

S.S. Chanslor Wreck 1919

STATE OF OREGON INVENTORY
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State Historic Preservation Office
Oregon State Parks, Salem, OR 9731



County CURRY

Theme #6 Commerce & Industry
(a) Transportation

Name
(Common) S.S. Chanslor (Wrecksite)

(Historic) Same

Address Mouth of Sixes River (N)

Present Owner State of Oregon

Address _____

Original Use _____

Date of Construction _____

Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

Description: Wrecksite, no remains visible above waves. Historic photo attached.

Significance: This maritime disaster occurred December 18, 1919 with a loss of 36 of the 39 man crew. Dense fog and strong currents drove her off course and into the jagged rocks north of Cape Blanco just north of the mouth of Sixes River. Hearing the distress signal Edward Hughes arrived at the scene first while his brother James, lightkeeper at the Cape, was not aware of the tragedy. The tanker perched precariously on a rock for a while. With the crew gathered for coffee in the galley located in the stern, she broke in half and the aft section sank immediately. The cloistered crew had no chance of escape. The bow portion was visible for many years but finally rusted away.

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Recorded by Patrick Masterson Date 5/83

Sources consulted (continue on back if necessary):

J. Gibbs, "Sentinels of the North Pacific", 1955;

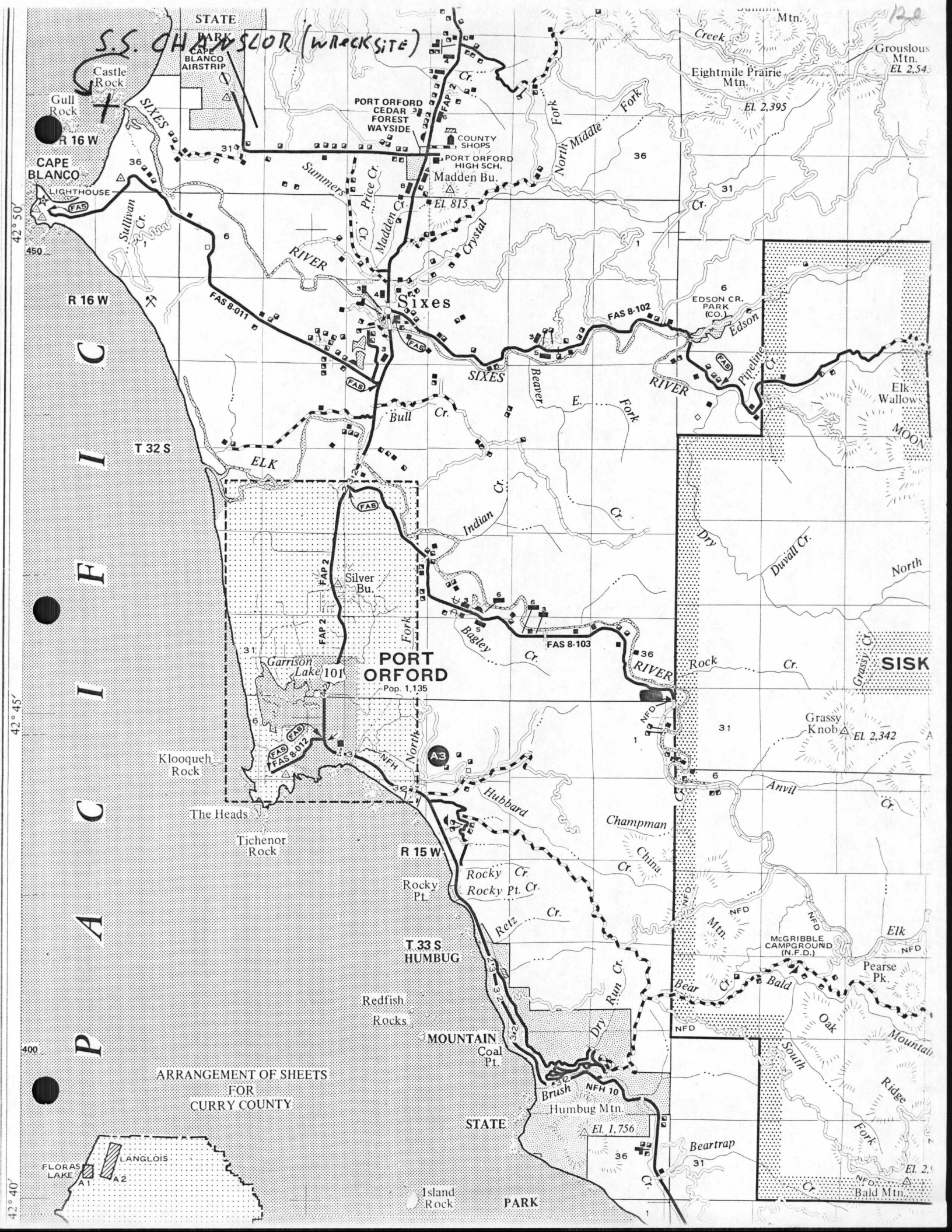
J. Gibbs, "Shipwrecks of the Pacific Coast"

Newspaper accounts and personal interviews

Aerial Sheet #7; Assessor's Map #31-16

Please enclose map. Township 31 ^N _S 16 ^E _W Section _____

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S.S. OHAWSLOR (WRECK SITE)

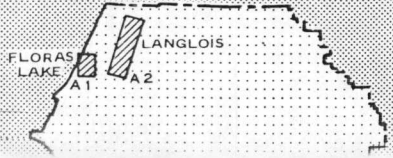
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42° 45'

42° 40'

PACIFIC

ARRANGEMENT OF SHEETS FOR CURRY COUNTY



Island Rock

PARK

Grouslow Mtn. El. 2,540

Eightmile Prairie Mtn. El. 2,395

MOON

SISK

Elk

El. 2,000

PORT ORFORD CEDAR FOREST WAYSIDE
COUNTY SHOPS
PORT ORFORD HIGH SCH.
Madden Bu.
El. 815

PORT ORFORD
Pop. 1,135

R 15 W
T 33 S
HUMBUG

MOUNTAIN
Coal Pt.

STATE

6
EDSON CR. PARK (CO.)

Garrison Lake 101

Klooqueh Rock

Tichenor Rock

Redfish Rocks

Brush
Humbug Mtn.
El. 1,756

Beartrap

McGRIBBLE CAMPGROUND (N.F.D.)

Pearse Pk.

Oak

Mountain

Ridge

Fork

Bald Mtn.

N.F.D.

Dry

Duwall Cr.

North

Rock

Cr.

Grassy C.

Anvil

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Champan

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