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NANTUCKET NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Nantucket County, Massachusetts

ANNUAL NARRATIVE REPORT

Calendar Year 1985

NANTUCKET ISLAND NWR

This refuge consists of 40 acres at the northern tip of Nantucket Island, commonly known as Great Point. The Coast Guard transferred the land to the Service in 1975, and retained the right to operate an existing navigational light tower. In March 1984, this lighthouse was destroyed during a storm; the Coast Guard planned on erecting a metal tower with a navigational light in its place. However, through the efforts of the senior United States Senator, an appropriation was received to construct a stone and concrete lighthouse to replace the destroyed lighthouse.

Public Law 98-557 was passed, providing an additional Coast Guard budget appropriation of \$2,000,000 for the reconstruction of the light in its original form. The proposed reconstruction of the light will mitigate the loss of this historic object located in the Nantucket National Historic Landmark District.

A Special Use Permit (NAT-85-02) was issued in July to cover the reconstruction of the lighthouse, in accord with specifications and procedures reviewed and approved by the Service and the State.

The main contractor is Hydra Dredge Corporation out of New Bedford, Massachusetts. Actual work started on December 2, 1985 with the clearing of the site, and the driving of steel sheet piling. Adverse weather precluded any further work through the end of the year.

The U. S. Coast Guard representative for this project is Mr. Wayne Webster, Norfolk, Virginia. Tentative completion date will be in the early spring of 1986.

-- And we thought we had lost a lighthouse!!!

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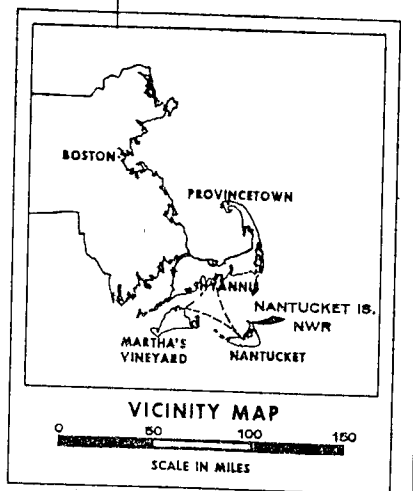
UNITED STATES
FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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Great Point
Lighthouse

A T L A N T I C



41° 22'30"

N A N T U C K E T

S O U N D

O C E A N

HEAD OF THE HARBOR

H A R B O R

Wyers Pt

Wauwinet

41°20'00"

Pocomo Head

Pocomo

Meadow

Squam Swamp

Squam

15' N

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MAINTAINED BY U.S.G.S. AND U.S.F.A.W.S.

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