

CARR-1235

1917-1919

Power Plant Office

Public

Springfield Hospital Center

Sykesville

The Power Plant Office was constructed as part of the water filtration plant between 1917-1919. The building is a one story brick structure with a hipped roof and a large cement foundation.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Filtration Plant

and/or common Power Plant Office

2. Location Springfield Hospital Center

street & number _____ not for publication

city, town Sykesville _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district 6

state Maryland _____ county Carroll

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: Hospital

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

name Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

street & number 201 West Preston Street telephone no.: 301-225-6816

city, town Baltimore _____ state and zip code Maryland 21201

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex, Rm G-8 liber

street & number 55 North Court Street folio

city, town Westminster _____ state Maryland 21157

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____

date _____ federal state county local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

The Power Plant office has been named several different appellations, the most recent being the Shower Room and the historic name and function of the building being the Filtration Plant. Regardless of its name, the one story building is located east of the maintenance department Building. Constructed of stretcher bond brick, the building measures three bays wide and six bays deep. A slate hipped roof covers the building and a cement foundation supports the building.

The fenestration repeats a regular pattern. The windows show a 6/6 double-hung sash with stone sills. The jack arch lintels are also constructed of smooth stone and lie flat against the wall. Smaller windows appear on the north face at ground level interrupting the cement foundation. These windows lack any lintels and show a single sash of three panes.

The dominant facade faces west. A raised cement water table surrounds the building. The single wooden door on the west facade displays the same sill and lintel treatment as the windows. The door on the east wall has been bricked over. A boxed cornice is the base for the hipped roof. An additional wooden cornice above the first row of slate projects above the roof.

8. Significance

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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 type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1917 Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The water filtration plant is currently identified as the power plant office. This one story, brick building was the main component of the newly constructed water filtration plant in 1917. Springfield built the filtration plant to update and expand its existent system. The hospital site had experienced such growth in the Men's and Women's Groups not to mention the opening of the Hubner Psychopathic Hospital that the current filtration system became overtaxed. Springfield constructed the new system under supervision of the State Department of Health. An engineer by the name of Dr. John H. Gregory inspected the filtration system and approved it wholeheartedly.

The architecture of the filtration plant reflects similar design choices of other Springfield buildings. The construction materials of brick, smooth stone, and slate tiles, utilized in the filtration plant, also appear on many buildings on the hospital campus. The materials have been retained in good condition including the original windows and doors. The filtration equipment, however, has not been retained because this system was replaced by a more efficient system in 1950.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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	Zone	Easting	Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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