MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: W. Lynch House Inventory Number: M:35-18

Address: 8313 Tomlinson Avenue, Bethesda, Montgomery County, Maryland 20817

Owner: Howard P. Stickley

Tax Parcel Number: Subdivision 142, Block U, Lot 4 Tax Map Number: GN122

Project: I-495/I-95 Capital Beltway Corridor Transportation Improvement Study Agency: State Highway Administration

Site visit by: _____ Staff: ☐ No ☐ Yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended: _____ Eligibility not recommended: X

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐A ☐B ☐C ☐D ☐E ☐F ☐G ☐ None

Is property located within a historic district? ☒No ☐Yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed? ☐No ☐Yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: I-495/I-95 Capital Beltway Corridor Transportation Improvement Study Historic Resources Survey and Determination of Eligibility Report

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*:

The W. Lynch House was surveyed by Catherine Crawford of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission in 1983. A determination of eligibility has not been made. The house, constructed circa 1887, is a 2-story, 3-bay, south-facing, wood-frame farmhouse set on a concrete foundation. A wide, open porch runs that length of the house. This has recently been restored to its original configuration as a 1980s description of the house indicates that it had been enclosed. The asphalt-shingle, side-gable roof has wide overhanging, boxed eaves and an entablature. The house has clapboard siding.

The building has recently received a large side addition that mimics the size, proportions, and material of the original house. Set back from the façade, it is attached to the rear ell. It is located immediately south of the beltway and is surrounded by suburban tract housing constructed circa 1980.

The house was listed in the Montgomery County Master Plan for Historic Preservation as an example of rural vernacular architecture. However, due to the compromise in its setting and association, as well as the recent construction of the large addition that diminishes the original farmhouse, it is not recommended for listing in the National Register.

Prepared by: Julianne Mueller, KCI Technologies, Inc., January 2000

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Eligibility recommended: Eligibility not recommended: ✓

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐A ☐B ☐C ☐D ☐E ☐F ☐G ☐ None

Comments: _____

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services 9/11/00 Date

Reviewer, NR Programs 10/12/00 Date

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The W. Lynch House, constructed circa 1887, is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Although the house was once associated with the agricultural history of Montgomery County, possibly qualifying it for listing in the National Register under Criterion A, changes to the house and property have resulted in a loss of integrity of setting, feeling, and association. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as the house on the property is an undistinguished example of a common vernacular building type that lacks distinguishing features and has been extensively altered by a large modern addition. Finally, investigations have not been conducted to determine whether the property has the potential to yield information important in history or pre-history, therefore, National Register Criterion D can not be assessed at this time.

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PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS

I. Geographic Region:

- ☐ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- ☐ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- ☒ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- ☐ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- ☐ Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- ☐ Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- ☒ Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- ☒ Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- ☐ Unknown Period (☐ prehistoric ☐ historic)

III. Historic Period Themes:

- ☒ Agriculture
- ☒ Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- ☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- ☐ Government/Law
- ☐ Military
- ☐ Religion
- ☐ Social/Educational/Cultural
- ☐ Transportation

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Agricultural, Private Residence

Known Design Source: None

Survey No. M35-18

Magi No. 1608655604

DOE ___yes ___no

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic W. Lynch House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number Persimmon Tree & Osage Lane ___ not for publication

city, town Potomac ___ vicinity of congressional district 10th

state Maryland county Montgomery

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	_X_ occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
_X_ building(s)	_X_ private	___ 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
	___ not applicable	_x_ no	___ military	___ other:

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

name Charles & J. Whelan

street & number 10834 Admirals Way telephone no.:

city, town Rockville state and zip code Md.

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Land Records liber 1068

street & number folio 115

city, town Rockville state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MNCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976 ___ federal _x_ state _x_ county ___ local

pository for survey records Park Historian's office

city, town Rockville state Md.

7 DESCRIPTION

M:35-18

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	✓ORIGINAL SITE
✓GOOD	__RUINS	✓ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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8. Significance

Survey No. M:35-18

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	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates circa. 1887 **Builder/Architect**

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 Lynch house is significant as an example of rural vernacular architecture typical of that constructed in Montgomery County from the mid-nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries. The house was built by John William Lynch, the grandfather of the present owner, Charles Whelan, about 1887.[1] The house was built on three acres of land referred to as "Carderock" which John purchased in March of 1887 from J.D.W. and Sarah Moore for $150.00.[2] John was born and raised on a nearby farm (situated on Brickyard and Falls Rd.). He purchased this land after he was married and worked here as a blacksmith in his shop located on the property. John also took in as boarders the school teachers who taught in the old schoolhouse adjacent to his property. Sometime around 1906, John added the rear section to the house.[3]

After John died in April of 1929, the house went to his wife, Roberta, to be passed on to their children following her death, as directed by John's will.[4] When Roberta died in 1938, the house became the property of her children who later conveyed it to Charles Whelan, a grandchild of John and Roberta, in October of 1946.[5] Charles remains the owner of the house which he now rents out.

