PRESQUE ISLE LIGHTHOUSE

INTERPRETIVE TRAIL & SIGNS

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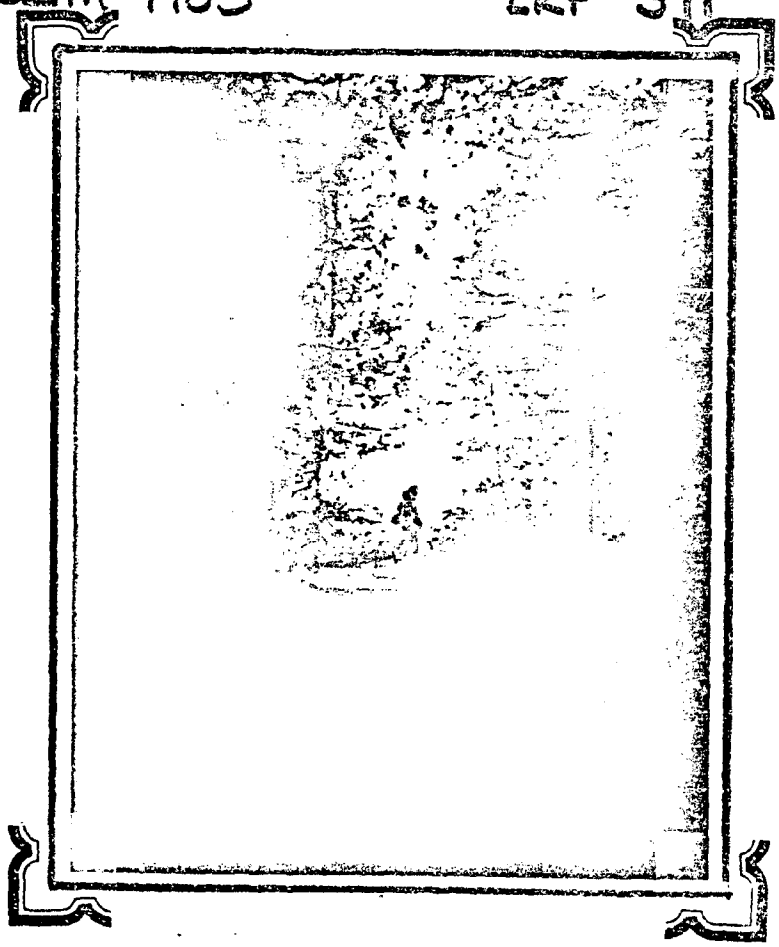

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EXHIBIT A

PRESQUE ISLE TOWNSHIP
LIGHTHOUSE PARK INTERPRETIVE TRAILS AND SIGNS

Project Location

The Presque Isle Township Lighthouse Park is located on Lake Huron at the north point of the Presque Isle Peninsula. The property includes an active Great Lakes lighthouse that is maintained by the U.S. Coast Guard. All other structures and property were leased to the township board as a local park in 1973 on a 99 year renewable lease. There is approximately 9½ acres of land associated with the park.

Project Description

Presque Isle Township will undertake certain low-cost construction activities at the Lighthouse Park so as to provide educational opportunities for its visitors. It is the intent of this project to provide historical interpretation of the lighthouse and life-saving station facilities to portray an example of such operations in the Great Lakes in the late 1800s.

The project also proposes the construction of a 4-5' wide woodchip/gravel nature trail throughout the 9½ acre site, utilizing existing pathways where possible. The trails would extend from the lighthouse to North Bay around the point to East Bay and return to the parking area, a distance of approximately 1¼ miles. Such a trail would be used for hiking in the summer and cross-country skiing in the winter. Approximately five interpretive signs would be installed in various appropriate locations along the trail to depict significant plant species, geological features, historical sites or other coastal resources. One of these signs will be a trail orientation sign located near the main parking area. Additionally, five wooden benches will be constructed and located along the trail. Additionally, other historical interpretive signage would be placed next to several structures, including the lighthouse tower and caretakers quarters to describe the design, purpose and other interesting facts about the structure. The project would also entail the construction of a small nature observation platform to take advantage of the view of Lake Huron and its shoreline which this property offers. This deck would most likely be located at the extreme northern tip of the property near the end of the driveway.

