MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: The Stone Farmstead/ Black Walnut Farm Inventory Number: WA-I-461

Address: 11901 Greencastle-Williamsport Pike City: Hagerstown Zip Code: 21740

County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Mason Dixon Quadrangle

Owner: Beckley, Walter and Dorothy Is the property being evaluated a district? X No

Tax Parcel Number: 1 Tax Map Number: 48 Tax Account ID Number: 24-000265

Project: Proposed Baer Property Cell Tower Agency: FCC

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no ___ yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Is the property 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 District Name: _____

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ___ yes ___ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ___

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)

Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible X yes ___ no

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

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MD Historical Trust Inventory Form, 1978

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

WA-I-461 The Stone Farmstead/Black Walnut Farm 11901 Greencastle-Williamsport Pike
The complex of agricultural buildings consists of native limestone bank barn with a 1-story frame shed-roof addition and two silos along with several frame agricultural buildings. The bank barn has projecting granaries and a gable roof that is sheathed with standing seam metal. The stone residence recorded by the state in 1978 is not extant.

The bank barn as a building type is closely associated with the mid-Atlantic region and is identified with areas settled by people of German or English origins. The type obtains its name from being constructed so that one wall is built into a natural or man-made embankment. The building is highly efficient as it combines many functions, such as stabling, stalling, crop storage, and processing within one building. The efficiency that is provided by its design built its reputation as an important development of progressive scientific farming. This building dating from the second quarter of the 19th Century represents an early period of agricultural reform when ideas of consolidating farm functions under a single roof were gaining popularity.

The barn is setback from Williamsport Pike along a narrow country road in an area that retains its rural character. Despite the loss of the farmhouse, the bank barn is a unique local example of early technology and its continued use is a testimony of the

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Eligibility recommended X **Eligibility not recommended** ___

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

Comments:

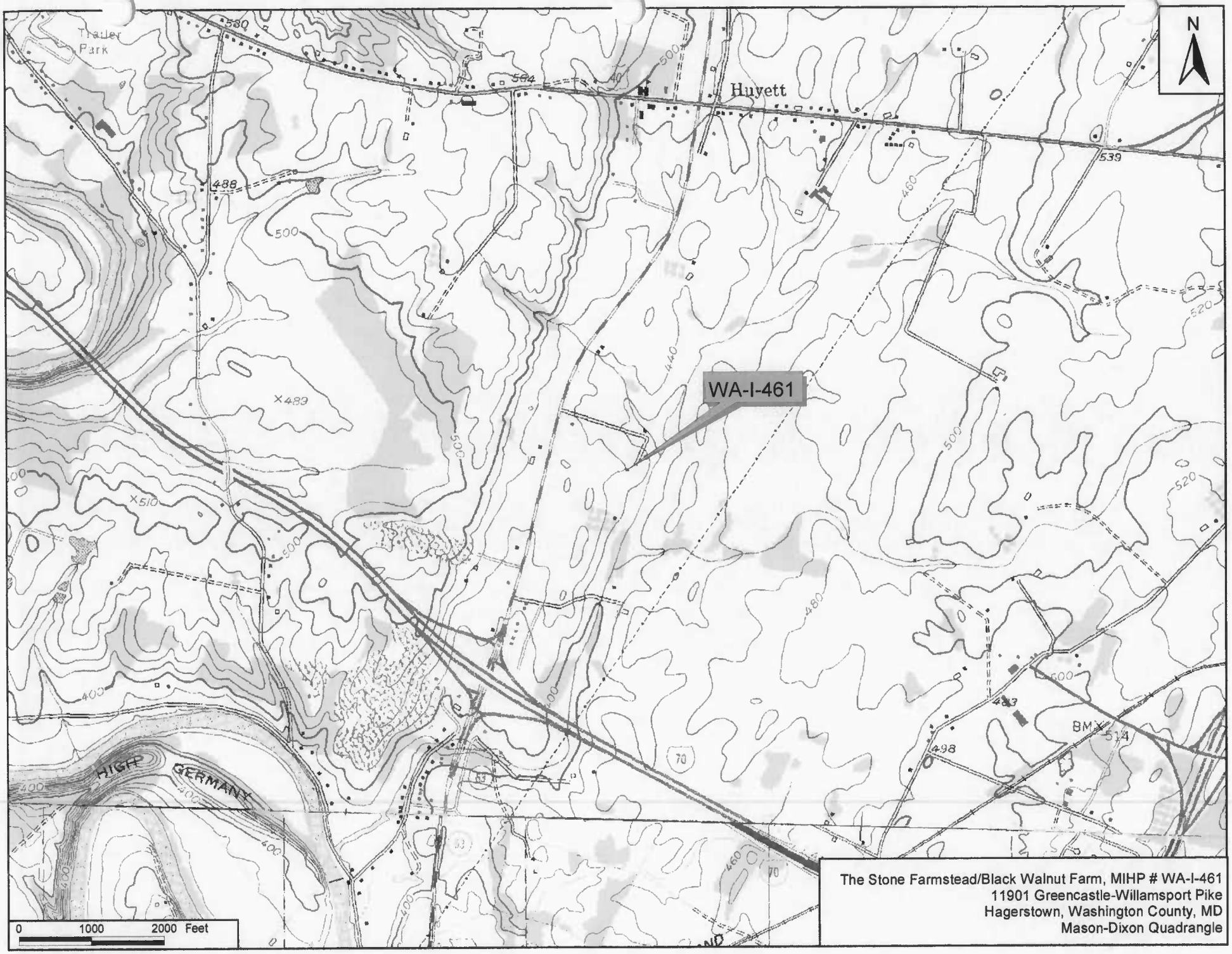
[signature] ✓ 4/11/03
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services **Date**

