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GREEN RIDGE STATE FORST
U.S.G.S.: PAW PAW QUAD
DNR#: NONE

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
GREEN RIDGE STATION

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Carroll Road at Mertew Avenue

CITY, TOWN

__ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	X PUBLIC	__OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
__BUILDING(S)	__PRIVATE	X UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	__PRIVATE RESIDENCE
X SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	X ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	X YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

Green Ridge State Forest

NAME
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
Taylor Avenue

CITY, TOWN
Annapolis Maryland

__ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #:
Folio #:

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
Washington Street

CITY, TOWN
Cumberland

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

On the east slope of Town Hill and lying within a bend of the Potomac River in Green Ridge State Forest is the site of the early 20th century settlement of Green Ridge Station. It is located along Merten Avenue and Carroll Road at the Base of a ridge within the curve of the river.

Green Ridge Station was apparently a community which developed along the Western Maryland Railroad at a point where it crossed the Potomac River and tunneled under a mountain. The village is said to have included a hotel and about a dozen houses. These structures have all been demolished. However, evidence can still be seen of some of the foundations. They are located at the south end of the tunnel.

The Stickpile tunnel, as it is known, is a round arched structure of reinforced cast concrete and was built for a narrow guage railroad. Although no longer in use by the railroad, the tunnel appears to be used by automobile traffic. The tunnel seems to be in good condition although there is spalling of the concrete on both end walls. The tunnel still belongs to the Chessie System.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	X ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	__ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
__1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	X TRANSPORTATION
X 1900- early	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Since nothing remains of Green Ridge Station except for the tunnel, there is little of architectural significance except for the tunnel itself. Some historical importance lies in the fact that a community existed in this place at one time and its relationship with the railroad is worthy of note. Thus Green Ridge Station played a role in the history of the 19th and early 20th century transportation in Maryland. There is some archeological potential in the area which could help to develop the history of Green Ridge Station and the age and use of its buildings.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Paula Stoner and Douglass Reed

ORGANIZATION
Preservation Associates

DATE
February, 1979

STREET & NUMBER
P. O. Box 202

TELEPHONE
(301) 432-5466

CITY OR TOWN
Sharpsburg,

STATE
Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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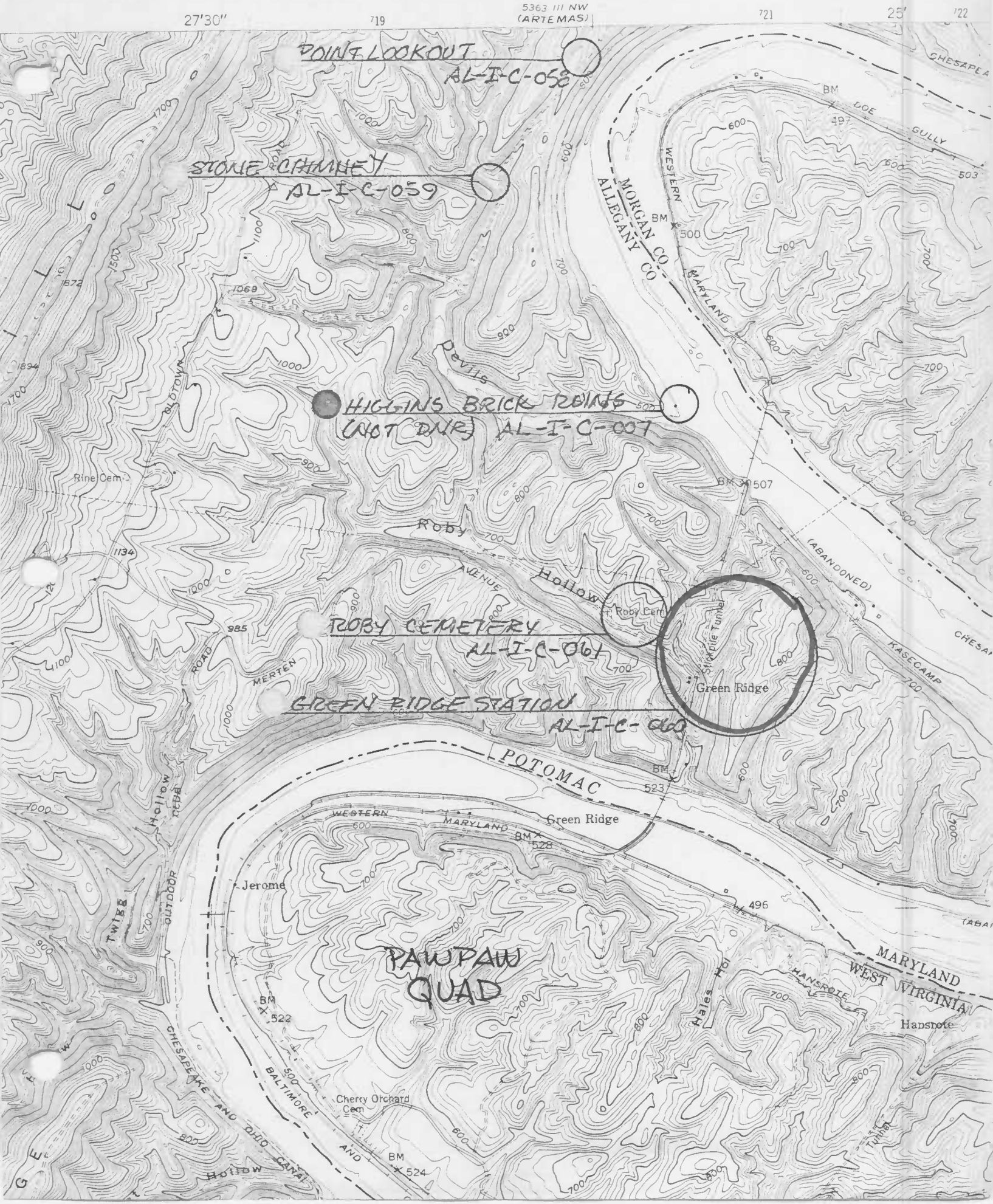

