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Benjamin Silver Barn
3646 Harmony Church Road
Darlington vicinity
Private

c. 1856

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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MAGI # 1303995506

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Benjamin Silver Barn

AND/OR COMMON
Moxley Barn

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
3646 Harmony Church Road

CITY, TOWN
Darlington

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
1st

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	X AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	__PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
	X Not applicable	X NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Howard N. Moxley et al.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
3646 Harmony Church Road

CITY, TOWN
Darlington

X VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21034

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC
Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 805
Folio #: 398

STREET & NUMBER
40 So. Main St.

CITY, TOWN
Bel Air

STATE
MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Survey

DATE
c. 1970

__FEDERAL X STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN
Annapolis

STATE
MD

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

The Benjamin Silver Barn is a frame bank barn on a stone foundation dating from the second half of the 19th century, located on the present Moxley farm on Harmony Church Road about one half mile west of Darlington Road (MD 161) in Harford County, Maryland. The main doors of the barn face northeast and a series of extensions from the southwest corner project west toward Harmony Church Road.

The hand-hewn structure of the barn is covered by vertical wood siding and red aluminum siding. The westernmost extension has a concrete block wall over the stone foundation, with a frame section covered by aluminum siding above the concrete block. Two modern silos are located on the north side of the barn.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	X OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		local history

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1856 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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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

Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION DATE

Harford County Dept. of Planning and Zoning September 1982

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE

45 So. Main St. (301) 838-6000, ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN STATE

Bel Air MD 21014

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Form 10-300
(Dec. 1968)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Moxley Bros. Silver barn

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: North side of Harmony Church Road about 0.5 mi. west of Darlington Road

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington

STATE: Maryland | CODE: | COUNTY: HARFORD | CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District ☐	Building ☐	Public ☐	Public Acquisition:	Occupied ☐ (in use)	Yes:
Site ☐	Structure ☐	Private ☐	In Process ☐	Unoccupied ☐	Restricted ☐
Object ☐		Both ☐	Being Considered ☐	Preservation work in progress ☐	Unrestricted ☐
					No: ☐

PRESENT USE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Agricultural ☐	Government ☐	Park ☐	Transportation ☐	Comments ☐	
Commercial ☐	Industrial ☐	Private Residence ☐	Other *(Specify)* ☐		
Educational ☐	Military ☐	Religious ☐			
Entertainment ☐	Museum ☐	Scientific ☐			

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: Howard Moxley

STREET AND NUMBER: Harmony Church Road

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington | STATE: Md. | CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

STREET AND NUMBER: HARFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE 40 S. MAIN ST.

CITY OR TOWN: BEL AIR | STATE: MARYLAND | CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local ☐

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: | STATE: | CODE:

STATE: | COUNTY: | FOR NPS USE ONLY: ENTRY NUMBER | DATE

7. DESCRIPTION

N. R. FIELD SHEET

CONDITION	(Check One) Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed ☐	
INTEGRITY	(Check One) Altered ☐ Unaltered ☐ added to.	(Check One) Moved ☐ Original Site ☐

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (*If known*) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The old Bern Silver barn is vertical siding over hand-hewn timbers over a stone half-story, facing west, for cattle and horses. The barnyard lies south and west of the barn, sloping southwest. Newer animal enclosures and two silos.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

N. R. FIELD SHED

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Pre-Columbian ☐	16th Century ☐	18th Century ☐	20th Century ☐
15th Century ☐	17th Century ☐	19th Century ☐	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)*

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Aboriginal	Education ☐	Political ☐	Urban Planning ☐
Prehistoric ☐	Engineering ☐	Religion/Philosophy ☐	Other *(Specify)* ☐
Historic ☐	Industry ☐	Science ☐	
Agriculture ☐	Invention ☐	Sculpture ☐	
Art ☐	Landscape Architecture ☐	Social/Humanitarian ☐	
Commerce ☐	Literature ☐	Theater ☐	
Communications ☐	Military ☐	Transportation ☐	
Conservation ☐	Music ☐		

