

Inventory Numbers: ~~CE-300~~, CE-300-B, CE-300-C
Beers Complex
Cecil County, MD
C. Mazurek
June 1998
Section 7.1

Addendum

The Beers Complex is located in Cecil County, within the Fair Hill N.R.M.A., and to the east of the Big Elk Creek Covered Bridge. It is situated right on the Management Area dirt access road, on a hillside overlooking the Big Elk Creek.

The Beers house (CE-300) is a rental property by the Department of Natural Resources and is in excellent condition. Since the last survey was completed in 1978-1979 the exterior structure has remained the same, with the exception of the front porch posts. The old wood posts, the bottom half a squared shape and the upper half a rounded shape with a doric capital, have been replaced with completely squared wood posts with straight brackets at the top.

The Beers Smokehouse (CE-300-B) has lost it's front batten door with tapered iron strap hinges, however it may still be located on the property somewhere. The gable roof is intact and keeps the rain out of the understructure. Some of the vegetation around the Smokehouse has been allowed to grow too close to the foundation and stone retaining wall, but it has not yet led to deterioration.

The Beers Stable and Hayloft/Garage (CE-300-C) are kept in good condition, with no apparent alterations to the exterior of the structures. As with the Smokehouse, vegetation near the Hayloft/Garage has been allowed to grow too close to the foundation.

A wood frame storage barn with sheet metal siding has been constructed just to the east of the Beers House. The rear facade (south) opens up to a wood fenced-in field. This structure is not historic.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC SMOKEHOUSE
 AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Fairhill NRMA, west of Big Elk Creek at covered bridge
 CITY, TOWN Fairhill CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4th
 STATE Maryland VICINITY OF COUNTY Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME State of Maryland, Dept. of Natural Resources Telephone #:
 STREET & NUMBER Tawes State Office Building
 CITY, TOWN Annapolis, VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:
 Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CE-300B

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A small (approximately 12' across the front) stone smokehouse of two levels, built into a bank and facing south. The south elevation has a batten door with tapered iron strap hinges centrally placed at ground level, a square window above with pegged frame (no remaining sash, if there ever was any) and a small lunette, filled in with a stone bearing the date 1868 within a header-brick arch in the gable. The gable roof runs north-south. A stone retaining wall (average height 3') runs to the east, and connects the smokehouse with the foundations of the so-called hayloft to the west (CE-300-C)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1868

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Associated with the Beers farmhouse complex.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

N/A

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

N/A

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

STATE COUNTY

N/A

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

J.H.D. Hnedak

1978-79

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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MARYLAND

5 MASON

AND

4 DIXON

CHESTER CO
CECIL CO
3 LINE

DNR McCLEARY HOUSE
CE-771

BUNTING HOUSE
CE

DNR 83 SCHOOLHOUSE
CE-758

DNR 1617 BARN, FEEDMILL

DNR-28 McMASTER HOUSE
CE-362

DNR-13 HAY LOFT
CE-300-C

DNR-04 FINLEY BARN
CE-301-A

DNR-12 SMOKE HOUSE
CE-300-13

DNR-47 BARN
CE-364-A

DNR-03 CARETAKERS HOUSE

DNR-10 BEERS HOUSE
CE-300-

DNR-45 HOUSE
CE-364

DNR-02 FINLEY HSE
CE-301

DNR-11 BEERS BARN
CE-300-A

DNR-50 NEW COVERED BRIDGE

DNR 03, 93, TRACK STRUCTURES
CE-552

DNR-01 COVERED BRIDGE
CE-238

DNR-103 CLUB
CE-75

DNR-77 HOUSE
CE-544

DNR 90-102 TRACK STRUCTURES
CE-552

DNR 51 HOUSE

DNR 53 STABLES

DNR 56 STONE HOUSE
CE-363

DNR 64 STONE STABLES
CE-366

SCOTT MILL DAM

TYSON HOUSE
RUINS
CE-527

GAYLEN HOUSE
RUINS
CE-517

HOUSE RUINS

COVERED BRIDGE
SITE
CE-516

SCOTT MILL RUINS
CE

NEWARK
WEST
QUAD.

CE-300B

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Smoke House Beers

1976 CE-300

Fair Hill, MD.

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