

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: Thirles Bungalow Inventory Number: PG: 71B-2-28
 Address: 12906 10th Street City: Bowie Zip Code: 20720
 County: Prince George's USGS Topographic Map: Laurel
 Owner: Harold A. Thirles and Hazel Burns Is the property being evaluated a district? ___ yes
 Tax Parcel Number: Lots 72-76 Tax Map Number: 29 Tax Account ID Number: 1693977
 Project: Baltimore-Washington Maglev Amtrak Agency: MTA
 Site visit by MHT staff: X no ___ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
 Is the property is located within a historic district? ___ yes X no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
 NR-listed district ___ yes Eligible district ___ yes Name of District: _____
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ___ yes ___ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ___ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible X yes ___ no

Criteria: ___ A ___ B X C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MIHP Form (PG: 71B-2-28); Historic Town of Bowie tour booklet

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

The Thirles Bungalow is a large, one-and-one-half-story, side-gabled vernacular frame bungalow in a well-preserved residential section of Bowie. It has a rusticated-concrete-block foundation, front porch foundation, and side porch base piers, and is clad in narrow wooden shingles. The eaves have wide overhangs and openwork wooden support brackets in the gables. The side gables have demilunette attic windows with curving wood muntins. Overall the house is two bays wide with a triple front window, and five bays deep with a large, one-bay-deep, gabled rear kitchen extension. The front is dominated by a full-width gable-front porch with slightly-battered side posts. The posts and balustrade are shingled, and a rounded, roofless section of balustrade runs from the front porch to a shed-roofed screened porch that runs along the east façade of the house. The rear bay of this side porch is enclosed with windows and a small gablet above it. A shed-roofed screened kitchen porch is off the rear wall of the back kitchen addition, and has an enclosed west end. A small brick chimney rises from the rear addition.

This house was built in 1922 by the Thirles family, and is still occupied by a descendant. It is one of the best-preserved homes in Bowie's old section, and is a highly individualized vernacular rendition of a Craftsman bungalow. Bungalows were popular in the region and nationwide in the 1920s and 1930s, but this one has a number of atypical details, such as the side porch and Colonial Revival demilunette windows, that distinguish it from more common examples. The Thirles Bungalow retains nearly all of its historic integrity and is an unusual and attractive example of a local builder's interpretation of the Bungalow style. It is recommended eligible for the NRHP under Criterion C and is also a contributing element to the recommended-eligible Bowie-

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended X Eligibility not recommended ___

Criteria: X A ___ B X C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None

MHT Comments CONTRIBUTES TO DISTRICT (PG: 71B-2)

Andrew Lewis ✓
 Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services
Blumenty
 Reviewer, NR Program