The trail, platform, bench locations and sign layout will be in accordance with a master development plan prepared jointly by the township and the DNR coastal management staff. The sketch drawing will be prepared by the township. The construction of the nature trails and the observation platform will be performed primarily by township volunteer labor. A summer youth employment program may also be utilized. Material donations will also be solicited.

A brochure describing the history and functioning of the light station will be prepared and 5,000 copies will be printed.

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Report

In addition to the quarterly financial and progress reports, a final report describing all work performed under this grant is required. Three copies of a bound report are to be submitted by the township to the DNR at the completion of this project or no later than September 15, 1983. This report is to include 20 color prints which depict project site conditions before, during and after construction.

Project Schedule

January 1 to March 31	Collaborate on development plan for trail and observation platform. Prepare text and graphics for interpretive signs and for artwork and sign preparation.
April 1 to August 31	Construct facilities and erect signs in accordance with approved development plan.
September 1 to September 15	Prepare and submit final report to DNR.

Project Personnel

Mr. Carl Timm, Architect and Chairman of the Presque Isle Township Planning Commission will be the township coordinator for this project. Volunteer labor will be provided by township and local residents. A nonfederally funded summer youth employment program may be utilized.

Project Budget

Source of Funds:

State/Federal Grant (50%)	$ 5,000
Township Match (50%) (cash, donated time & materials)	5,000
Estimated Total Project Cost	$10,000

Budget:

1)	Site location signs (2)	$ 500
2)	Nature trails (1¼ miles) (includes labor, materials and equipment expense	5,000
3)	Trail marking signs (5)	1,000
4)	Trail benches (5)	1,000
5)	Brochure (5,000 copies)	500
6)	Observation platform	2,000
	Total Estimated Project Cost	$10,000

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NATURAL RESOURCES
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Re: ER-5475

Mr. Michael A. Kessler
Coastal Management Program
Lans Resource Programs Division
Department of Natural Resources
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Mr. Kessler:

Our staff has reviewed the proposed rehabilitation of the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse, Alcona County and concludes that it will have no adverse effect on this lighthouse complex which we believe is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places if the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (enclosed) are followed during construction. If these cannot be followed for any reason, please inform us immediately.

If you have further questions, please contact Donald E. Weston, Environmental Review Coordinator for the Michigan History Division at (517) 373-0510. (Please refer to the reference number above.) Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Martha M. Bigelow
Director, Michigan History Division
and
State Historic Preservation Officer

Kathryn B. Eckert

By: Kathryn B. Eckert
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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cc: Michael Smith, Museum

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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

FOR A COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Township of Presque Isle wishes to submit a project for inclusion on the list of projects for funding under Michigan's Coastal Management Program; and

WHEREAS, This project is the development of a nature trail with the installation of natural, coastal and historical interpretation signage at the Presque Isle Township Lighthouse Park; and,

WHEREAS, The total cost of this project is estimated to be $17,000; and

WHEREAS, The Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' Coastal Management Program to help defray the cost of this project to be matched with funds available from local sources;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees does hereby support and endorse this project and will provide the necessary local match with the Coastal Management Program funds to implement this project.

Adopted by the Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees at a meeting on April 12, 1982.
(date)

