HAER INVENTORY

Historic American Engineering Record
Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.

1. SITE I.D. NO

2. INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION: TRANS: MARINE: Nav. Aids — 5501

3. PRIORITY: 1

4. DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT) ☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ UNKNOWN

5. DATE: 1892

6. GOVT SOURCE OF THREAT: OWNER ADMIN

7. OWNER/ADMIN: United States Coast Guard, DOT

8. NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE: Two Harbors Light Station

9. OWNER'S ADDRESS: 400 7th Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

10. STATE MN / COUNTY: Lake / CITY/VICINITY: Two Harbors / CONG. DIST.

STATE / COUNTY / COUNTY NAME / CITY/VICINITY / CONG. DIST.

11. SITE ADDRESS (STREET & NO.): On point between Agate and Burlington Bays

12. EXISTING SURVEYS: ☐ NR ☐ NHL ☐ HABS ☐ HAER—I ☐ HAER ☐ NPS ☐ CL6
☐ CONF ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL ☐ OTHER

13. SPECIAL FEATURES (DESCRIBE BELOW)
☐ INTERIOR INTACT ☒ EXTERIOR INTACT ☐ ENVIRONS INTACT

14. UTM ZONE 15 / EASTING 601580 / NORTHING 5207370 / SIGN
SCALE ☒ 1:24 ☐ 1:62.5 ☐ OTHER ____ QUAD NAME: Two Harbors

UTM ZONE / EASTING / NORTHING / SIGN
SCALE ☐ 1:24 ☐ 1:62.5 ☐ OTHER ____ QUAD NAME: ____

15. CONDITION: 70 ☐ EXCELLENT 71 ☐ GOOD 72 ☒ FAIR 73 ☐ DETERIORATED 74 ☐ RUINS 75 ☐ UNEXPOSED 76 ☒ ALTERED 82 ☐ DESTROYED 85 ☐ DEMOLISHED

16. INVENTORIED BY: Charles K. Hyde / AFFILIATION: HAER-Great Lakes Lighthouse Survey / DATE: 7/2/1979

17. DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), HISTORICAL DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

At the time the Two Harbors Light Station was completed in 1892, this was the major shipping point for the iron ores of the Mesabi Range, far surpassing Duluth in importance. The Keeper's House is a two story red brick building 35 feet square, with two gabled roofs, with an attached light tower, 12 feet 9 inches square, also of brick, 49 feet 6 inches tall from the base to the top of the ventilator ball. The focal plane of the lens is 78 feet above the mean low water level of Lake Superior. The tower supports an octagonal cast iron lantern which has an inscribed inside diameter of 7 feet. The original Fresnel lens (4th Order) was replaced in 1970 with a pair of rotating airport-type electric beacons. The site also contains the Assistant Keeper's house, a frame L-shaped building with gabled roofs, measuring 16 by 24 feet, with an ell of 12 by 20 feet. The original Fog Signal house also survives, a rectangular building with a gabled roof, measuring 22 by 40 feet, as well as the brick Oil

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18. ORIGINAL USE: Harbor Light / PRESENT USE: Harbor Light / ADAPTIVE USE:

19. REFERENCES—HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER

U.S. Department of Commerce and Labor, Light-House Establishment, "Description of Buildings, Premises, Equipment, etc.," Record Group 26, National Archives, Report of 9 September 1910; Dwight E. Woodbridge and John S. Pardee, editors, History of Duluth and St. Louis County Past and Present (Chicago: Cooper and Company, 1910), I, p. 150.