[signature] 4/11/03
Reviewer, NR Program **Date**

success of the early reforms in agriculture occurring in the region and in Washington County. The limestone bank barn is eligible for listing on the National Register.

Prepared by: Kristie Lalire

Date Prepared: 3/10/2003



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Hagerstown, Washington County, MD
Mason-Dixon Quadrangle

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11901 Greencastle - Williamsport Pike
Hagerstown
Washington Co. MD

photographer Kristie Lalire, 3/2/2003
east facade

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11901 Greencastle-Williamsport Pike

Hagerstown,

Washington Co. MD

photographer: Kristie Lahre, 3/8/2005

east laside

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Hagerstown
Washington Co MD
photographer: Kristie Lalire, 3/8/2002

east and south elevation

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Hagerstown
Washington Co. MD
photographer: Kristen Lalire, 3/7/2005
viewed facing southwest

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11901 Greencastle - Williamsport Pike
Hagerstown,
Washington Co MD
photographer: Kristie Lalire, 3/6/2003
viewshed (barn is at left of photo)

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ABSTRACT
WA-I-461 19th Century
Stone Farmstead
Hagerstown Vicinity
private

This farmstead consisting of a group of stone buildings would appear to date from the second quarter of the 19th century. This period of construction is suggested by the type of masonry used and the treatment of the exterior woodwork. It is typical of many farmsteads in this region where limestone is such a prominent feature of the landscape.

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WA-I-461
District 24
Map 48
Parcel 1
MAGI # 2207025435

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON
Stone Farmstead

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
East of Route 63

CITY, TOWN
Near Huyett — X VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Washington

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	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		X NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Mrs. Pearl Beckley

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
Route # 2

CITY, TOWN
Hagerstown — __ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #: 204
Folio #: 403

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Washington County Court House

STREET & NUMBER
West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN
Hagerstown

STATE
Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

WA-I-461

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED < 50%	__MOVED DATE_____
X FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farmstead is located at the end of a private lane which extends in an easterly direction from Maryland Route 63, the Williamsport-Greencastle Pa. Pike, south of Huyetts Crossroads in Washington County, Maryland. The house and barn are both built of the native limestone and stand on a ridge of ground surrounded by outcrops with the house facing east and the barn southeast.

The house is a two story three bay structure of coursed stone with a recessed two story, two bay wing extending to the south. The wing may be contemporary with the main section or it may be an addition of a few years later. There is no decorative masonry associated with the exterior of the building. The north or main section has large stone lintels above the openings. The north section is quite broad having two widely spaced windows at each story in its north end wall.

Windows have narrow frames finished with a bead at the inside edge. Nine over six pane double hung sashes are used at the first story while six over six windows are present at the secor' story level. The main entrance is located in the south end bay of the front elevation. T six panel door is hung beneath a three light transom. Entrances in the wing also have s' panel doors but do not have transoms. They are located in the second bay from the south end wall at the first and second story levels. The upper door opens onto a double porch included under the roof span of the wing.

Roofing terminates flush with the end walls of the house. Inside end chimneys are of brick.

Just south of the house is a stone outbuilding which appears to be a springhouse. The barn is a large stone structure with projecting stone granaries. Typically the end walls have vertical slits for ventilation.

The buildings appear to be in fair to good condition and stand on a farm containing 119.03 acres.