Ayes 5

Nays 0

Absent 0

Attested by Michael D. Barnett
Supervisor

Judith D. Cameron
Clerk

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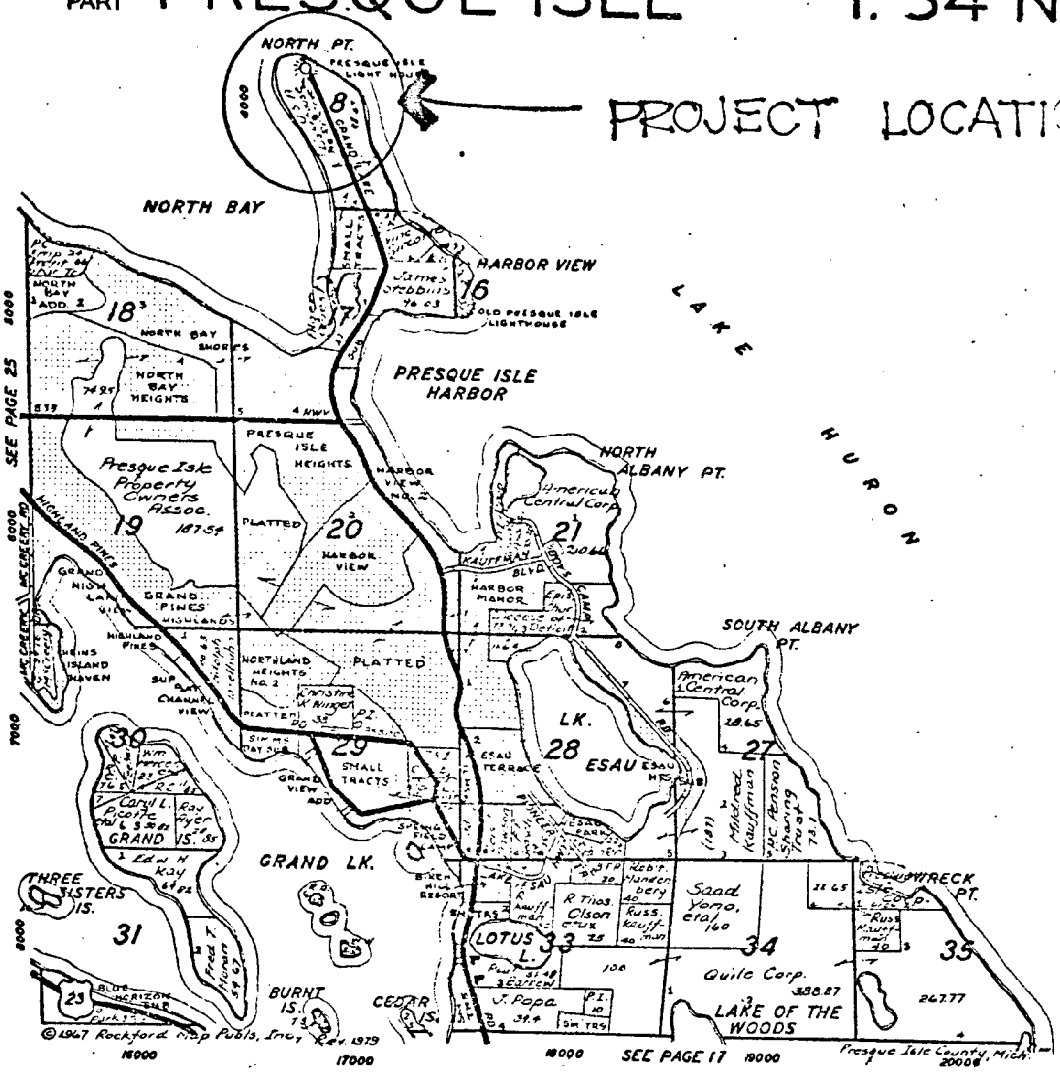

