

Station Parramore Beach, Virginia

Coast Guard Station #154

Location:	On west side of Parramore Island, abreast Horseshoe Lead, 3/4 mile southwest by south of Wachapreague Inlet, and 11 miles north northeast of Hog Island Light
Date of Conveyance	1883
Station Built:	1870
Fate:	Abandoned in 1940.

Remarks:

Parramore Beach Lifeboat Station is located at Parramore Beach, Wachapreague, Accomac County, Virginia, on the Eastern Shore. It is situated on 6.8 acres of land and it was manned by 16 enlisted men. The station was established in 1883 and rebuilt in 1937. The original station building was abandoned in 1940, but the new facility had already taken over operations. After its disestablishment as a lifeboat station, the facility was entrusted to the Nature Conservancy. The Conservatory had purchased most of the island in 1973. The former Coast Guard station was destroyed by fire in April 1989.

Keepers:

Newell B. Rich was appointed keeper on 9 FEB 1884 and resigned on 14 AUG 1891.

John W. Richardson was appointed keeper on 14 AUG 1891 and transferred to Wachapreague Station on 30 OCT 1908.

Henry W. Cobb was appointed keeper on 24 OCT 1908 and left in 1915.

George T. Byrd was appointed keeper in 1915.

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