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)*

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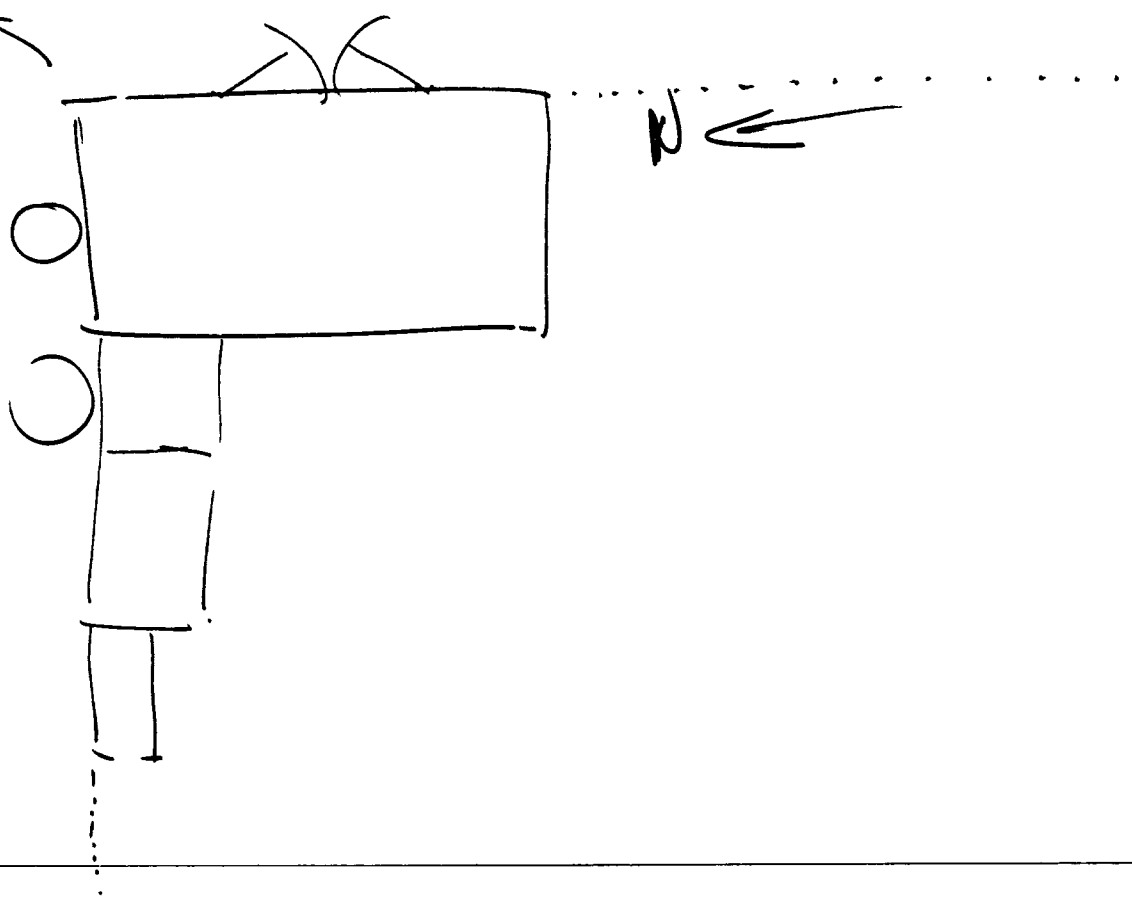
well built and continuously maintained and improved.

to house



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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SW	°	'	"	°	'	"							

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STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JEAN S. EWING

ORGANIZATION: MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST — DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: 50 STATE CIRCLE

CITY OR TOWN: ANNAPOLIS — STATE: MARYLAND — CODE:

