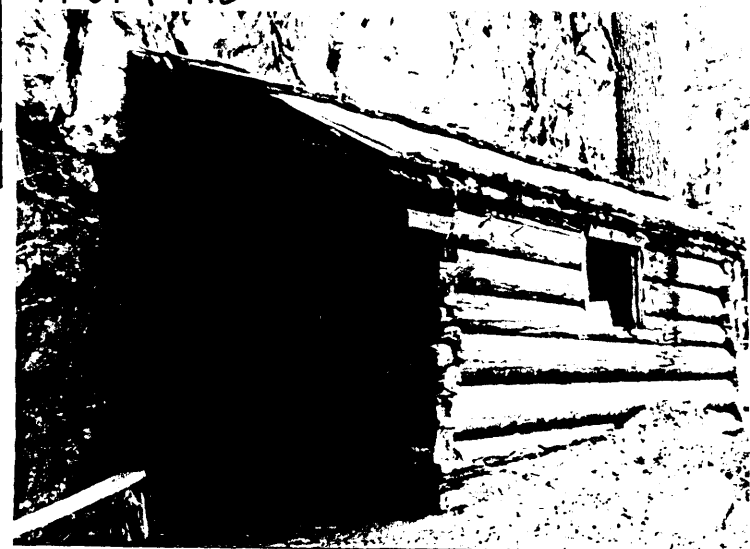
DETAIL



FROM SW



FROM NE



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HABS/HAER QUALITY

☐ YES

☒ NO

REFERENCES

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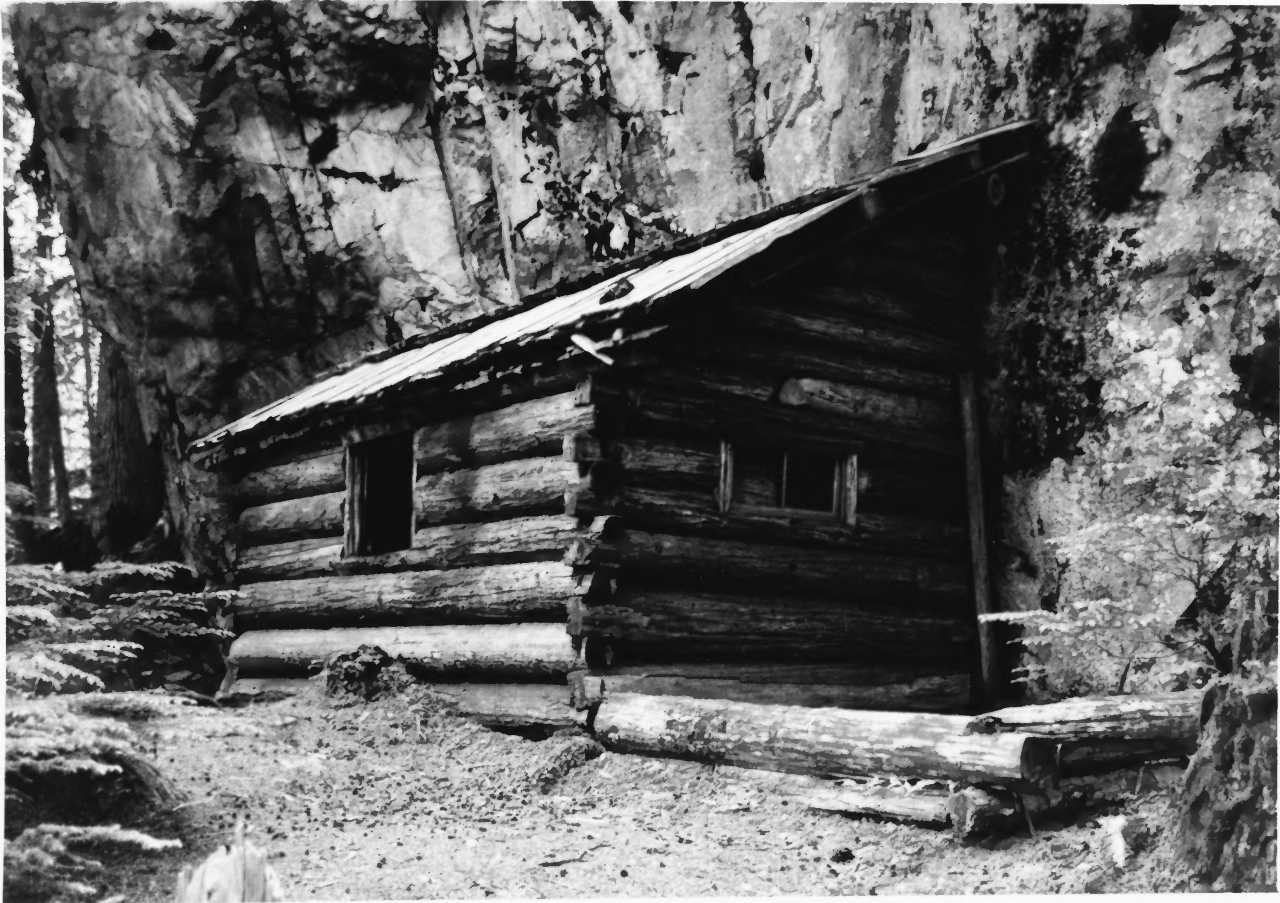
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