

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic John Ash Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number South side Kemp's Mill Road, west of  
Conococheague Creek \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Pinesburg  vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Washington County

## 3. Classification

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

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

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber

street & number folio

city, town state

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. WA-V-243

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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.

This farm is located on the south side of Kemp's Mill Road, west of Conococheague Creek, in an agricultural area north of Pinesburg. The complex contains a brick farm house, large frame barn, and other agricultural buildings. The house faces north and is of brick construction, 2½ stories high, and has a hip roof with two brick interior end chimneys.

The house is four bays wide by two deep; the doorway on its principal facade is located in the second bay from the west end. A hip roofed porch covers the central two bays of this facade. Window openings are segmentally arched, and windows are 2/2 double-hung sash. A hip roofed dormer with paired double-hung sash windows is located in the center of the principal facade. The house is in good condition with few exterior alterations.

# 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 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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

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

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

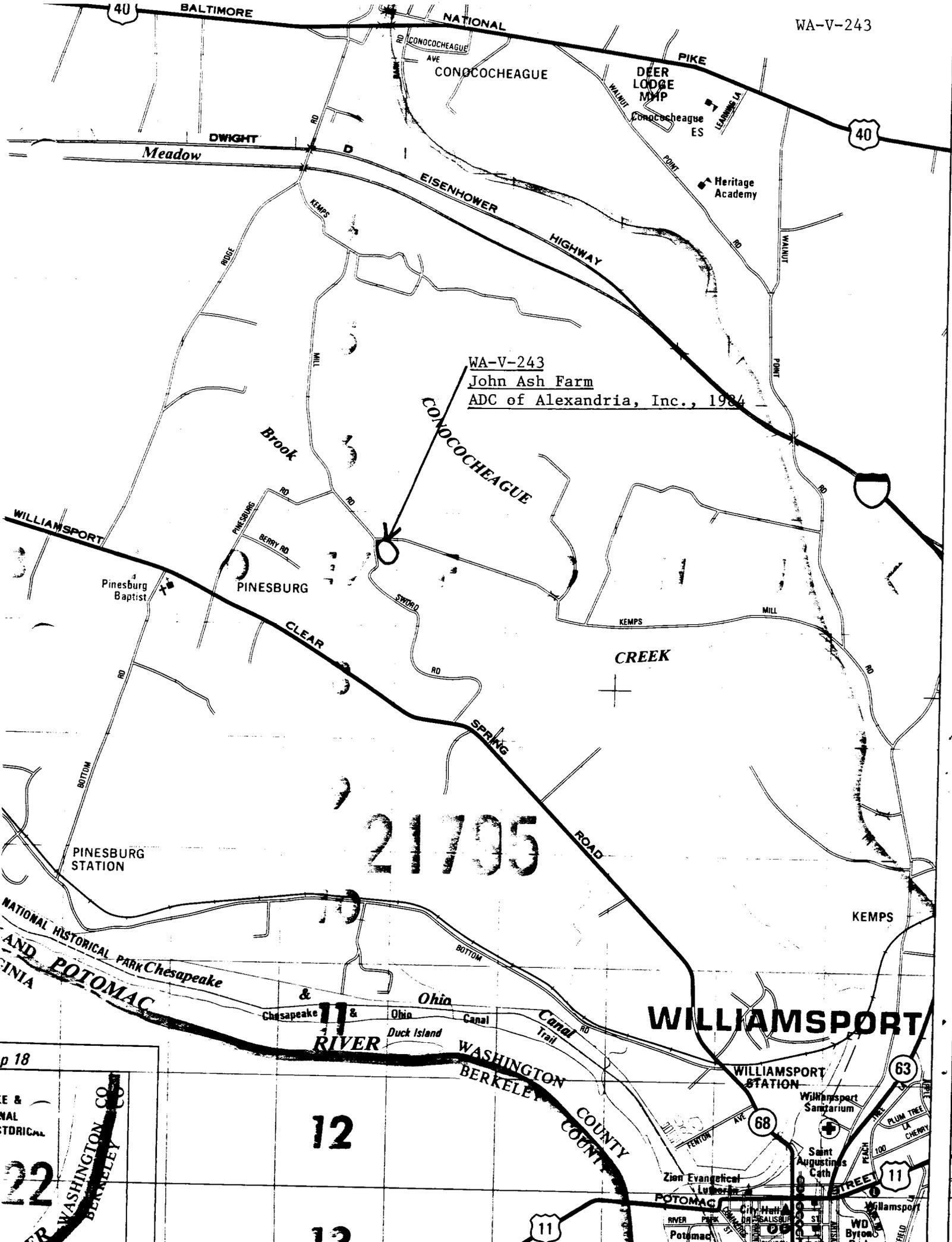
Level of Significance:  national  state  local

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

This farm is architecturally significant primarily for its unusual brick farmhouse, which is not common in this area. The 2½ story, hip roofed house with segmentally arched windows may date from the late 19th or early 20th century. Its nearly cubical form, roof type, and dormers are typical of Colonial Revival inspired houses of the period. The four bay wide facade with off-center doorway, however, reflects the influence of traditional Pennsylvania German vernacular building. On a house of this type and date, a more formal, symmetrical facade would be expected.