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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	X 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 119.03 acres

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
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION
Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE
January 1978

STREET & NUMBER
County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE
791-3065

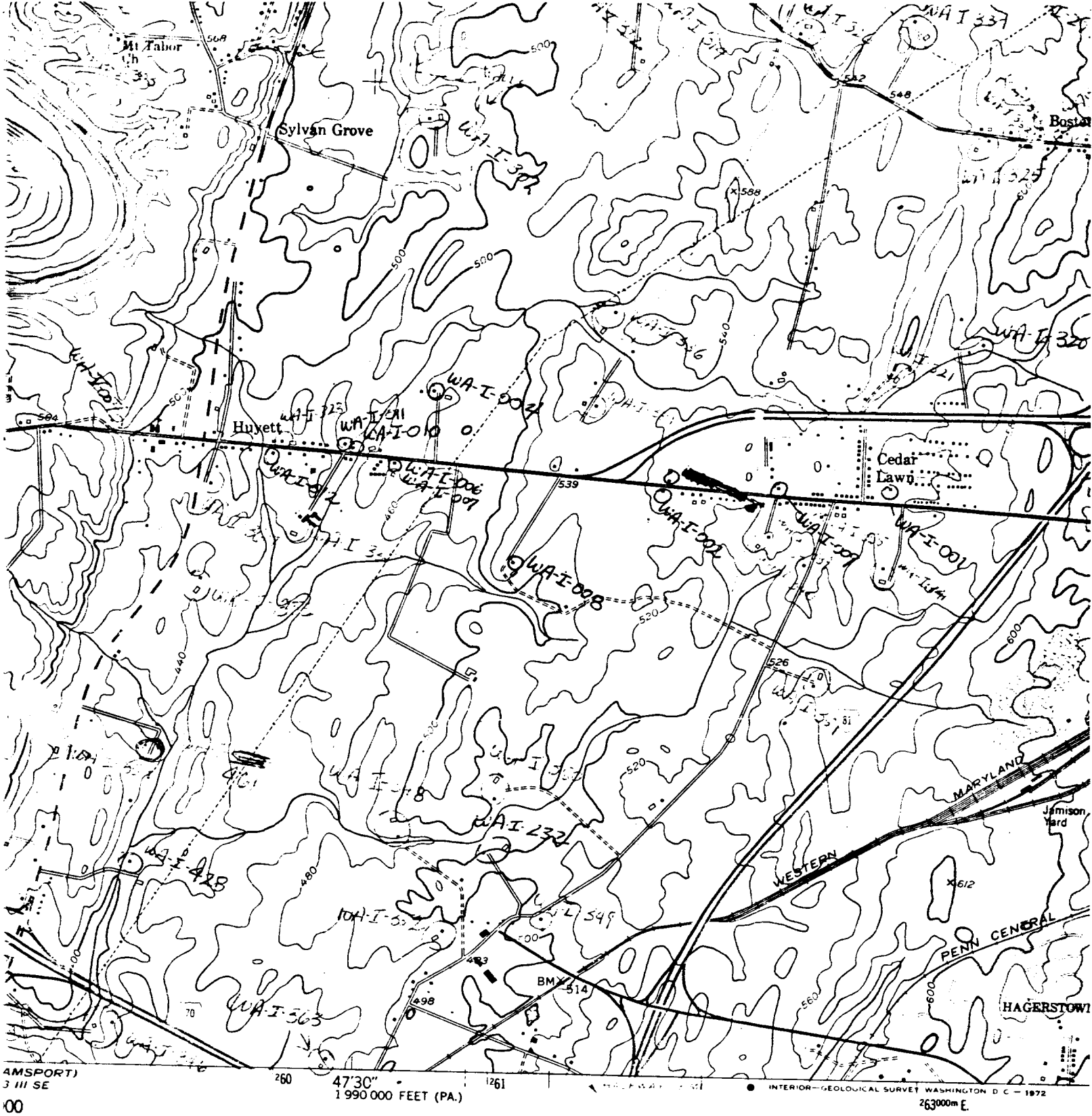
CITY OR TOWN
Hagerstown

STATE
Maryland 21740

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



1 MILE

4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET

1 KILOMETER

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty — 4 LANE — 2 LANE — Light-duty

Medium-duty — 4 LANE — 2 LANE — Unimproved dirt

U. S. Route — State Route

Interstate Route

MARYLAND

QUADRANGLE LOCATION

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MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
EY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

MASON-DIXON, MD.-P

NE/4 WILLIAMSPORT 15' QUADRANGLE

N3937.5—W7745/7.5

1953

PHOTOREVISED 1971

AMS 5463 III NE—SERIES V833

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