United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in How to Complete National Register Forms
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Mollohan Mill

and/or common

2. Location

street & number County Route 8

city, town Replete

state West Virginia code 54

county Webster code 101

3. Classification

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4. Owner of Property

name Erma M. Mollohan (ERMA MOLL A UN S OPPORTU NITIES)

street & number Route 3, Box 50

city, town Replete

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Webster County Courthouse

street & number General Delivery

city, town Webster Springs

state West Virginia

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

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depository for survey records

city, town

state
Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Mollohan Mill is located on County Route 8 on the left fork of Holly River near the community of Replete, Webster County, West Virginia, in a completely rural and undeveloped environment.

This two story frame gable-roofed grist mill rests on a neatly cut sandstone foundation and projects slightly into the left fork of Holly River. The stone piers on the river side of the mill rest on solid rock in the river allowing water to flow under approximately half of the mill. This area under the mill originally contained two turbine water wheels. The other half of the mill is over crawl space.

The two story mill is constructed of hewn post and beam timber construction with pegged mortise-tenon joints and sawn or hewn diagonal bracing vertical studs, and floor joists. The main support posts are beams 9" x 9" poplar. The exterior is covered with sawn unpainted clapboard and a corrugated metal roof, supported by pole joists, installed in 1912. The original roof was wooden shingles.

The Mollohan Mill is 38 feet long, 23 feet wide, 23 feet high at the side walls and 31 feet to the peak from the bottom of the first floor. The mill has three two over two windows on each side and one on each end of the first floor and the same sequence on the second floor. There are two four-paneled doors on the front of the mill away from the river; one on the first floor and one on the second floor. The door on the second floor has a small rectangular transom over it. Steps to the second floor door were never constructed and the front portion of the second floor was not finished.

The long crib dam, original to the mill, is now gone having been washed away in the flooding of 1953. The forebay still exists but is in need of repair, it was constructed of square logs pinned to solid rock most of which are still embeded in the stream. The forebay regulated the water flow to the two wooden turbine water wheels under the mill one of which remains. The corn and wheat grinding equipment is complete and includes wooden gears, stone burrs and sifters. The Mollohan Mill is, therefore, but little altered from its original, 1894, appearance.
8. Significance

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Specific dates 1894
Builder/Architect Bernard Mollohan, builder

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Mollohan Mill, located near the tiny community of Replete in Webster County, is significant as an excellent example of a nearly unaltered rural grist mill and the associated craftsmanship in central West Virginia, and as being associated with a family significant to Webster County history.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The Mollohan Mill was constructed by Bernard Mollohan, an individual significant to the history of Webster County. Early in life, Mollohan established a local reputation as both a competent builder and surveyor. On May 24, 1860 he was elected the 1st Surveyor for newly formed Webster County and headed up the survey team that surveyed and established the boundaries of the new county. In 1866 Bernard Mollohan was chosen by the Webster County Commission to build Webster County's first courthouse, which he accomplished for a fee of $1,700.00. This two story frame structure stood as the seat of Webster County's government until its destruction by fire in 1888. Mr. Mollohan's services as a surveyor were again called for by the county in 1882 when, due to a boundary dispute with neighboring Nicholas County, he re-surveyed a portion of the county's boundary, which was re-adjusted accordingly. His building of the Mollohan Mill in 1894 was, then, the crowning achievement of a long and eventful career in Webster County.

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Bernard's brother William Mollohan was also significant in Webster County annals. Elected one of the Webster County's first Justices of the Peace in 1860, William formed one of the several infantry companies in 1861 for Union service. Rising quickly to the rank of Captain, William Mollohan was killed at the Battle of Shenandoah Mountain.

Standing in the midst of its rural, pristine natural surroundings, the Mollohan Mill is a significant physical reminder of a largely vanished way of life in America and of noted historical significance to Webster County, West Virginia.
9. Major Bibliographical References

Miller, Sampson Newton, Annals of Webster County, West Virginia, Before and Since

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 5 acres
Quadrangle name Hauser Valley, West Virginia

| UMT References | | |
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Verbal boundary description and justification: Beginning at a point 125' northeast of the northwest corner of mill to a point across Holly River, said point being the far point of the old mill dam; thence 150' northeast, following edge of river, to a point; thence 200' southeast to a point; thence 200' southwest to a point on the edge of the Holly River, thence 50'

11. Form Prepared By

Name: Michael J. Pauley, Historian and
Name: Neil Richardson, Engineering Conservator
Organization: Historic Preservation Unit
Organization: W.V.A. Dept. of Culture and History
Date: July 1, 1982
Street & number: Capitol Complex
Telephone: 304/348-0240
City or town: Charleston
State: West Virginia 25305

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title: Commissioner, W.V.A. Dept. of Culture and History
Date: July 16, 1982

For NPS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
Date: July 16, 1982

Keeper of the National Register
Attest:
Date:

Chief of Registration
Mollohan Mill, Webster County, West Virginia

Sutton, John Davison, History of Braxton County and Central West Virginia, Sutton, W.VA., 1919.
Thompson, R.L., Webster County History-Folklore, Star Printers, Webster Springs, W.VA., 1942.

Geographical Data

Verbal boundary description and justification (Cont'd)
northeast following edge of river to the point of beginning.