9/14/03
 Date
8/15/03
 Date

NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

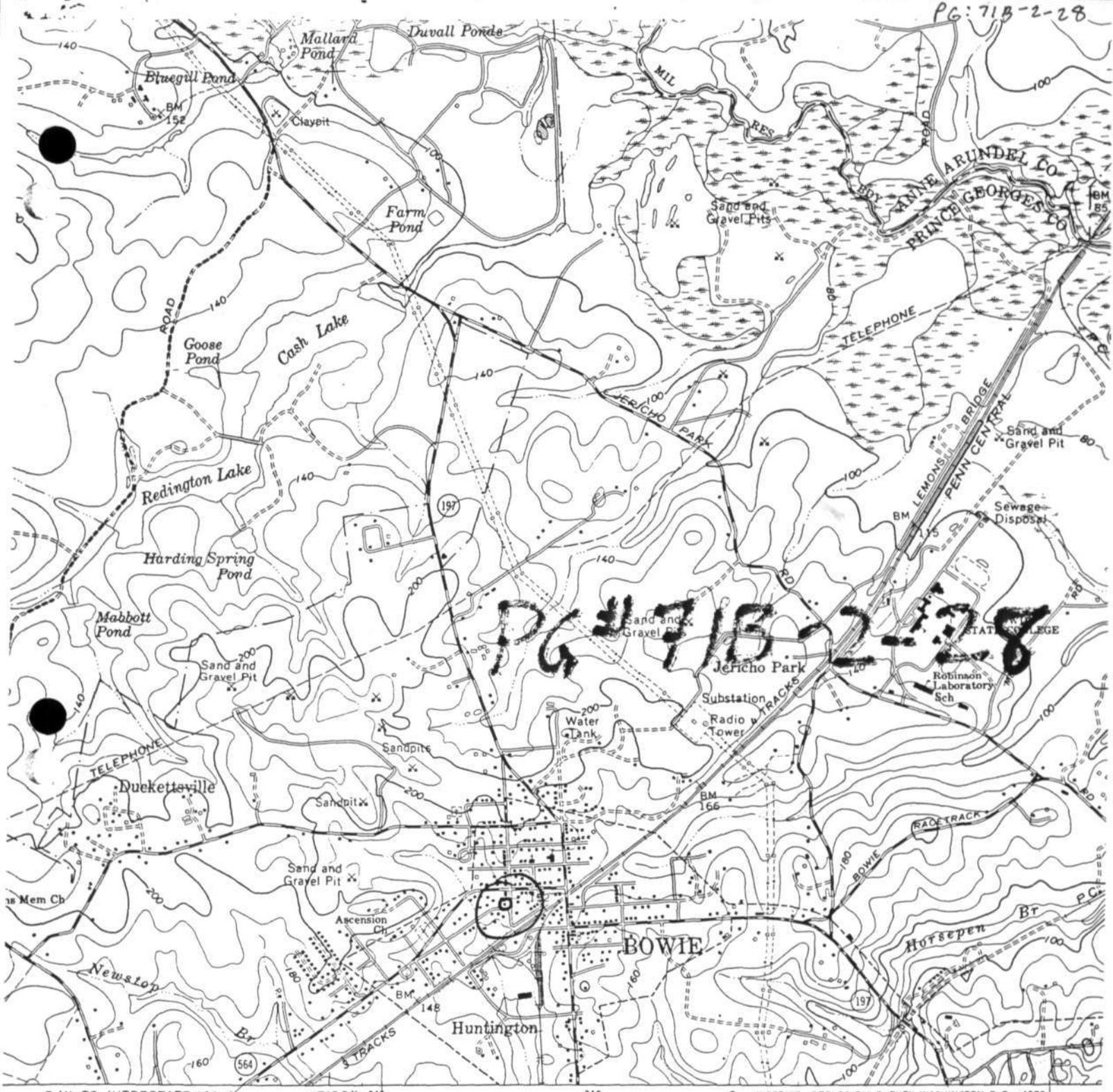
Thirles Bungalow

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Huntington Survey District.

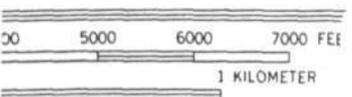
Prepared by: Kate Farnham, John Milner Associates

Date Prepared: 10/16/2002



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Thirles Bungalow
Bowie
Prince George's County
Laurel Quadrangle

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- ity ————— Light-duty —————
- duty ————— Unimproved dirt - - - - -
- U.S. Route State Route
- Interstate Route

LAUREL, MD.
SE/4 LAUREL 15' QUADRANG
N3900—W7645/7.5

1965
PHOTOREVISED 1971
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Thirles Bungalow, 12906 10th Street, Bowie

Prince George's County, Maryland

Kate Farnham

September 2002

MD SHPO

3/4 view looking NE from 10th Street

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Thirls Bungalow, 12906 10th Street, Bowie

Prince George's County, Maryland

Kerri Culhane

April 2002

MD SHPO

General view to NW from intersection of Maple and 10th

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Thirles Bungalow, 12906 10th Street, Bowie
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View to W from Maple Avenue

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #71B-2-28 Building Date: 1921

Building Name: Thirles Bungalow

Location: 12906 10th Street (north side), Bowie, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Excellent/Inaccessible

Description

The Thirles Bungalow is a one-and-one-half-story cross-gabled multi-gable frame dwelling of bungalow form. It is distinguished by its white rectangular shingle siding with stick style brackets and green trim. Entrance is in the first bay of the principal south facade, sheltered by a pedimented one-story porch with shingled posts; the porch curves and wraps around the east elevation of the house where it is screen-enclosed. There is a lunette window with tracery in the upper gable of the east elevation; projecting from this principal east gable is a smaller asymmetrically placed gable which adds variation to the lines of the house. The bungalow is sited on a large corner lot and shaded by large old trees.

Significance

The Thirles Bungalow is an excellent example of a pre-Depression era frame bungalow. It was built in 1921 by the Thirles family, members of which still occupy and care for the house. It is distinguished by its multi-gable profile and stick style decorative motifs, which make it one of the more outstanding examples of the bungalow form in Prince George's County. Its setting on a large corner lot among mature trees contributes to the picturesque atmosphere of the Huntington community.

Acreage: 12,500 Square feet

Magi No.

