

Area	Form no.
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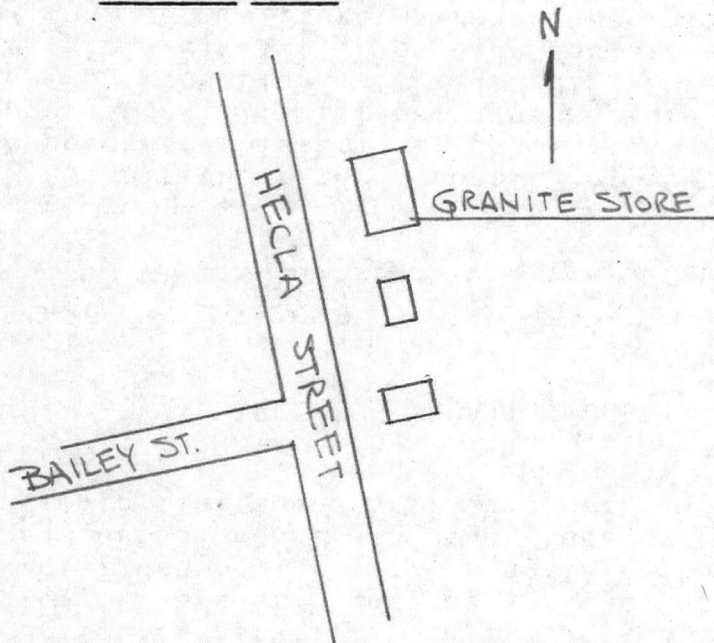
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

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Town Uxbridge  
 Address 112-116 Hecla Street  
 Historic Name the Granite Store  
 Use: Original commercial  
 Present residential  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original owner P. Cummings (1855) or G.R. Spaulding

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1850-1860  
 Source exterior & atlases  
 Style astylistic  
 Architect unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric split granite  
 Outbuildings none  
 Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_  
none apparent  
 Moved no Date N/A  
 Approx. acreage 26,552 sq. ft.  
 Setting in former mill village of wood-frame cottages (ca. 1840-1885)

Recorded by B.R. Pfeiffer  
 Organization Uxbridge Historical Commission  
 Date May 1981

UTM BL: 19/283840/4661130

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

Basically astylistic in its design, the Granite Store is noteworthy both for its granite construction and for its preservation of its original, commercial design. The building is rectangular in plan, built of alternating wide and narrow courses of rock-faced granite ashlar. Cornices are trimmed with simple Italianate style brackets and sash is of two sizes of 6/6.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

In addition to the integrity of its original design, the Granite Store possesses historical associations with the expansion of Hecla Village, as a mill village. The building's facade and plan reminds <sup>one of</sup> that of the Rogerson Block of the 1820's (Form #47-B), although at a smaller scale. This similarity of plan and elevation suggests that like the Rogerson Block the Granite Store may have been planned to contain a store (first storey) and a community hall (second storey).

Early ownership of the building is unclear. In 1855, a building owned by P. Cummings is marked in this location; however, it is not until 1870 that the present building was clearly labelled on this site. In 1870, the Granite Store was marked as the property of G.R. Spaulding; however, Spaulding may merely have operated a company store here for the owners of the Hecla Mill. The listing which follows Spaulding's name on the 1870 Atlas's directory, suggests that Spaulding also ran a company-owned farm at Hecla Village.

The Granite Store possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials and workmanship, as well as historical associations with the development of Hecla Village as workers' housing for the nearby Hecla Mill. The Granite Store meets criteria A and C of the NRHP.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES : Maps & Atlases: 1855, 1857, 1870, 1898  
 Chapin 1881: 73  
 Hurd 1888 I: 170  
 Jewett 1879 II: 433  
 Sprague 1927: 36, 63, 88 & 90

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Uxbridge	Form No: 43-65 <sup>116</sup>
Property Name: Granite Store	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The facade (west) is symmetrical, having a center entry flanked by two oversized windows on each side, which, in turn, are flanked by single entries near the building's corners; the second storey contains six smaller windows. End elevations are asymmetrical.

