

Fall City Hop Shed Chronology (Fall City Historical Society)

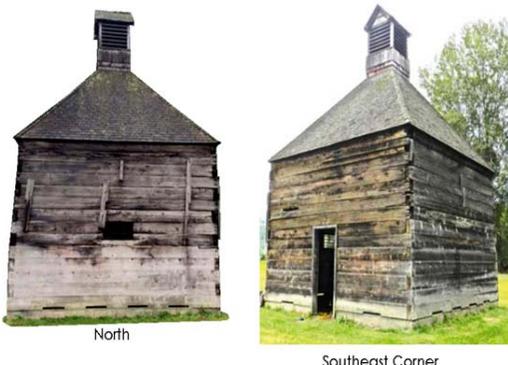
- 1888** Built by George Davis Rutherford near the Snoqualmie River slightly upstream from Fall City, for ease of loading on steamboat.
- 1904** A shortened form of the building, suitable for storage, was sold to Jack Bush and moved to its current location. (For centuries, this land at the confluence of the Raging River and the Snoqualmie River was an important village site for the Snoqualmie People.) It weathered in place, with lower timbers rotting, for about 90 years.
- 1978** King County purchased the former Bush property to build a community park.
- 1982** King County Landmark status granted.
- 1991** Due to deterioration over the years, the Hop Shed was close to being torn down. The Fall City Hop Shed Foundation was formed to explore restoration work. A report was commissioned from Greg Watson, to provide both detailed history and recommendations for restoration. In 1995, grant approved to fund two years of extensive restoration work, including restoring the height to nearer its original state.
- 1997** Open House held at Hop Shed to celebrate the completion of the restoration work.
- 2016** Hop Shed Assessment by Regional expert Harrison Goodall, funded by KC Preservation grant. Recommendations were included for the stabilization and preservation of the building.
- 2017** Grant application to KC Preservation to carry out stabilization and preservation measures recommended by Goodall Assessment. Only preservation costs (application of borate and water repellent to outside of building) were approved.
- 2019** Second application submitted for stabilization and preservation measures. Not funded.



Before 1990s restoration.



After 1990s restoration.



North

Southeast Corner

Photos from 2016 Hop Shed Assessment

Left: this view from the north shows that the building has shifted, allowing rainwater from the roof now to directly impact the timbers below.

Right: The upper part of the southeast corner is badly deteriorated, perhaps playing a role in the shifting of the timbers.

Planned repairs will straighten the building and place bracing on the inside of the corners to stabilize building shape.