

Louisiana Pacific/Hammond Lumber Company Collection  
 IDENTIFYING DOCUMENTS IN THE MAPS AND PLANS SERIES

HOW TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF PROJECT OR REFERENCE DOCUMENT

The letter prefix before the document number is a code which indicates the type of project or document. Some codes do not clearly designate a specific type and are marked as “Undetermined.” The following table describes the information available at this time. Few documents were found from the period of Simpson ownership so those are not referenced.

Company Assigned Alphabetical Codes on Maps, Plans, Drawings, Sketches and Blueprints				
CODE	VANCE 1900	HAMMOND 1910	GP 1956	LP 1973
<b>&amp;</b>	Survey-Railroad Right of Way			
<b>A</b>	Mold Patterns	Construction Accounts (post 1927)	Internal Projects (Const. Accts. A-1)	Internal Projects
<b>BP</b>	Blueprint, replaces the term “Tracing”			
<b>C</b>	Castings	UNDETERMINED		
<b>D</b>		Drawing/Tracing/Copy replaces Sk (1939)		
<b>E</b>	UNDETERMINED			
<b>F</b>	UNDETERMINED			
<b>GL</b>		General Ledger Accts.		
<b>H</b>	Roads/Highways			
<b>K</b>	Property Maps			
<b>L</b>	Licensed Land Survey			
<b>N</b>	Negative, Van Dyke-reverse print master			
<b>O</b>	Official Government Maps			
<b>PD</b>	Plans and Drawings			
<b>Q</b>	Map-Logging Operations (Negative)			
<b>S</b>	Survey			
<b>Sk</b>	Sketch i.e. a drawing (D replaces Sk 1939)		Small plans & drawings, Internal Projects	
<b>T</b>	Text, i.e. notes, or publication			
<b>Tracing</b>	Blueprints, any prefix			
<b>U</b>		Original		
<b>V</b>		Map		
<b>W</b>	UNDETERMINED			
<b>X</b>		Map		
<b>Z</b>	Original, other sources			

- “BP” originally referred to blueprints. Few actual blue prints were found and the term appears to refer to large scale drawings and plans. Most of these are Cyanotypes or Dyazotypes.
- “PD” refers to Plans and Drawings, which may be of any size and in any format. The earliest are pen and ink, or pencil on paper.
- “Sk” referred to preliminary sketches or plans during the Hammond period and was replaced by the term “D for large drawings in 1939. The “Sk” continued to be used for small drawings and internal projects in any format.
- Maps may be found in many document categories, and a few may have been reproduced in several formats. The “L” and “O” series include copies of maps acquired from outside sources such as governmental agencies, property owners, or surveyors. The “Q” series includes negative images of maps used to produce multiple copies.

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HOW TO IDENTIFY THE DOCUMENT DATE RANGE

It is possible to establish a date range for any original undated document by comparing the document number with another closely numbered document in the collection. Document numbers were assigned consecutively at the central office, regardless of the letter prefix, beginning with the Vance Redwood Lumber Co. period, under the Vance brothers.

During the later period, plans and drawings were sometimes drawn by staff at other offices. In this case, numbers were assigned by the central office and the drawing was created at a later date. Large sets of documents, for projects with several components, may include original and revised plans drawn on various dates.

Different versions of the same map, plan or drawing may have been created, as preliminary or final drafts, or as negatives for reproduction. Negatives are usually assigned a new document number and date created and may or may not reference the original on which they are based, so it is wise to check the document title or description as well.

<b>Chronology of Maps, Plans, Drawings, Sketches &amp; Blueprints</b>		
<b>EXAMPLE</b>	<b>DATE CREATED</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>
D-81	1901	Vance ( Vance owned)
E 351	1909	Vance (Hammond owned)
C-567	1913	Hammond
D 1281	1922	
C 2143	1927	
PD 2867	1936	
H 3334	1941	
PD 3997	1949	
PD 5198	1959	
PD 5829	1963	
PD 7042	1970	
PD 8270	1981	Louisiana Pacific
PD 8776	1990	Simpson