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20. URBAN AREA 50,000 POP. OR MORE? ☐ YES ☒ NO

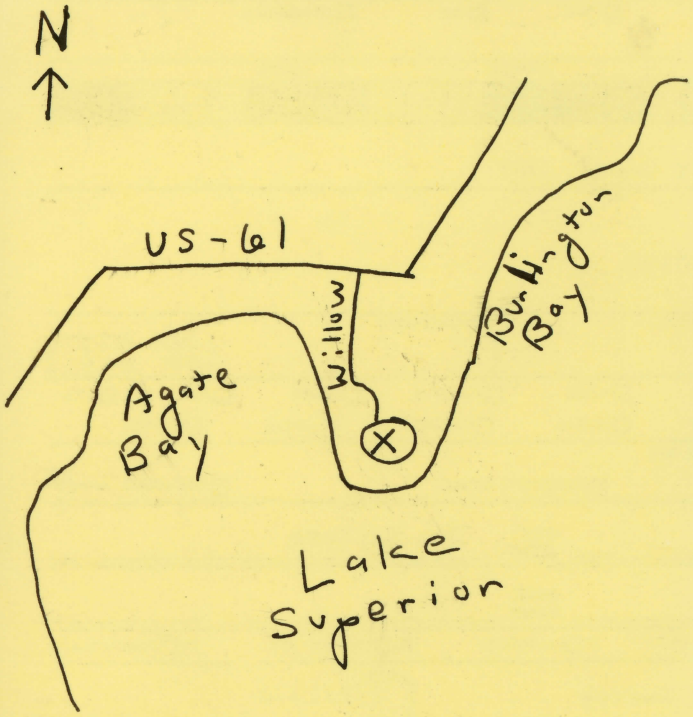
21. HCRS REGION

22. PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY ☒ YES, LIMITED ☐ YES, UNLIMITED ☐ NO ☐ UNKNOWN

23. EDITOR / INDEXER

24. LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☐ YES ☒ NO NAME DISTRICT I.D. NO

25. PHOTOS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION







DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

House measuring 5 feet by 7 feet, with a gabled roof. None of the fog signal equipment has survived.

REFERENCES (CONTINUED)

UBD; see map; approx. 3 acres

This lighthouse played an important role in the development of the Mesabi Range iron industry.

ABSTRACT

HAER NO	LC	TECH REPORT	HIST REPORT	CONTEMP PHOTO	HIST PHOTO	CONTEMP DRWG	HIST DRWG	COLOR PLATE	PHOTOGRAM	SW	FILM

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Two Harbors Light Station (U.S. Coast Guard Lighthouses and Light Stations on the Great Lakes TR)
Lake County
MINNESOTA

Working No. 6/21/83
Fed. Reg. Date:
Date Due: 7/21/83 - 8/5/83
Action: ___ ACCEPT
✓ RETURN 8/4/83
___ REJECT
Federal Agency: U.S. Coast Guard

☐ 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: X 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		Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
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- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
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- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

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

13. Other

- ☒ Maps Please provide USGS map
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

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Signed Melores Byers Date 8/4/83 Phone: _____

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name U.S. Coast Guard Lighthouses and Light Stations on the Great Lakes TR
State IL, MI, MN, NY, OH, PA, & WI