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

_____
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

_____
Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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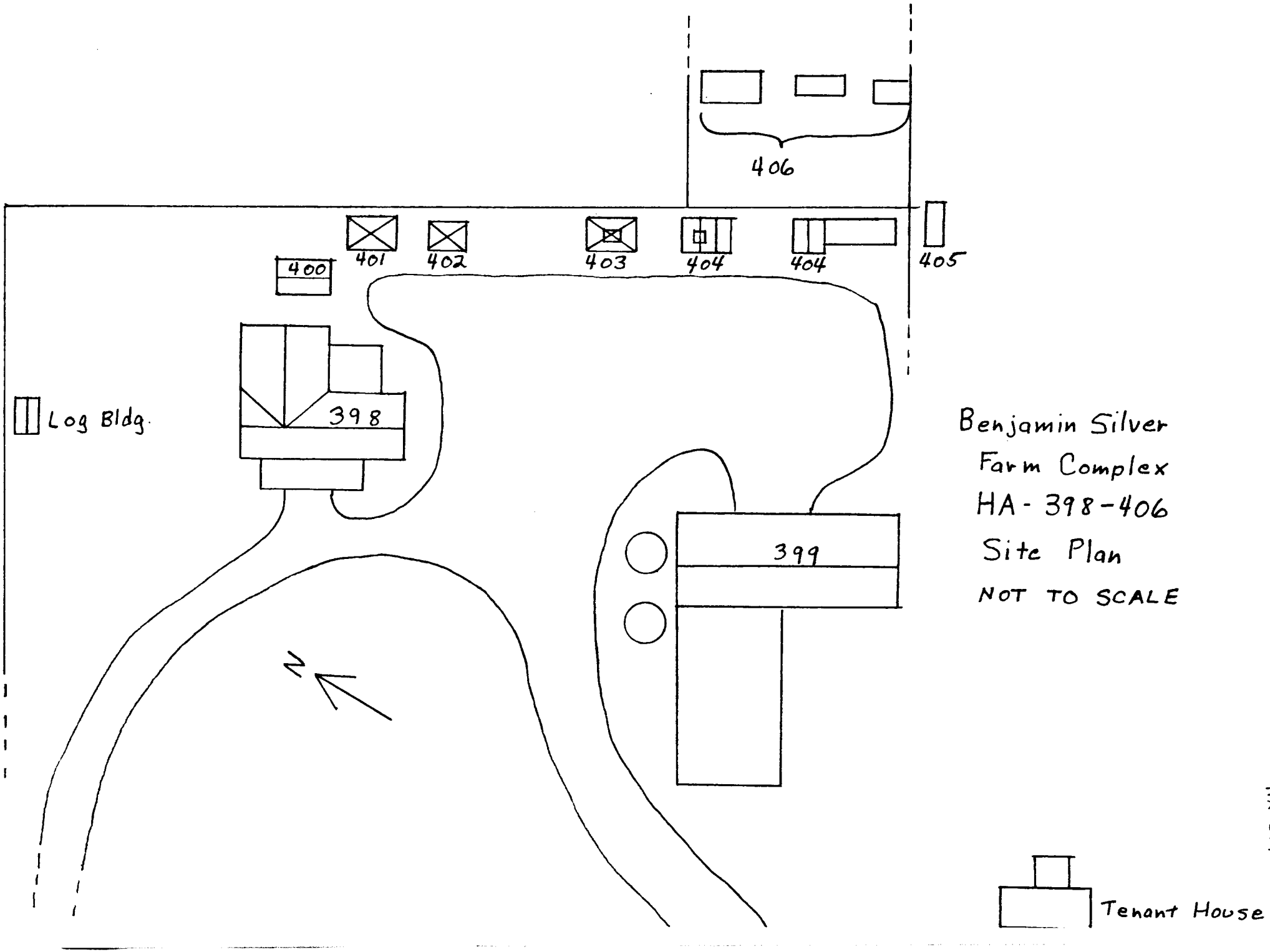
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Site Plan
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Tenant House