[1]The date given is based on the date that the property was purchased and the date that it first appears on the tax records with improvements.
[2]Deed JA 5/21, Mont. Co. Land Records.
[3]Conversation with Charles Whelan, 12/82.
[4]Will PEW 14/393, Mont. Co. Register of Wills.
[5]Deed 1068/115, Mont. Co. Land Records.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. M:35-18

Mont. Co. Land Records
Mont.Co. Register of Wills
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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 2.93 acres

Quadrangle name _____ Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

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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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Catherine Crawford

organization Mont. Co. Hist. Preservation Comm. date 1/83

street & number telephone

city or town Rockville state Maryland

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
W. Lynch House

AND/OR COMMON
Victorian Farmhouse

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Persimmon Tree Rd. & Osage Lane

CITY, TOWN
Cabin John

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	✓OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
✓BUILDING(S)	✓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
		✓NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
C. & J. Whelan

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:
Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Rockville

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

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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	__ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
✓ 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Appears to have been the house of W. Lynch on Hopkins' 1894 Atlas. The Lynch family had several small farms in the Great Falls area. Probably built after 1878, as it does not appear on that map. The 1885 "Friendship Schoolhouse", a one-room frame structure, was remodeled into a house and may still be standing just south of here on Persimmon Tree Rd.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1) Hopkins' 1894 Map.
2) "Cabin John Community" paper written in the 1940's by Edith Armstrong-copy at Mont. Co. Hist. Soc.

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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
Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION
M-NCPPC

