

CAPSULE SUMMARY
BA-2446
Surgy House
10836 Philadelphia Road
White Marsh, Baltimore County
1927
Private

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The Surgy House is a one-and-a-half-story, three-bay-wide Craftsman style bungalow of wood frame construction on a solid rock-faced concrete block foundation. The building, which is clad in vinyl siding, features an asphalt shingle-clad hipped roof and interior rock faced concrete block chimney. The three-bay-wide inset porch has been altered by the replacement of the original porch supports with round metal posts spanned by a metal balustrade. The façade, or southeast elevation, features an offset sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door flanked by two 1/1 vinyl windows. A small hipped-roof dormer clad in vinyl siding and pierced by one two-light sliding vinyl window projects from the roof. All façade openings have vinyl surrounds and sills. The rear of the dwelling is marked by a deep inset porch. Also located on the property are two late 20th century garages and one circa 1980 prefabricated metal shed.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other Surgy House

2. Location

street and number 10836 Philadelphia Road not for publication

city, town White Marsh vicinity

county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Harold E. Stewart, Jr.

street and number 10836 Philadelphia Road telephone Not Available

city, town White Marsh state MD zip code 21162

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 7944 folio 615

city, town Towson tax map 72 tax parcel 886 tax ID number 1119085025

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<u>3</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<u>1</u> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<u>3</u> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<u>1</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			<u>1</u>

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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Also located on the property are two garages and one prefabricated metal shed. The one-story, circa 1990 cinderblock garage has a side gable roof clad in asphalt shingles and two sash-and-paneled roll-up metal doors.

The circa 1995 garage is a wood frame building clad in vinyl siding with a concrete pier foundation and a front gable roof clad in asphalt shingles. The façade is pierced by one double-leaf sliding vinyl door.

The circa 1980 shed is a one-story, one-bay square structure with a front gable roof. The entire building is clad in standing seam metal. The façade, or southeast elevation, is pierced by one doorway. The door is missing.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates 1927-present **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates 1927

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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Prior to the organization of state authorized turnpike commissions, several county-organized turnpikes and postal roads existed in various parts of the county.¹ The Baltimore and Havre de Grace Turnpike Company was organized in 1814, when several organizers, including men from Baltimore and Havre de Grace agreed to sell capital stock for a total of \$60,000. The charter even included provisions for the permission of the state government to purchase the road after fairly compensating the turnpike company for it.² By 1850, this road was known as the Philadelphia Turnpike. Upon the road's release by the turnpike company, it was finally renamed Philadelphia Road.

By 1850, the area of Philadelphia Road between its current intersections with Cowenton Avenue and Joppa Road was only sparsely developed. In the mid-19th century, this area was still marked by extensive agricultural lands that were traversed by the turnpike.³ By 1877, Cowenton Avenue was still an unimproved road, and this stretch of Philadelphia Road was still largely agrarian, although a few more dwelling had been constructed since 1850. Family names common throughout this area included Pinkerton, Smith, and Canoles.⁴ Since 1915, several more dwellings were constructed along Philadelphia Road between Joppa and Cowenton.⁵ Nevertheless, this area has retained its rural character through the late 20th century. The late 20th century construction of Interstate 95 nearly parallel with Philadelphia Road has alleviated congestion from through-traffic along the surface road and enabled the community to maintain its character.

¹ William Hollifield, *Difficulties Made Easy: History of the Turnpikes of Baltimore City and County* (Cockeysville, MD: Baltimore County Historical Society, 1978), p. 2.

² Hollifield, p. 81.

³ J.C. Sidney, *Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original Surveys* (Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850).

⁴ *Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland* (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877).

⁵ *Map of Baltimore County* (Philadelphia, PA: G. W. Bromley, 1915).

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The bungalow form was disseminated in the early 20th century by the architectural designs and publications of Gustav Stickley. The Craftsman style bungalow was quickly popularized through architectural pattern books published by architectural and building firms like Sears, Roebuck, and Company in the 1920s. These publications espoused the use of mass produced materials for fast and easy construction of homes, thus resulting in the construction of this type of building throughout suburban America in the 1920s. With increased popularity, the bungalow was then adapted to incorporate aspects of other architectural styles popular in the early 20th century, most notably the Colonial Revival style.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property .10 Acre
Acreage of historical setting Unknown
Quadrangle name White Marsh

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction in 1927, the Surgy House has been associated with the .6 acre known as tax parcel 886 of map 72 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