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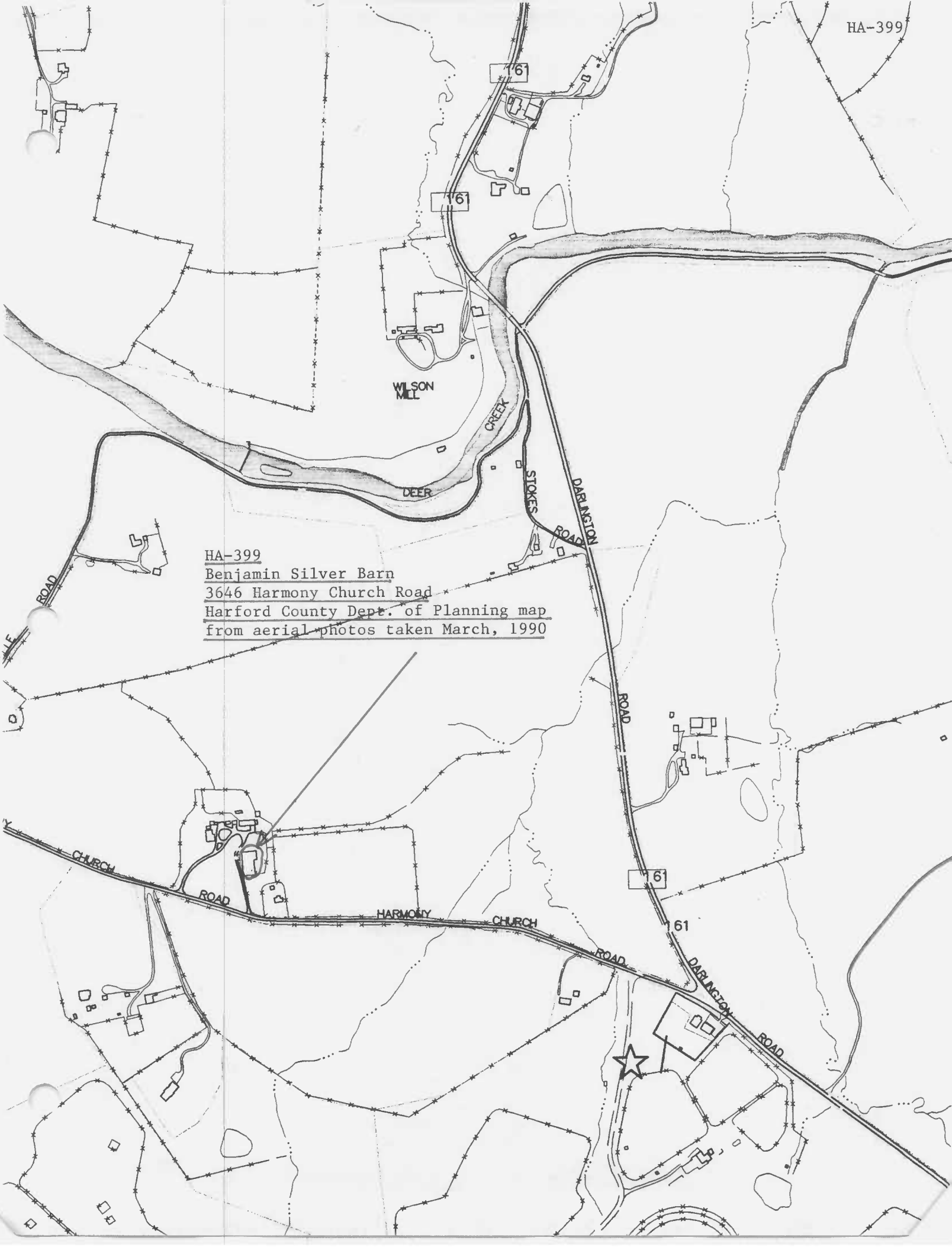

