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Saranac

In 1836, when Saranac was settled, the upper Grand River Valley was a promising but undeveloped area. The soil was fertile; Lake Creek provided water power; and the river was navigable to Grand Rapids. The town grew slowly until 1857, when the coming of the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad made Saranac a shipping center. Local products included such items as flour, lumber, hides, felloes, barrels, and staves. As the forests disappeared, manufacturing declined, and agriculture gradually became the dominant industry.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1969 **Erected Date:** 1970

Marker Location

Address: Main St. near Fuller

City: Saranac

State: MI **ZipCode:** 48881

County: Ionia

Township: Boston

Lat: 42.93138900 / **Long:** -85.20340600

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