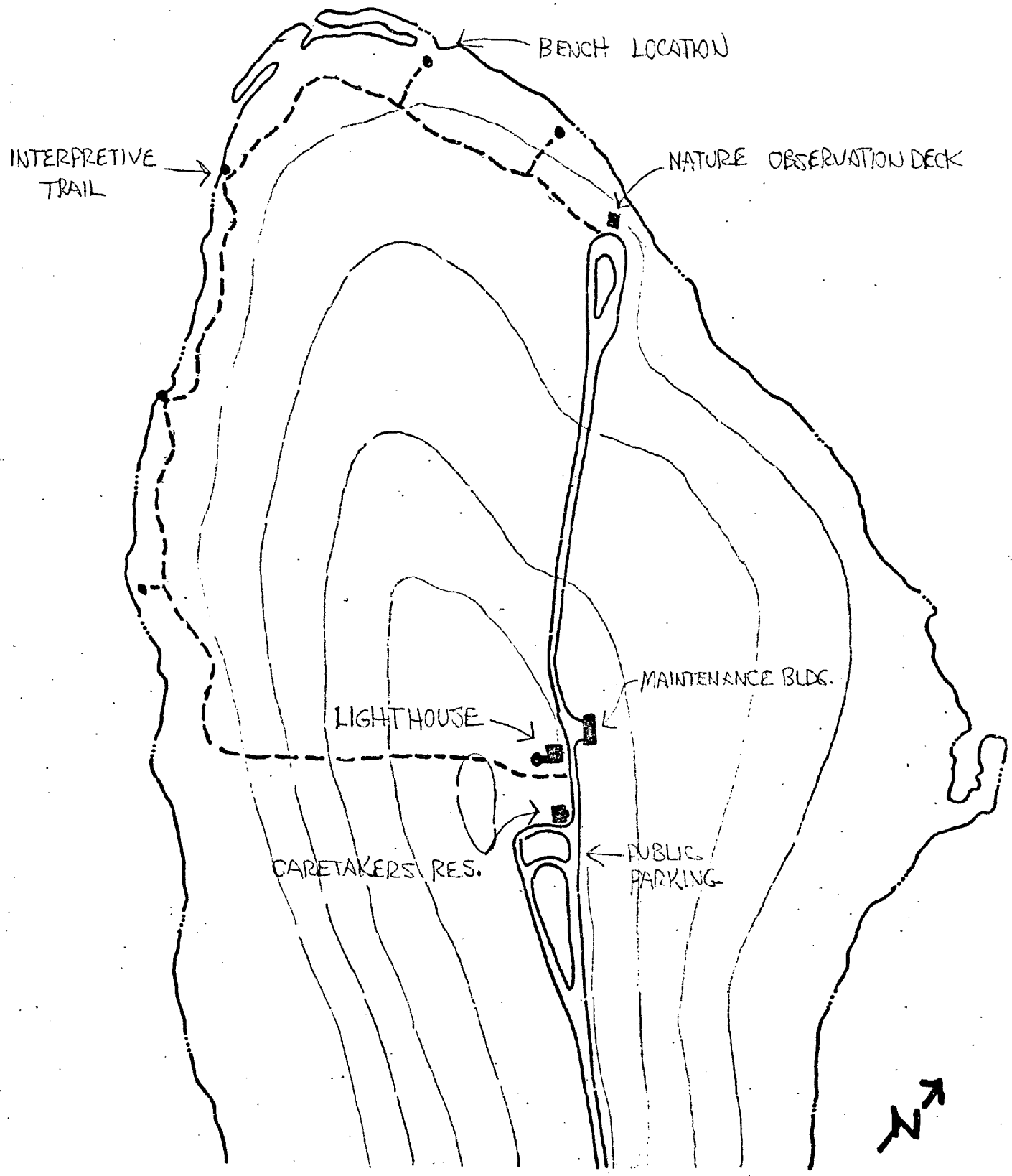

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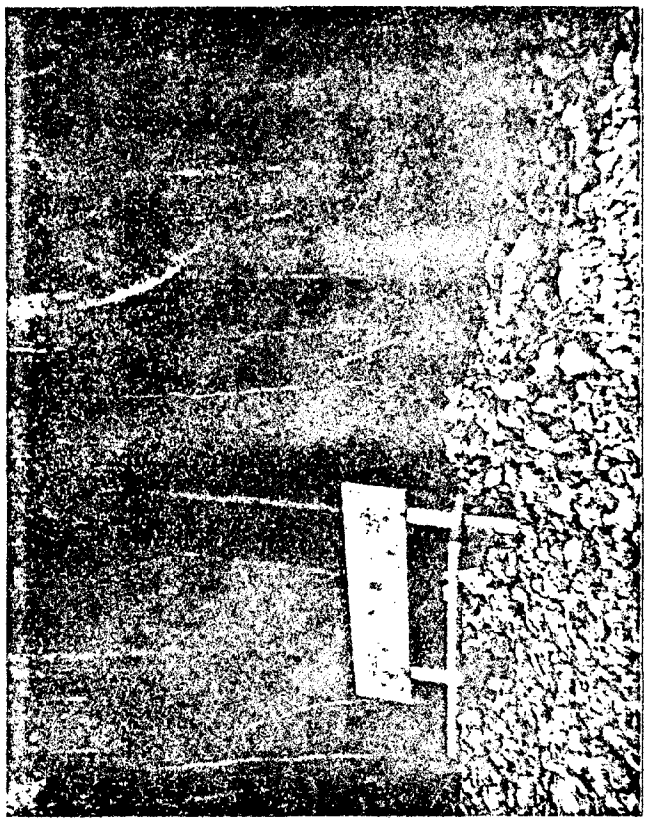
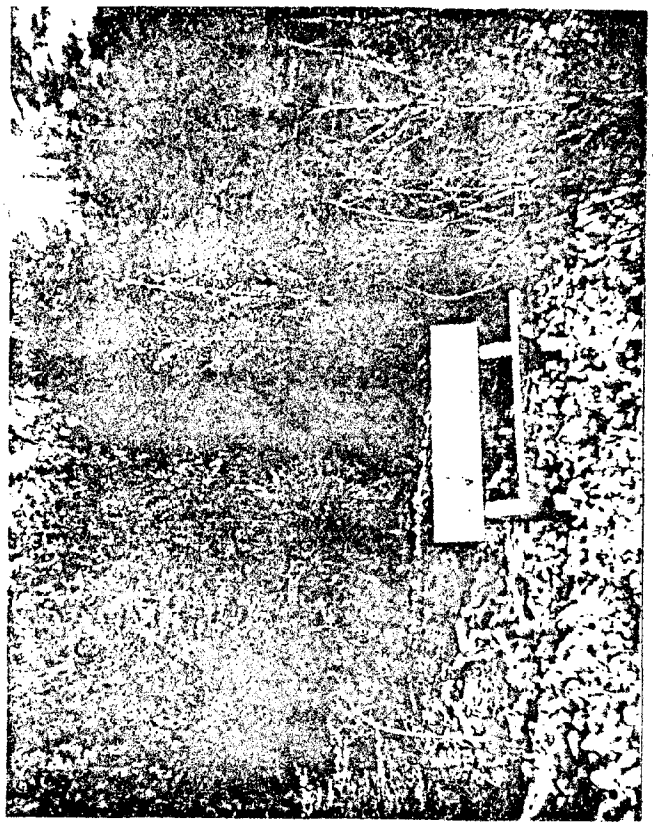
