

SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 91000546 Date Listed: 5/15/91

Coopers Rock State Forest Superintendent's House and Garage
Property Name:

County: Monongalia State: WV

Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

for Patrick Anders
Signature of the Keeper

5/22/91
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

The beginning of Period of Significance for this property had to be clarified. The Period of Significance starts with the year that the Superintendent's House was constructed - 1938. This has been confirmed with Michael Pauley of the WV SHPO.

DISTRIBUTION:

National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Coopers Rock State Forest Superintendent's House & Garage

other name/site number: N/A

2. Location

street & number: off U.S. 48, 8 miles east of Morgantown, W.V.

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Morgantown

vicinity: X

state: WV county: Monongalia code: 061 zip code: 26505

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-state

Category of Property: Buildings

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u> </u>	<u>1</u>	structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	objects
<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of relate property listing: Coopers Rock State Forest Historic Resources

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

March 28, 1990
Date

In my opinion, the property ____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. ____ See continuation sheet.

Date _____

Date of
Action

Sub: Same as above

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

See below

Other Description: NPS Rustic Architecture

Materials: foundation Cut Sandstone roof Asphalt shingle, Wood shingle
walls Wood logs other Sandstone porch supports
copper downspouts

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance

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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: State.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A,C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture
Entertainment/Recreation
Landscape Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: 1936 - 1941-42

Significant Dates : 1938 1939 1940

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Civilian Conservation Corps
Camp Rhododendron

State significance of property, and justify criteria, considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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X See continuation sheet. See Section H, pp. 1-3.

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University

X Other -- Specify Repository: West Virginia History and Regional Collection/W.V.U.

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: 6 acres

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>17</u>	<u>604540</u>	<u>4390580</u>	B	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
C	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	D	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Verbal Boundary Description: See continuation sheet.

The front side of the property borders 400 ft. along the N. edge of old SR 73 starting at the point where the Coopers Rock access road meets old SR 73; thence in a line 600 ft. due north; thence in a line 400 ft. due west; thence in a line 600 ft. due south to form a rectangle (see sketch map).

Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.

The boundaries of this property were chosen because the six acres described in the verbal boundary description were cleared and specifically chosen by the CCC to make a residence complex.

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11. Form Prepared By

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Name/Title: Pamela Ball Redmond/Historian

Organization: Coopers Rock Foundation Date: December 15, 1990

Street & Number: 625 Brandon Street Telephone: (304) 296-3013

City or Town: Morgantown State: WV ZIP: 26505

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This residence is symmetrical in composition, two stories high, and is constructed of logs that appear to be poplar. It has two porches (one front/back) made of logs, wood, and sandstone (cut stone). (shot/drilled stone steps.) The S, or front side features two dormers: The windows are 3 over 3. The window frames are wood. NE (back) has one dormer.

The roofing material is asphalt shingles. The sandstone chimney (cut/coursed) is flashed with original copper sheeting. The copper gutters and downspouts are also original. There are two basement windows on either side of the house. The window fenestration is generally 6 over 6; exception being the 3 over 3 dormer windows in front.

The overall dimensions of the house are 35' x 43'. One can enter the basement from the outside by a cellar door. The structural system is log post and beam. There are two wooden doors on the house, front and back; positioned centrally.

The floor plan is also symmetrical in composition. There are four rooms downstairs, divided by a center stairway. The downstairs rooms are used for an office (front, right side); living room (front, left side); dining room (back, right side); and kitchen (back, left side). The upstairs has two bedrooms with a stairway between them. A bathroom is located on the second floor, at the end of the stairs. A pantry is located on the first floor between the kitchen and dining room. A cut sandstone fireplace is located in the living room.

This building sits on a site with one additional contributing building (CCC constructed garage) and three non-contributing buildings (maintenance garage/office; and two large storage buildings) that were constructed post-1942. There is also a non-contributing post-1942 flagpole on the property. The original stone walkway that curves form the driveway to the front stone steps is also in evidence.