Owner: Anna V. Cove  
112-116 Hecla Street  
Uxbridge, MA

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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only  
received 8/26/83  
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area  
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Capron, Charles, House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

12. Chapin, A., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

13. Cook, A. E., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

14. Central Woolen Mills  
District

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Donna Lee Boyd 1/20/84

Attest

15. Deane, Francis, Cottage

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

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16. Farnum Block

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National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

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17. Farnum, Moses, House

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National Register

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Melrose Byers 10/7/83

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18. Farnum, R., House

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National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

19. Granite Store

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

20. Hall, S. A., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Granite Store (Uxbridge M R A)  
Worcester County  
MASSACHUSETTS

AUG 26 1983

Working No. \_\_\_\_\_

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85

Date Due: 9/22/83 - 10/10/83

Action:  ACCEPT 10/7/83

Entered in the \_\_\_\_\_ RETURN \_\_\_\_\_  
National Register \_\_\_\_\_ REJECT \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Location \_\_\_\_\_

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property \_\_\_\_\_

5. Location of Legal Description \_\_\_\_\_

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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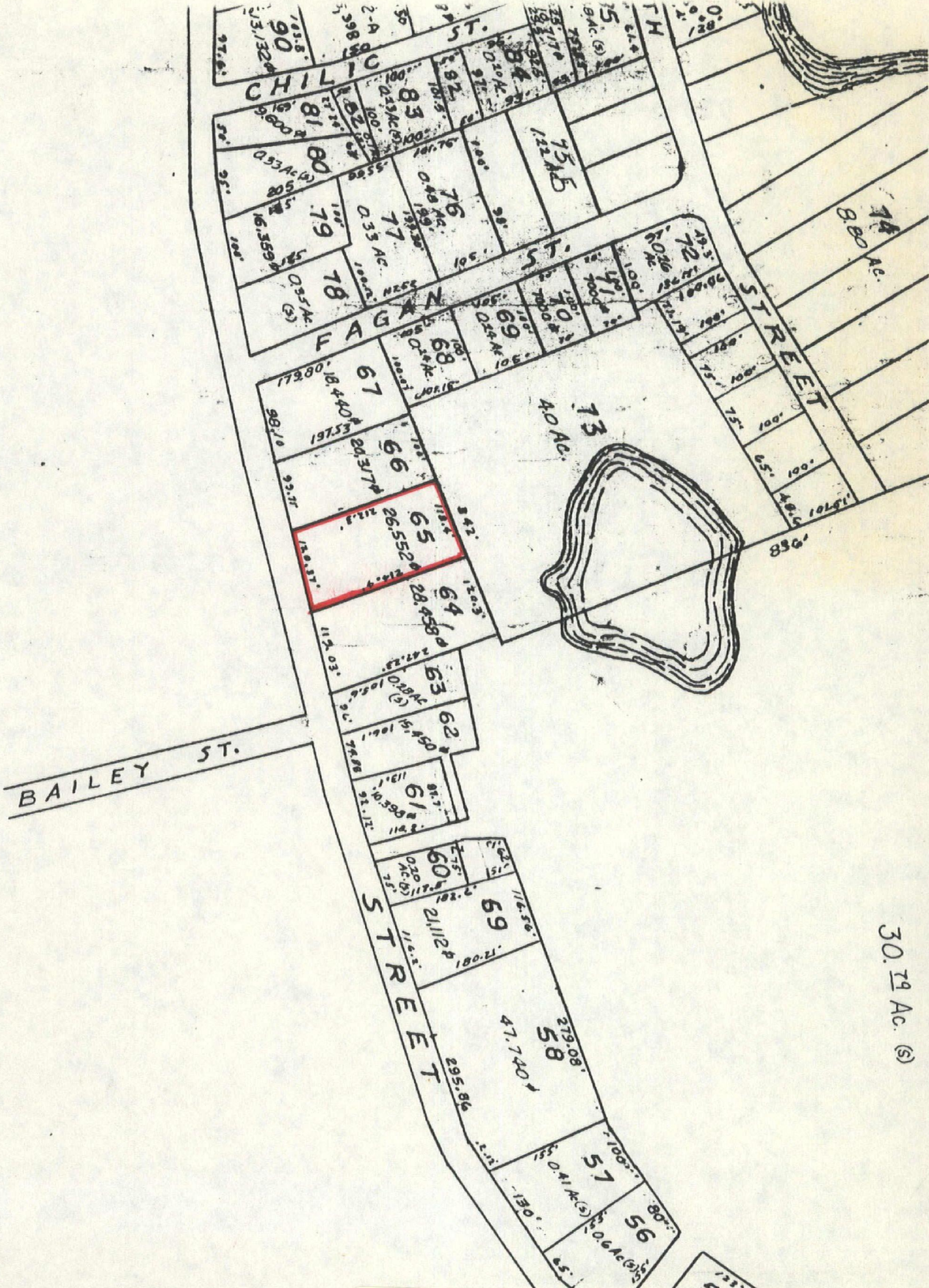
**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

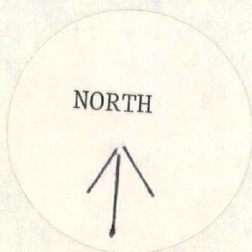
Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_





30.79 Ac. (S)



Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area  
 Granite Store  
 112 Hecla Street  
 Map #43 Lot #65  
 Uxbridge Assessors  
 1" = 200' 1983

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000299