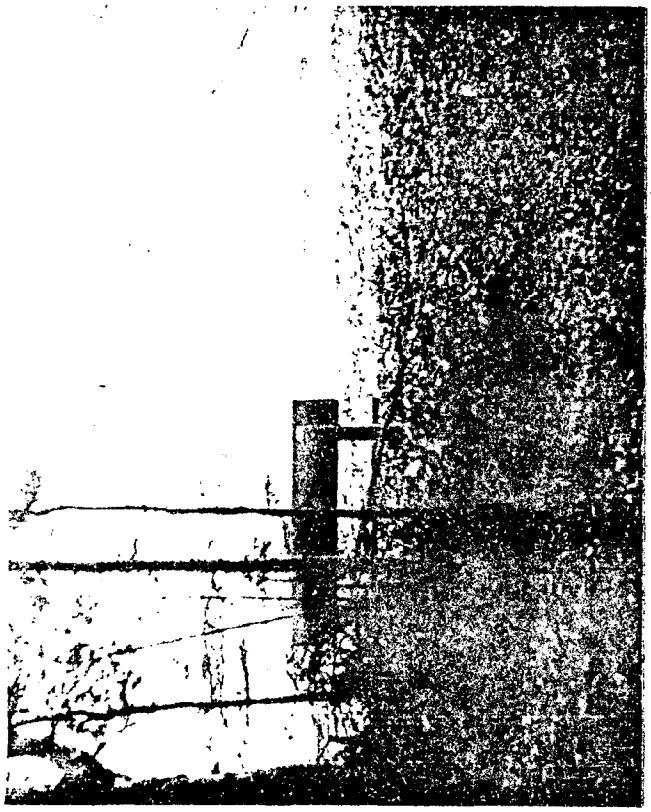
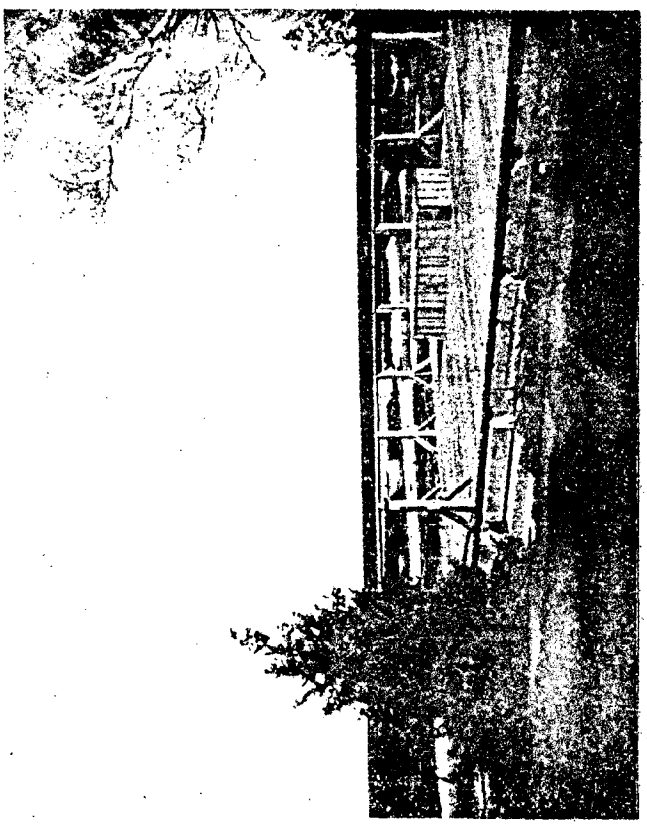
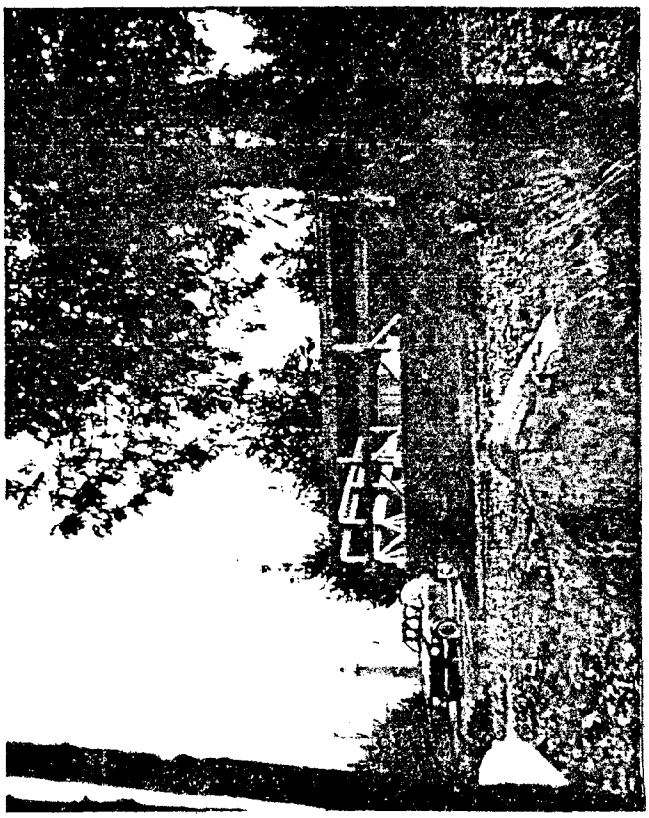






Presque Isle Lighthouse Station
Interpretive Trail Benches 10/83





Interpretive Trail

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Nature Observation Deck 10/83

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