Very few changes have occurred to the building itself since it was built between 1938 and 1940. Originally the roofing material was wood shake; now it is asphalt composition. (I was told by a former Camp Rhododendron member, who was a stone mason, that the shakes were made on a shake-cutter machine that looked like a bicycle.) Originally the flagpole was wood and located in front of the house; now it is metal and located beside the maintenance garage/office. The windows were covered with aluminum storm windows in the 1970s. Old-growth rhododendrons were removed from in front of the house in the last 2 years.

The house is in need of repair. The logs appear to be in good condition, but the chinking is in poor condition in several places. Evidently, only one log has been replaced over the years,, due to rotting. (According to Mr. Al Kerns, Superintendent), there is modern type aluminum storm doors on the front and back.

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This property is significant under Criterion A because it is associated with the Civilian Conservation Corps. CCC camp number 3527, Camp Rhododendron, constructed this property. It is significant under Criterion C because the property is constructed in the NPS Rustic Architecture style.

The property is located on the original location, thus it retains its historic integrity of location. The property has been altered minimally since 1938-1940, when it was constructed. It retains construction integrity as well.

The development of state parks and forests during the 1930's represented a change in the way states handled and developed their land holdings. This development changed the patterns of tourism in the state, that even today are visible.

This property represents the Administrative Buildings category property type. This category represents the resources that were used to house administration, or management functions. It demonstrates significance in architecture, because it was built by the CCC, in the Rustic Architecture Style. Recreation significance is demonstrated by the fact that the Coopers Rock State Forest has been used for leisure and sport since its development in the 1930's.

Landscape Architecture significance is attained through the fact that much of the C.R.S.F. is planted with trees that the CCC planted in the Depression-era. In addition, many landscape elements such as walkways, stone walls, etc. were also constructed by the Camp Rhododendron crews.

Conservation significance is demonstrated by the fact that the forest and adjacent lands would have been poorly managed if the CCC had only torn down the trees to build, but would have failed to reforest.

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The garage is symmetrical in composition; one story in height; and is constructed of logs with chinking, and poured concrete. The roof material is now asphalt shingles, but was originally wood shake. There is a door (sliding) on the front with hand made blacksmithed hinges and hardware. One of the door latches is imprinted with large numbers reading "1938."

There are two windows on each side of the garage with six over six fenestration. The building measures approximately 25' x 22' and is positioned to the back side of the Superintendent's House. (Approximately 35 feet behind the house.) There is an additional single window along the rear of the building.

The floor plan is open, but contains the well house for the Superintendent's House. The garage is still being utilized by the Superintendent's family. (They park their personal vehicle in this building.)

This building sits on a site with another contributing building (Superintendent House), and three non-contributing buildings (two large storage buildings and a maintenance garage/office). These non-contributing buildings were constructed post-1942.

Minimal change has occurred since 1938-1940, when the building was constructed. The roofing material was changed from wood shakes to asphalt. This probably was changed in the mid-1970s when all the buildings received new roofing material.