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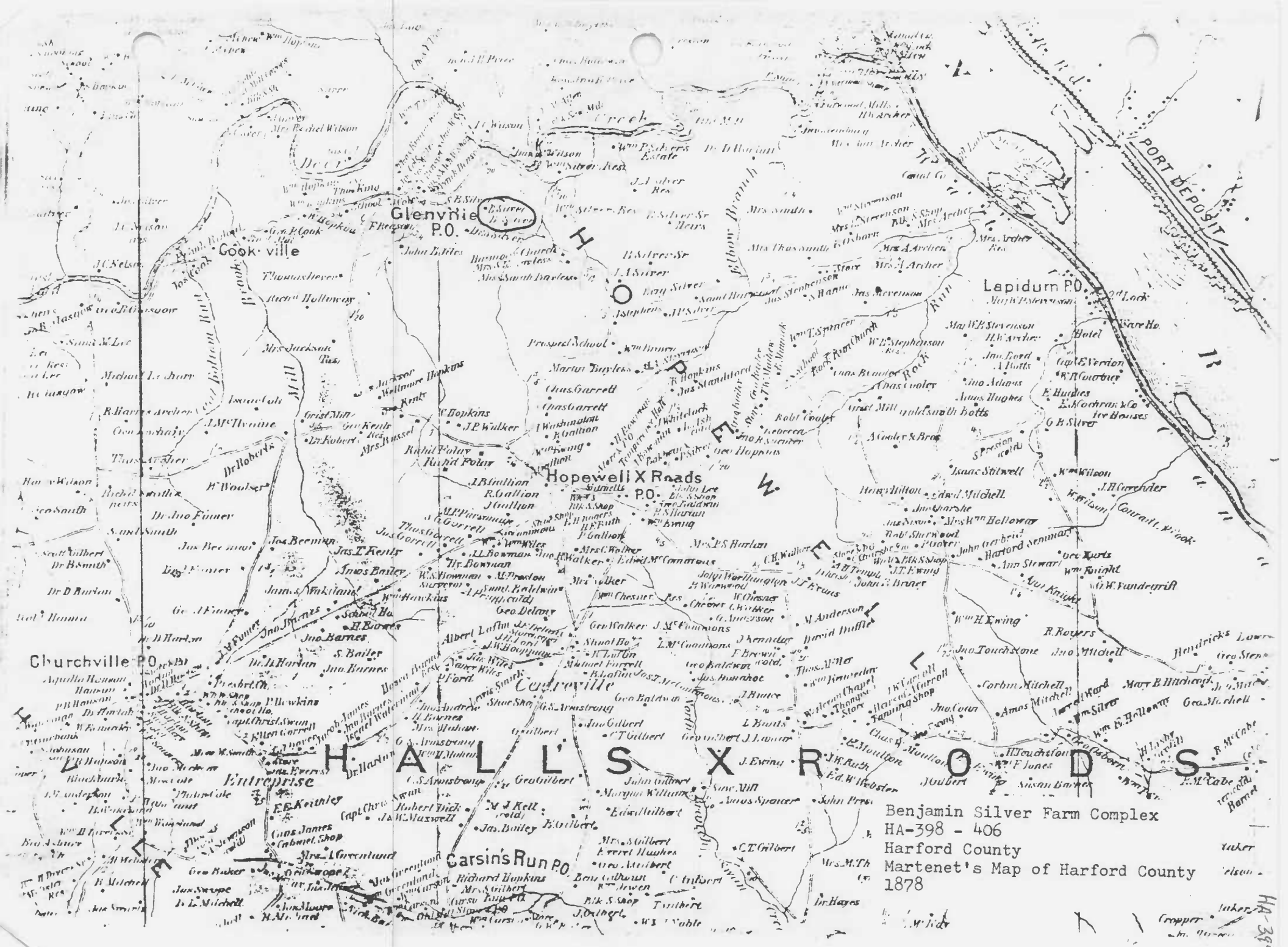
Benjamin Silver Barn
3646 Harmony Church Road
Harford County Dept. of Planning map
from aerial photos taken March, 1990



