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New Hope Farm
Frostburg
Private

Early 19th century

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY NR

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON "New Hope Farm"

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Depot Road, end of road, west side, approx. 3/4 mile NE of Frostburg

CITY, TOWN Frostburg X VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6th

STATE Maryland I COUNTY Allegany County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
_DISTRICT	_PUBLIC	_OCCUPIED	X AGRICULTURE	_MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	X UNOCCUPIED	_COMMERCIAL	_PARK
_STRUCTURE	_BOTH	_WORK IN PROGRESS	_EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
_SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	_ENTERTAINMENT	_RELIGIOUS
_OBJECT	_IN PROCESS	_YES: RESTRICTED	_GOVERNMENT	_SCIENTIFIC
	_BEING CONSIDERED	_YES: UNRESTRICTED	_INDUSTRIAL	_TRANSPORTATION
		X NO	_MILITARY	_OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Enoch W & June E. Price Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER Depot Street

CITY, TOWN Frostburg _ VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 21532

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 478
Folio #: 119

STREET & NUMBER 30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN Cumberland STATE Maryland 21502

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE None

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	X UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
X FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The New Hope Farm is located at the end of Depot Road. The land drops sharply to the north and west, providing a sweeping view towards Mt. Savage.

The east-facing dwelling appears south of a small frame bank barn. The original 1½ story log house is joined by a timber-framed one story section to the north and a vertical-plank section to the south. The latter's shed roof runs perpendicular to the two gabled sections. The east facade's porch is covered by an extension of the main gable roof.

The log wall is exposed and whitewashed under the porch. The north gables are covered with lapped weatherboards. German siding sheaths the frame section's northend. The remaining sides of all sections are covered with board and batten siding.

The building's stone foundation has been almost entirely rebuilt in concrete block. Asphalt shingles cover the roof.

The main entrance in the two bay by one bay log house appears south of center, with the 6/6 sash window south of that. A small gabled dormer lights the south end of the facade's roof, two windows light the south gable end, and one window appears in the north gable. Two 6/6 sash light the west side of the house.

The two bay by one bay north wing includes a four-panel door in the facade's south end. One 6/6 window adjoins that, and another appears at the rear. Only an attic window pierces the north gable end. A concret block stove-flue chimney appears at the south end of the rear.

The two bay by one bay plank addition extends east and west beyond the log house. A door opens into the north side of the east extension under the porch. 6/6 sash windows framed in plain flat boards light the other bays.

Cellar entrances are located under the center of the log section's rear and under the plank addition's south side. An exterior stove chimney may have originally heated the south end of the log house.

Beaded board walls partition the rooms. The main entrance architrave is trimmed in a small ovolo molding - the only surviving trim. Beaded batten doors appear throughout the house.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	X AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
X 1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Scharf, History of Western Maryland. pp. 1476-7.

Allegany Co. Records (see title search)

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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

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