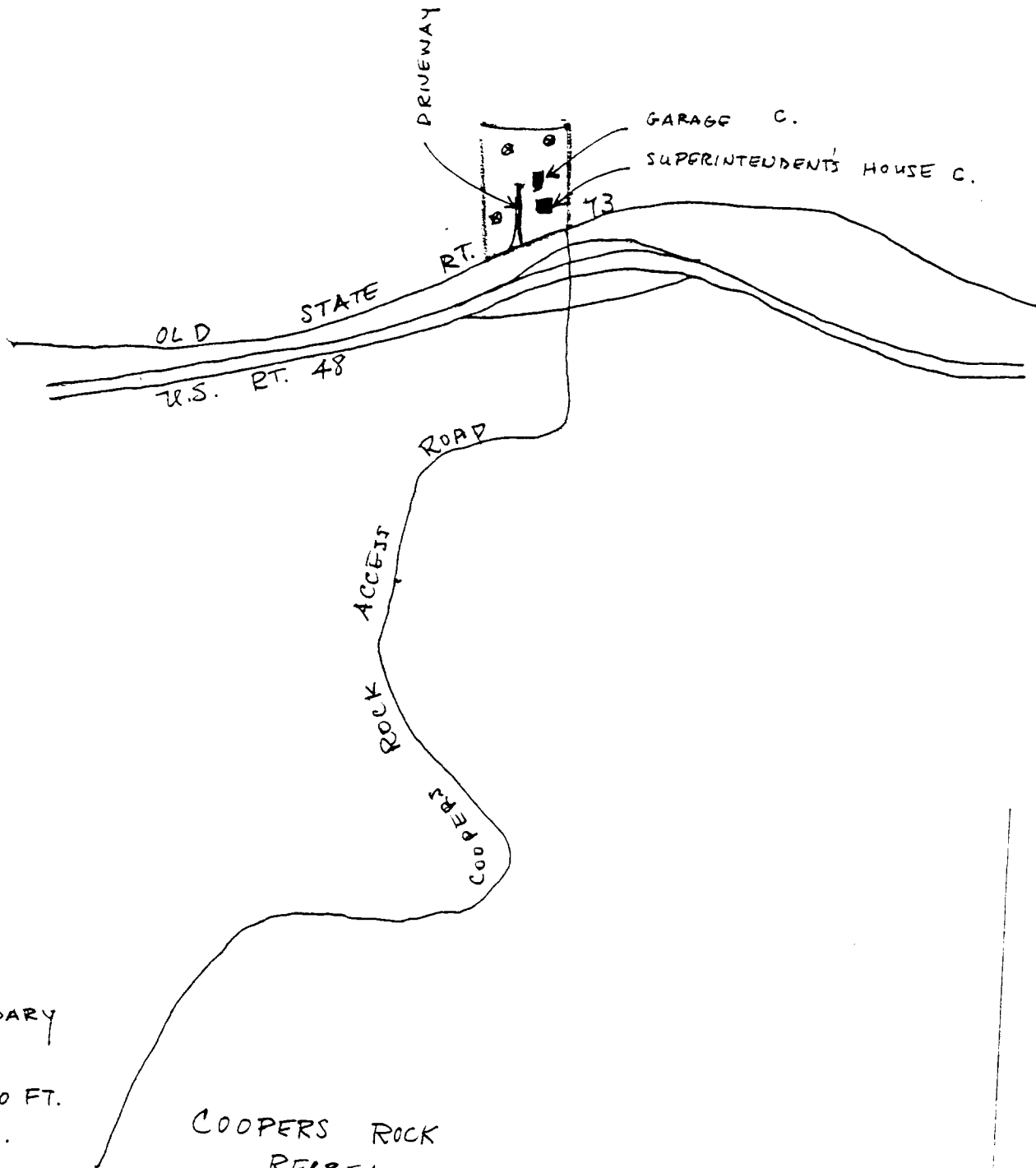
The garage is in good condition. Logs and chinking seem solid. The sliding door is still operational.