	Nomination/Type of Review		Date/Signature
21.	Sturgeon Point Light Station	Substantive Review Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
22.	St. Martin Island Light Station	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
23.	Tawas Point (Ottowa Point) Light Station	Substantive Review Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
24.	Thunder Bay Island Light Station	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
25.	Waugoshance Light Station	Substantive Review	Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/4/83 Attest
26.	White Shoal Light Station	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
MN 27.	Duluth South Breakwater Inner (Duluth Range Rear) Lighthouse	Substantive Review	Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/4/83 Attest
28.	Two Harbors Light Station	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
NY 29.	Buffalo Main Light	Substantive Review Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 7/19/84 Attest
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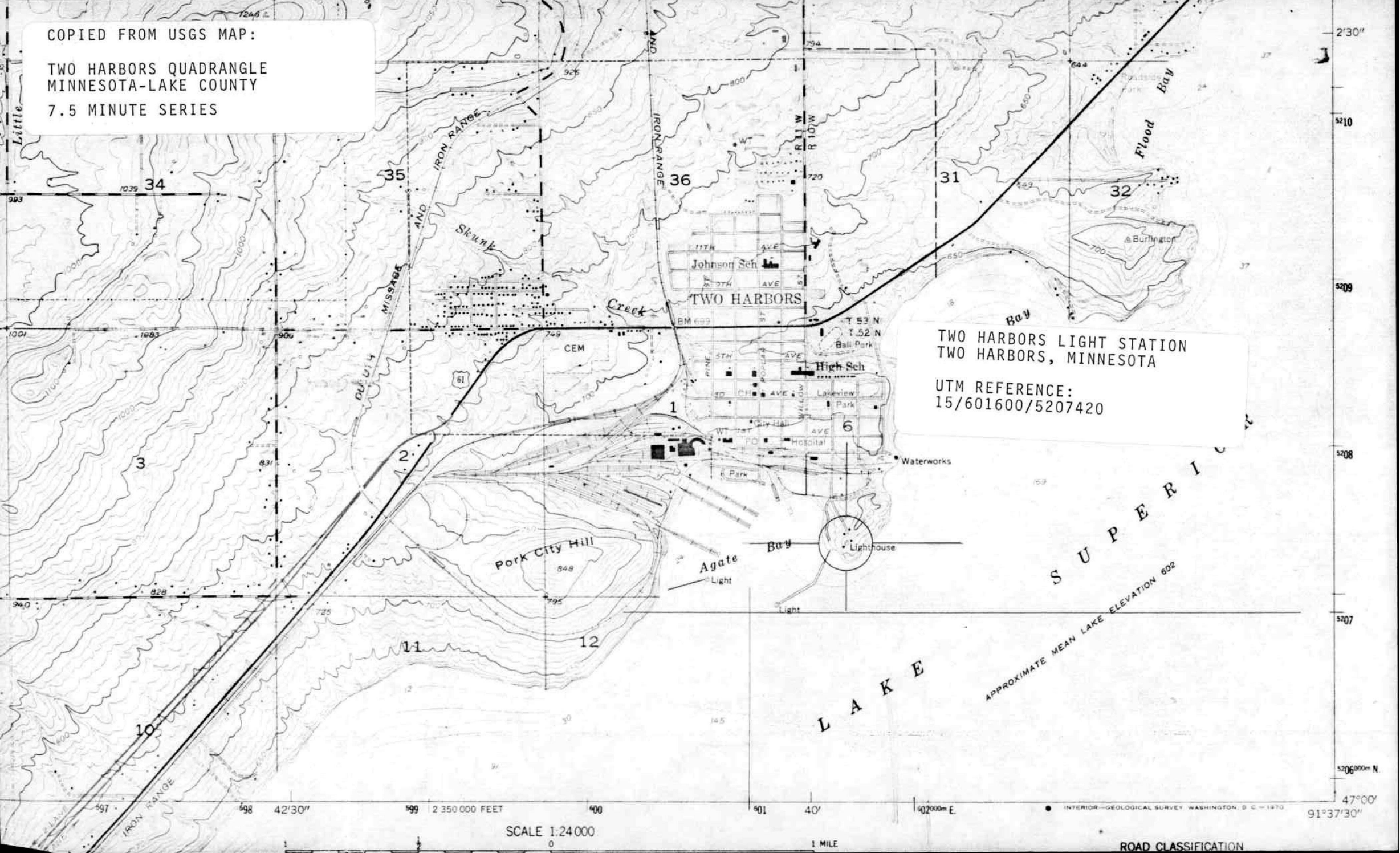
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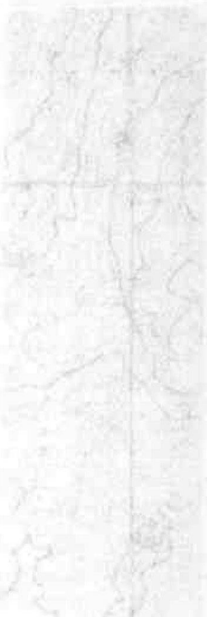
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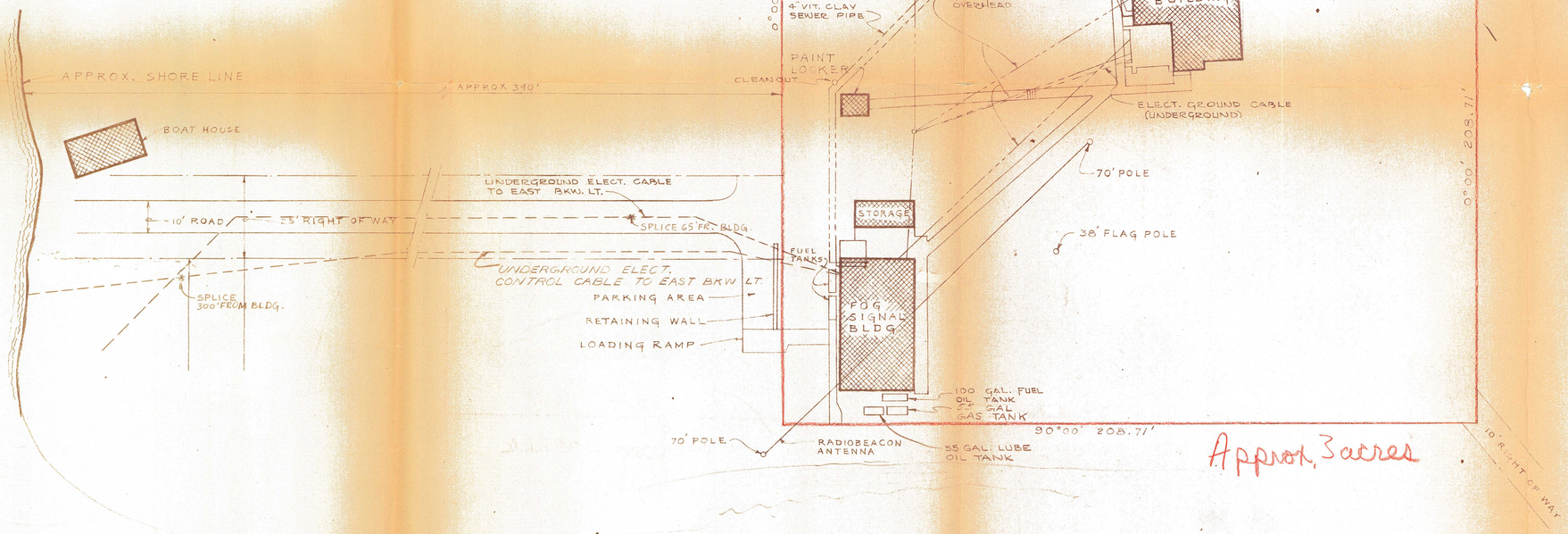

