


OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 719 CENTER ST					City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 27 N		Longitude: 122 36 20 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 40	Lot: All	Map #: 22E31AB	Tax Lot #: 1300
Date of Construction: 1849		Historic Name: Barclay, Dr. Forbes, House			Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling			Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Classical Revival				Plan Type/Shape: Rectangle		Number of Stories: 1.5
Foundation Material: Stone				Structural Framing: Hewn frame		Moved? Yes
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle				Window Type/Material: 12/12 and 8/8 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Clapboard				Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Rear porch enclosed early						
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None						
Integrity: Excellent Condition: Good			Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? Yes	
<div>Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district</div> <div>Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old</div>						
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:						
One of a handful of houses in Oregon from the 1840s, the Barclay House is a minimal Classical Revival with a full-width porch. It is 1-1/2 stories side gabled, and eaveless. Its most prominent feature is the porch with square, full-height, chamfered columns with simple capitals. The front door is flanked by side lights and topped by a transom. The windows are 12/12 wood double-hung with thin muntins and sash. The rectangular building rests on a foundation of mortared stone.						
Statement of Significance:						
Forbes Barclay was a Scottish-born physician (1812-1873), employed by the Hudson's Bay Company in 1839 and sent to Fort Vancouver on the Columbia River in 1840. He met and married Maria Panbrum there in 1842. He built this house in Oregon City just prior to his retirement from Hudson's Bay Company and settled in the town for the remainder of his life. He served as physician for local settlers and townspeople, and served as Clackamas County coroner, City School Superintendent, Oregon City mayor, and city councilman. The house is reported to have cost \$17,000, a high price attributed to the shortage of labor in the area due to the discovery of gold in California. In 1974, this property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.						

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