COOPERS ROCK STATE

FOREST HISTORIC RESOURCES

SUPERINTENDENTS HOUSE

AND GARAGE

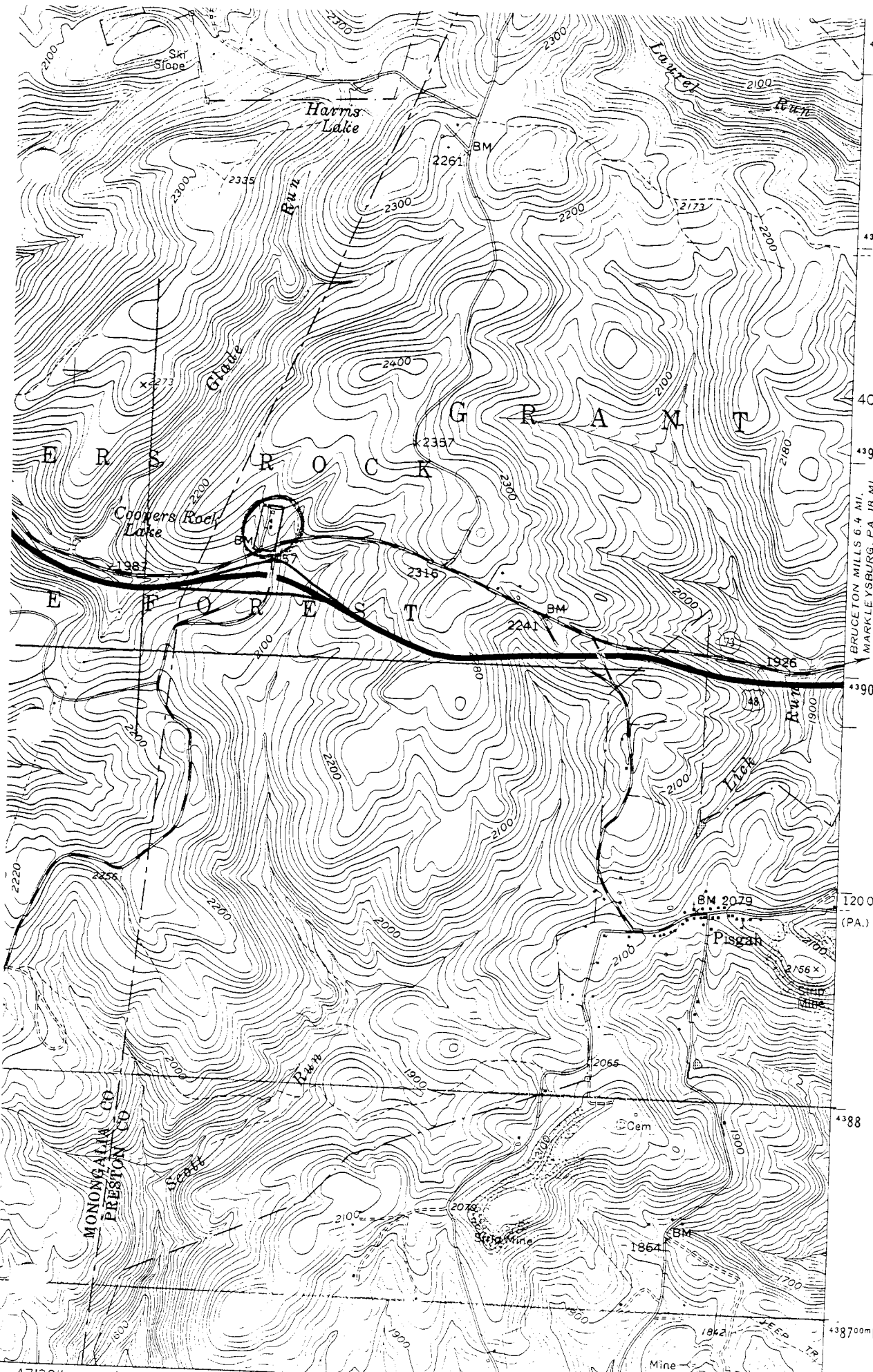


— BOUNDARY

$\frac{1}{4}$ IN. = 200 FT.
APPROX.

⊗ SHEDS = NC
(NONCONTRIBUTING)

COOPERS ROCK
RECREATIONAL COMPLEX
AND OVERLOOK



SUPERINTENDENT'S
CABIN &
GARAGE

BRUCETON MILLS 6.4 MI.
MARKLEYSBURG, PA. 18 MI.

120 000 FEET
(PA.)

4388

4387000N

39°37'30"

79°45'

1:430 000 FEET (PA.)

● INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA—1986
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MONONGALIA CO
PRESTON CO

47'30" 47'33"