The property may be the John Ash farm shown on the 1859 Taggart and the 1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson atlases of Washington County. Whether an earlier house was either replaced or incorporated into the present building is not known.





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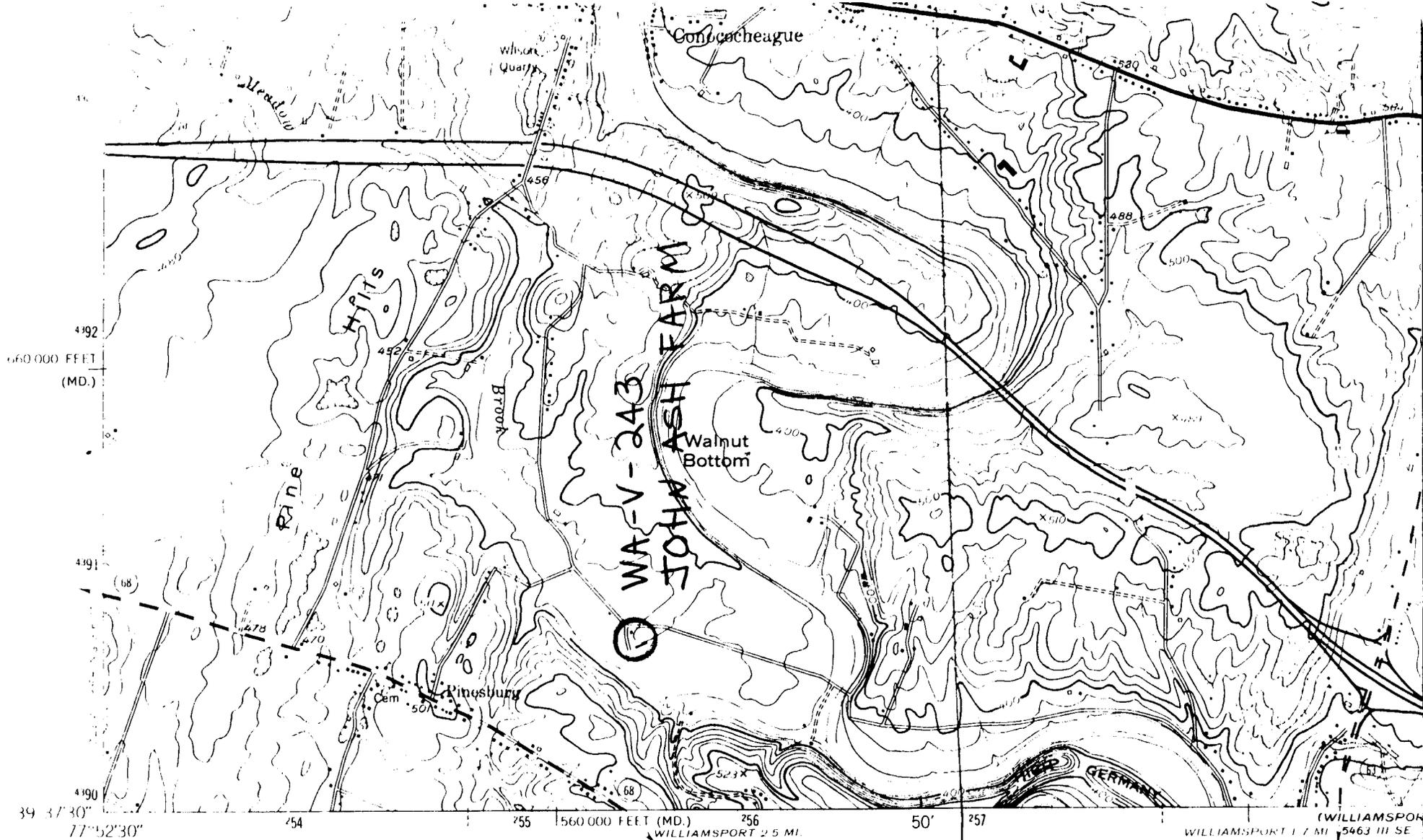
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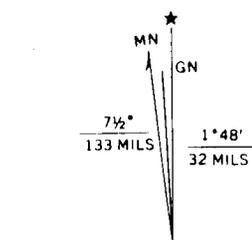
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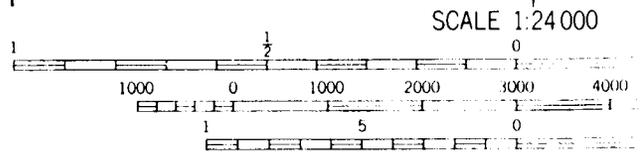
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Polyconic projection 1927 North American datum  
 10,000 foot grids based on Maryland coordinate system  
 and Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone  
 1000 meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
 zone 18 shown in blue

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 various sources. The boundary shown is not checked.



UTM GRID AND 1971 MAGNETIC NORTH  
 DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
 DATUM U. S. MEAN SEA LEVEL

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