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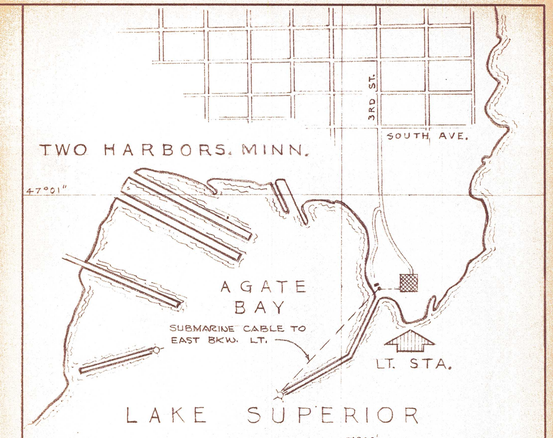
Two Harbors Quadrangle

Minnesota - Lake County

7.5 minute series







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U.S. COAST GUARD, 9TH DISTRICT, CLEVELAND, OHIO

CIVIL ENGINEERING

TWO HARBORS LIGHT STATION

TWO HARBORS, - MINNESOTA

PLOT PLAN

APPROVED: R. L. Jacobs — CHIEF OF DIVISION (ACTING)

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To: Name	Title	Date	Org/Rtg Symbol
Carol Schull	Supervisory Historian	7-2-84	Nat. Register of Historic Places.

Remarks:

Reference to review comment on 30 Coast Guard nominations--"USGS needed."

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