DOE yes no

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Thirles Bungalow

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 12906 10th Street not for publicationcity, town Bowie vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Prince George's

3. Classification

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

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

name Harold Thirles & Hazel Burns

street & number 12906 10th Street telephone no.:

city, town Bowie state and zip code MD 20720

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 5970

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 744

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD 20772

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. PG#71B-2-28

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

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original site
 moved date of move _____

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

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8. Significance

Survey No. PG#71B-2-28

| Period | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below | | | |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric | <input checked="" 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 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
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Specific dates 1921 Builder/Architect

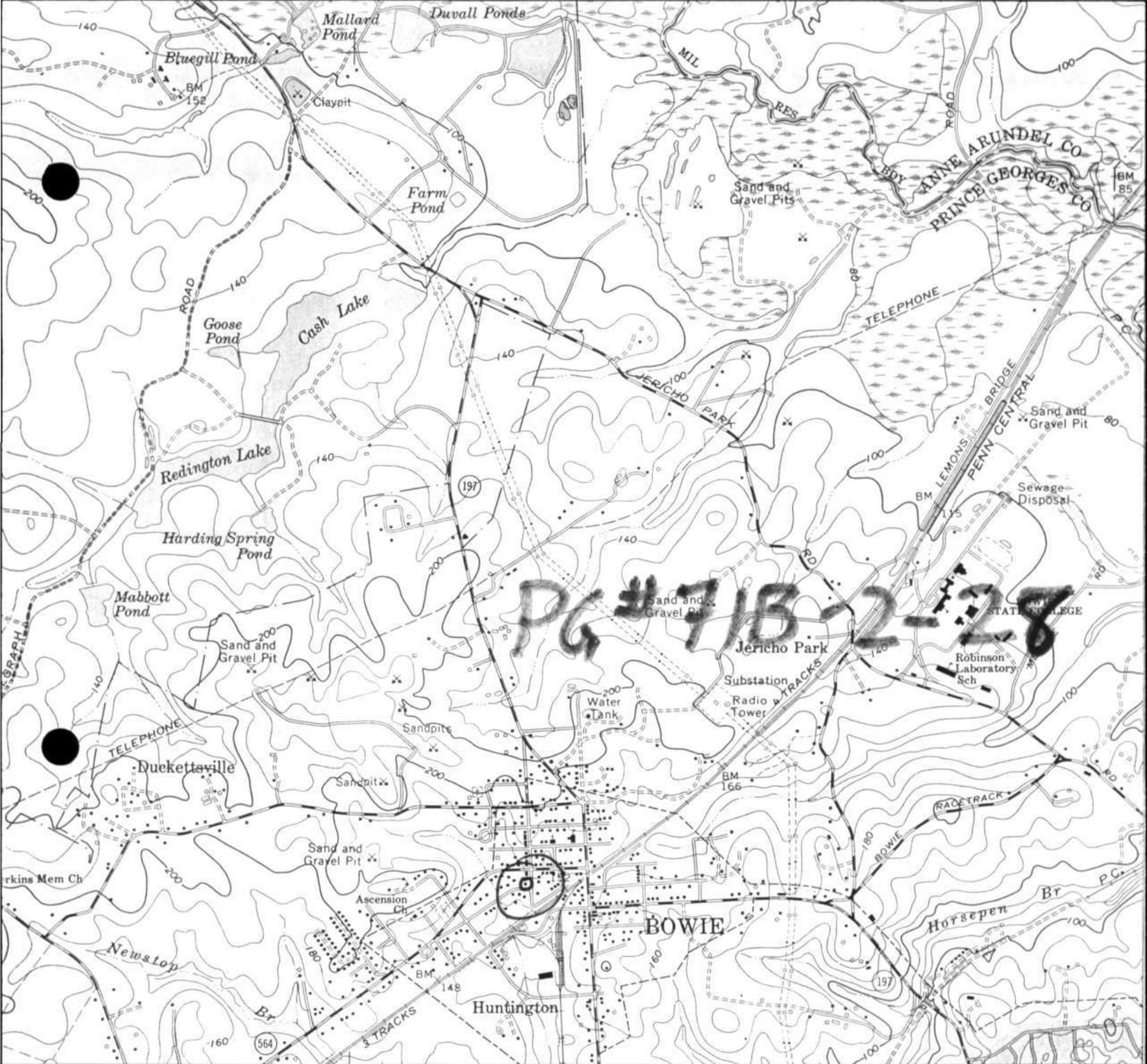
check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

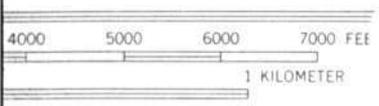
Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Shirley Burgalons
12906 10th Street, Bowie
P.G. Co. MD
Susan L. Pearl
November 1991
Southeast $\frac{3}{4}$ elevation



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Charles Bufaloni
12906 10th Street, Bowie MD
Prince Georges Co, MD

Susan H. Peck
November 1991
East elevation