DATE
4/22/75

STREET & NUMBER
8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE
589-1480

CITY OR TOWN
Silver Spring

STATE
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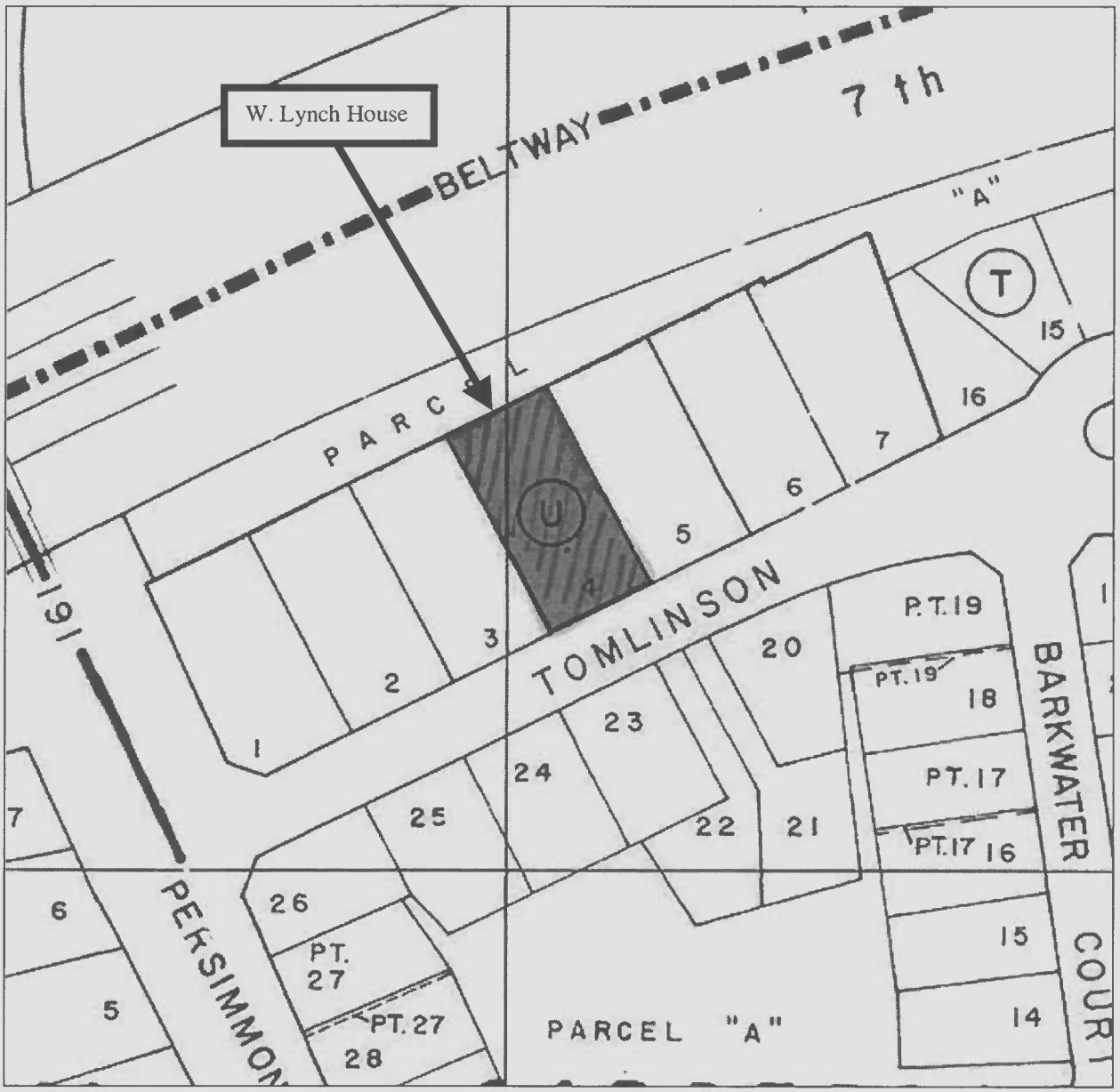
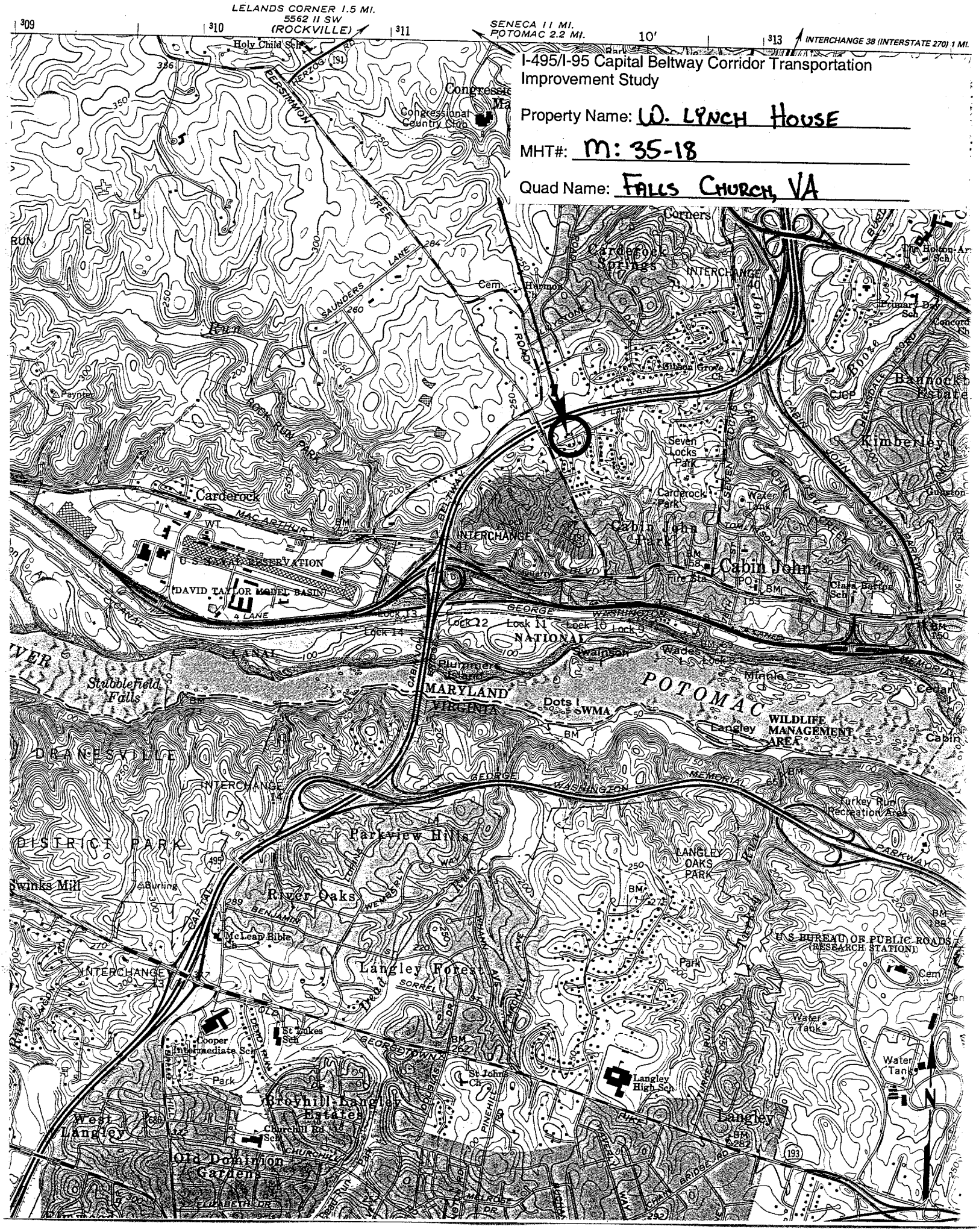


I-495/I-95 Capital Beltway Corridor Transportation Improvement Study

Property Name: W. LYNCH HOUSE

MHT#: M: 35-18

Quad Name: FALLS CHURCH, VA



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NAME FARMHOUSE

LOCATION PERSIMMON TREE Rd + TOMLINSON AVE. CABIN JOHN, Md

FACADE W

PHOTO TAKEN 4/21/75 MOWYER