27'30"
719
5363 III NW
(ARTEMAS)
721
25'
722
POINT LOOKOUT
AL-I-C-058
STONE CHIMNEY
AL-I-C-059
HIGGINS BRICK RUINS
(NOT DNR) AL-I-C-007
ROBY CEMETERY
AL-I-C-061
GREEN RIDGE STATION
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PAWPAW
QUAD
MORGAN CO
ALLEGANY CO
WESTERN
MARYLAND
DOE
GULLY
CHESAPEA
Devils
Roby
Hollow
AVENUE
Roby Cem
Stickpile Tunnel
Green Ridge
(ABANDONED)
KASECAMP
CHESA
POTOMAC
Green Ridge
WESTERN
MARYLAND
Jerome
Hales Hol
HANSROTE
MARYLAND
WEST VIRGINIA
Hansrote
Rine Cem
OLDTOWN
ROAD
MERTEN
Twigg
Hollow
OUTDOOR
CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL
BALTIMORE
AND
Cherry Orchard
Cem
Hollow
Tunnel
BM 507
BM 523
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Green Ridge Station & Tunnel

S. View

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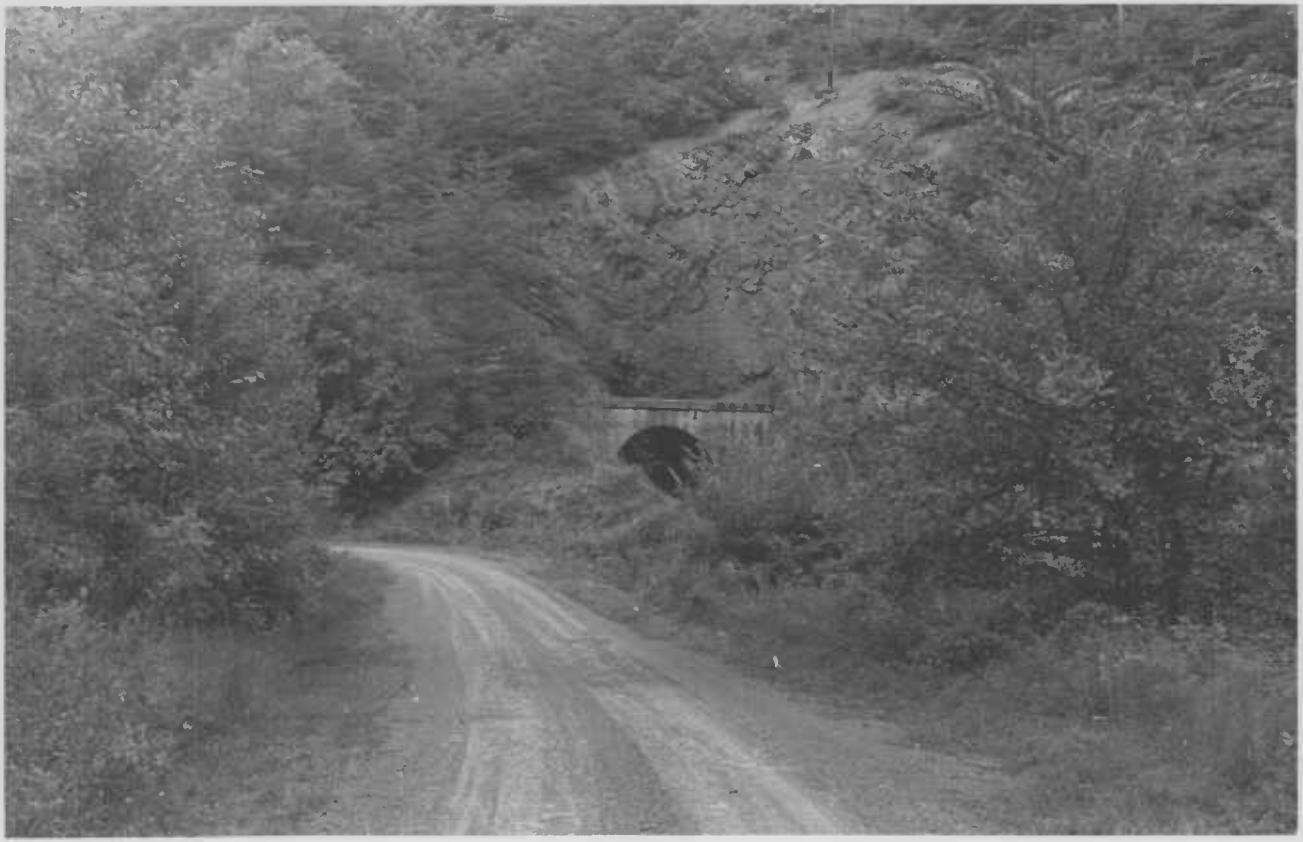

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