Benjamin Silver Farm Complex
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Harford County
Martenet's Map of Harford County
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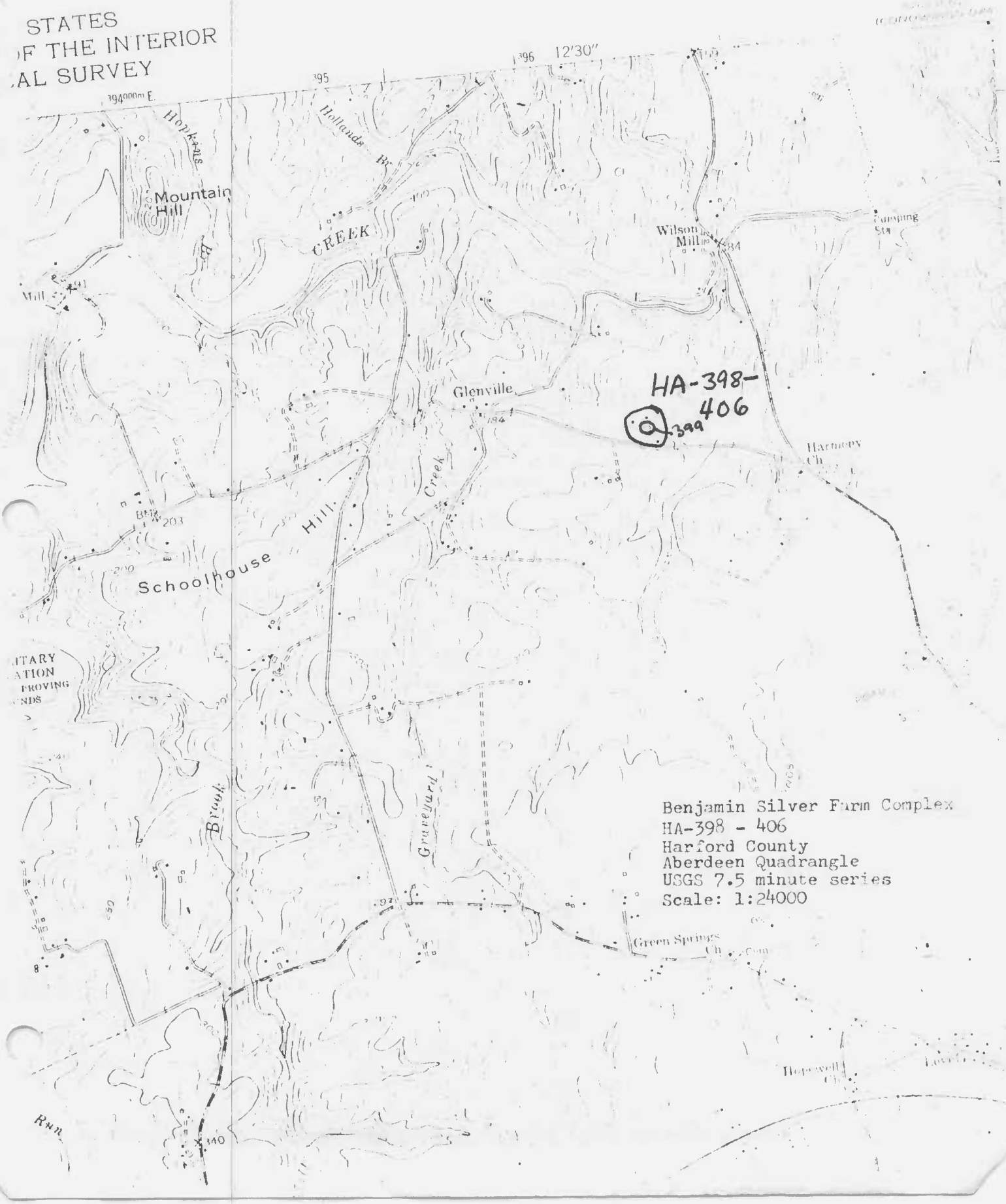

Benjamin Silver Farm Complex
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Harford County
Aberdeen Quadrangle
USGS 7.5 minute series
Scale: 1:24000