

35-CLT-23, Clatsop County, Oregon
Native American Archaeological Sites of the Oregon Coast

NPS Form 10-900 (Rev. 10-90)

OMB No. 1024-0018

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM



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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____

other names/site number 35-CLT-23, Bald Point Site

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2. Location

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street & number _____ not for publication X
city or town Cannon Beach vicinity X
state Oregon code OR county Clatsop code 007 zip code 97110

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

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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 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. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally X statewide _____ locally. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

James Hamrick

July 20, 1997

Signature of certifying official Deputy SHPO
Oregon State Historic Preservation Office

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official _____

Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau

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4. National Park Service Certification

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I, hereby certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register

See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register

See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register

removed from the National Register

other (explain): _____

for Signature of Keeper
Barbara J. Zell

Date of Action

9/10/97

Criteria Considerations

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance: Archaeology: Prehistoric
Ethnic Heritage: Native American

Period of Significance: Late Holocene Precontact

Significant Dates: 570 ± 80 RYBP (AD 1550)

Significant Person: N/A

Cultural Affiliation: Tillamook

Architect/Builder: N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance: 35-CLT-23 is a *shell midden* that may contain the remnants of a housepit. While much of the western site area has been destroyed by coastal erosion and slumping, a previously undocumented remnant of the site located in 1995 (Moss and Erlandson 1995) contains shell midden deposits and a possible architectural feature. A single radiocarbon date for the shell midden in this upper site area indicates it was occupied approximately AD 1550, during the Late Holocene Precontact period. The newly discovered remnants of this important site are relatively well preserved, with very good faunal preservation, and retain their spatial integrity. Thus the shell midden has the potential to provide archaeological data on the structure of coastal environments and resource use patterns during this period, as well as evidence of changes in technology, trade, demography, and other socioeconomic aspects of Tillamook society. These site characteristics suggest that the archaeological deposits at 35-CLT-23 can contribute valuable scientific data relevant to addressing a variety of important research questions falling under Research Topics #1, 3, 4, and 6. By establishing a baseline of Tillamook lifeways in the centuries immediately prior to European contact and colonization, data from 35-CLT-23 may also contribute to the resolution of a number of questions under Research Topic #5. As a tangible link to their past, 35-CLT-23 is also significant to the living descendants of the Tillamook and other Oregon Coast tribes.

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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Minor, Rick (1986) *An Evaluation of Archaeological Sites on State Park Lands Along the Oregon Coast*. Heritage Research Associates Report No. 44. Eugene.

Minor, Rick (1991) *Archaeological Investigations at the Ecola Point Site, Northern Oregon Coast*. University of Oregon, State Museum of Anthropology. Eugene.

Moss, Madonna L. and Jon M. Erlandson (1995) *An Evaluation, Survey, and Dating Program for Archaeological Sites on State Lands of the Northern Oregon Coast*. Department of Anthropology, University of Oregon. Eugene.

Ross, Richard (1976) *Archaeological Survey of State Park Lands along the Oregon Coast*. Department of Anthropology, Oregon State University. Corvallis.

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- 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
- Other

Name of repository: University of Oregon, State Museum of Anthropology

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 10. Geographical Data
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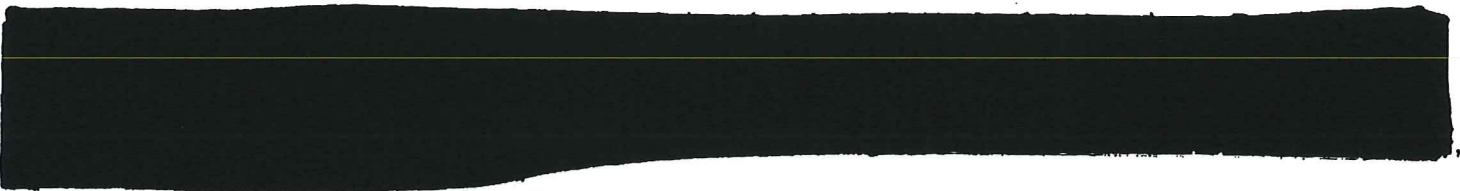
Acreage of Property: 

USGS Quadrangle: 

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Description of Point







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 11. Form Prepared By
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 Property Owner
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 city & state Salem, OR 97310-1001

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meet Oregon State law (ORS 192.501(11)).**

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