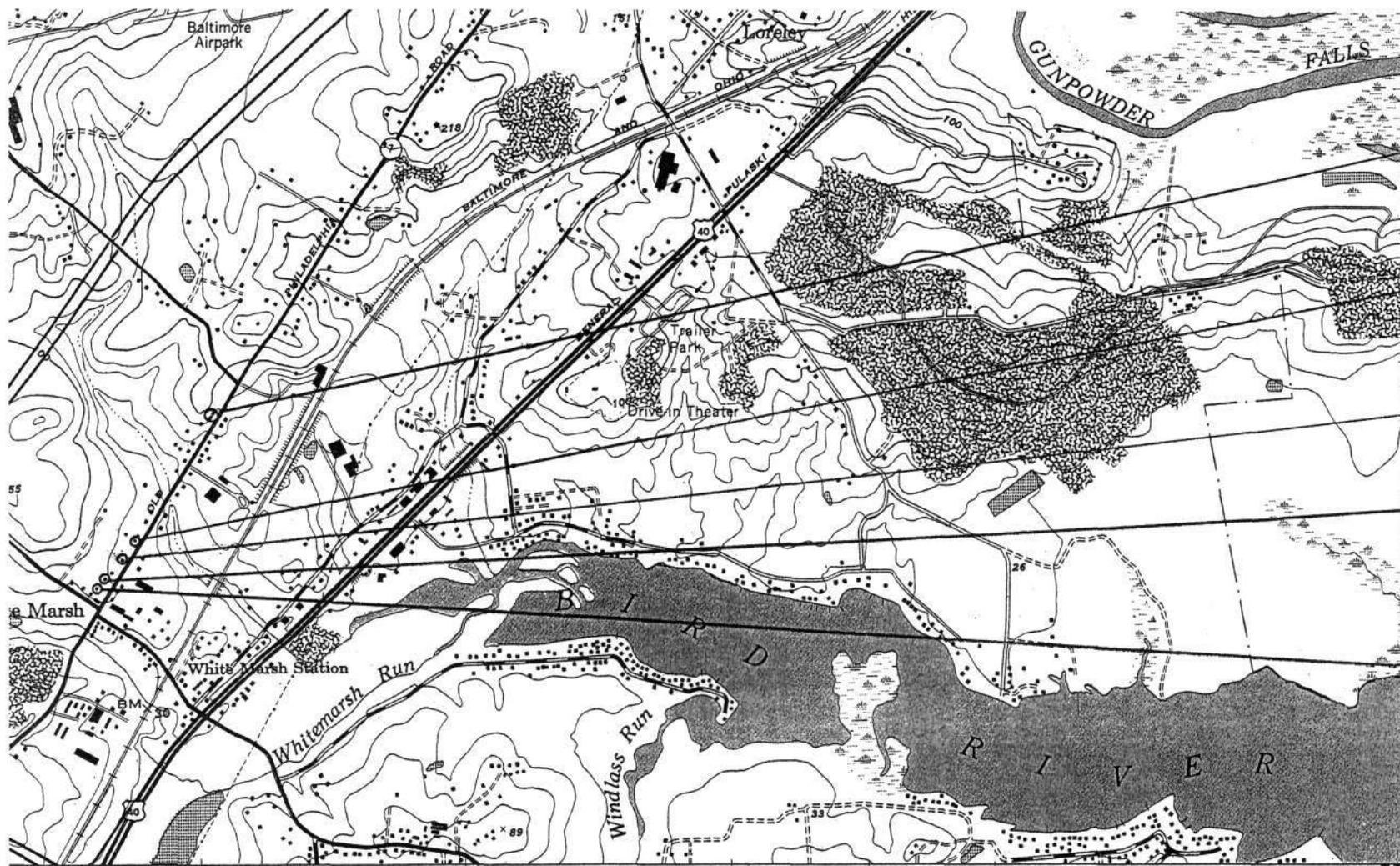
11. Form Prepared by

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organization	EHT Tracerics, Incorporated	date	May 2, 2001
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city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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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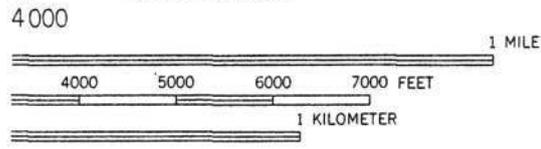
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WHITE MARSH
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POPLAR 2 MI. BALTIMORE 12 MI. CHASE 3 MI. HAREWOOD 4.4 MI. 379000m.E. 39° 22' 30" 76° 22' 30" INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA—1987



SCALE 20 FEET
VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

Revisions shown in purple and woodland compiled by the Geological Survey from aerial photographs taken 1982 and other sources. This information not field checked
Map edited 1986

WHITE MARSH, MD.
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PHOTOREVISED 1986
DMA 5762 IV NW—SERIES V833

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SURGY HOUSE - 10822 Philadelphia Road, White Marsh.
One-story bungalow, three bays wide, with hip roof.
Foundation of rock-faced concrete block. Full-width front
porch with modern wrought iron railings. Aluminum wall
covering. Shown as Edward Surgy's on "House Numbers" map.