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DATA SHEET

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

*\*\*\**  
Takli Island Archeological District

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Shelikof Strait, Katmai National Monument

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF *Kavataak*

STATE

Alaska

CODE

03

COUNTY

Bristol Bay Div.

CODE

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

**4 AGENCY**

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

National Park Service, Pacific Northwest Region

STREET & NUMBER

523 Fourth and Pike Building

CITY, TOWN

Seattle

VICINITY OF

STATE

Washington 98101

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE Revised Archeological Site Survey Sheets for Katmai National Monument  
and Surrounding Areas by Don E. Dumond

DATE

1971

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

National Park Service, Pacific Northwest Region

CITY, TOWN

Seattle

STATE

Washington 98101

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The district consists of Takli Island and two smaller islets [REDACTED].  
[REDACTED] Surveys have recorded 11 archeological sites on the islands.

The archipeligo sits [REDACTED]. Vegetation is characterized by grassy areas and alder/willow thickets.

The sites are described individually below:

- 49 Mk12: Consists of two occupation areas, [REDACTED]. Site marked only by a midden deposit, measuring approximately 30 by 50 yards. The surveyors noted this as a very rich site with material dating from around 4,000 to 1,000 B.C.
- 49 Mk13: A small area of midden, about 1½ feet deep and 3 by 10 yards in extent.
- 49 Mk14: Four house depressions and a midden deposit. Site is about 1,300 square yards in extent.
- 49 Mk15: Consisted of a few artifacts washed out [REDACTED].
- 49 Mk16: A few house depressions noted here.
- 49 Mk18: A few artifacts which washed out [REDACTED] this site.
- 49 Mk20: Described as having a deep cultural deposit, but no other details provided.
- 49 Mk21: Described by surveyors only as a low midden heap.
- 49 Mk22: A few scattered artifacts on the beach of a narrow isthmus.
- 49 Mk23: Described only as [REDACTED].
- 49 Mk24: A substantial site with a deep midden deposit and house depressions.
- 49 Mk25: A small lens of cultural material exposed [REDACTED].

The University of Oregon conducted test excavations at sites 12, 14, and 20. The results have been presented in summary form, but not in detail. The artifacts and features were grouped into a number of cultural components:

Takli Alder Phase (4,000 to 1,000 B.C.): Projectile points, bifaces, and scrapers of chipped basalt or chalcedony. Sites were coastal middens and at least one had indications of semi-permanent dwellings.

Takli Birch Phase (1,500 to 800 B.C.): Both chipped and ground stone artifacts. Coastal midden sited with semi-permanent dwellings.

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(Continuation Sheet)

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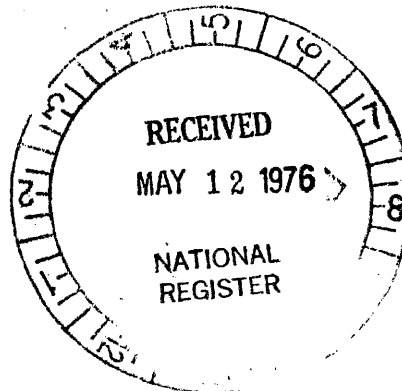
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7. (Continued)

Takli Cottonwood Phase (A.D. 200 to 500): Chipped and ground stone artifacts plus finer tempered pottery. One square house, 5 meters on a side, excavated

Very little work has been done, and that incompletely reported, and it is difficult to characterize the archeological resources of the district in other than very general terms. The remains resemble those from the Naknek drainage across the peninsula and are doubtless those of prehistoric Eskimo. There are no salmon streams on the islands, and the sites seem to be situated to exploit the abundant sea mammal populations of the locale. At least some of the sites had substantial, subterranean houses suggesting regular use at set seasons of the year.

Several of the sites have been eroded by high surf but are otherwise undisturbed.



# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The excavations within the district, when added to the results of work at the nearby Kukak, Kaguyak, and Kafliia sites, have resulted in the formulation of a 6,000 year long cultural sequence. At present, we know little more than the dates, characteristic artifact assemblage, and general cultural affiliations of the sequence's component phases. The sites have the potential to provide further information about this long occupation. Data on settlement and subsistence patterns, specific relationships to other regions and other areas of inquiry could be sought.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"A Summary of Archaeology in the Katmai Region, Southwestern Alaska," by D. E. Dumond, University of Oregon, Anthropological Papers No. 2, 1971

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2,500 *see enclosed sheets*

UTM REFERENCES

A                                   
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING  
 C                                 

B                                   
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING  
 D                                 

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

National Park Service

DATE

September 5, 1975

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CITY OR TOWN

Seattle

STATE

Washington 98101

# 12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

*Deputy William Chamber*  
 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is  National  State  Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE

*Deputy Assistant Secretary*  
 Deputy Assistant Secretary

DATE MAY 3 1976

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST

*Walter Cole*  
 WALTER COLE  
 SUPERVISOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

5-23-78

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

5-12-78