

Maryland Historical Trust
Inventory of Historic Properties Form
Maryland Route 30/Manchester Bypass Project

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bosley Farm

and/or common Dell Farm

2. Location

street & number 3301 Ralph Dell Road not for publication

city, town Greenmount X vicinity congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Carroll County

3. Classification

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

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

name Ralph Dell

street & number 3301 Ralph Dell Road telephone no.

city, town Manchester state and zip code Maryland 21102

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Tax Assessor liber Block 12

street & number Winchester Exchange Bldg. - Main Street folio Lot 273

city, town Westminster state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title N/A

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. CARR 1531

Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

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.

The Dell Farm complex consists of a mid-nineteenth-century, Four-over-Four brick house, summer kitchen/springhouse, outhouse, modern dairy barn, ruins of the nineteenth century barn and modern dairy industry structures.

House (1840-1850- owner gave date of 1840)

The Dell House is an intact rural vernacular Four-over-Four mid-nineteenth-century farmhouse. The 2-1/2 story brick house is three bays by two bays with an asphalt shingle gable roof perpendicular to the road and brick interior chimneys on the north and south gable ends. The south chimney and roof were destroyed by a lightning strike and subsequent fire; Mr. Dell has rebuilt both. Fenestration is irregular with six-over-six wood, double-hung sash on all elevations. However, the principal [east] facade has three windows on the second story while the west elevation has two. Two 6 lite windows are located in the gable ends of the upper level and one six-over-six window on the lower level of all elevations. A small entry porch is located on the principal facade and the entry door is flanked by sidelights. The house is built into a slight bank with an enclosed, vinyl-sided porch on the north elevation.

Summer Kitchen/Springhouse (1840-1850)

The one-story summer kitchen/springhouse is located northeast of the main house. The frame on fieldstone foundation structure is two bays by one bay with metal gable roof that extends over the walkway on the principal [west] facade. An interior brick chimney is located on the south gable end and there are six-over-six windows on the west facade and east elevation.

Barn (1840-1850)

The original barn was an eight bay by four bay, frame on fieldstone foundation bank sited structure with metal gable roof perpendicular to the road and wood ventilators on all elevations. The unsupported forebay was oriented to the east. The barn was in the process of being dismantled during the survey in June, 1996.

Outbuildings (1840-1850/1940-present)

The only other nineteenth century outbuilding remaining is the frame outhouse located south of the main house. A metal gambrel roof dairy barn with silo and cinder block generator room affixed to the northwest corner is also south of the house. The frame on cinder block foundation structure is five bays by two bays and used to house cows. The original barn stood directly against this building on its south elevation. There are several silos and grain storage tanks as well as a large, metal tractor shed; the latter located east of the house.

Contributing Resources: 4

8. Significance

Survey No. CARR ~~4528~~ 1531

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input 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

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 Dell Farm is significant as an intact, mid-nineteenth-century, rural vernacular, Four-over-Four dwelling. It is located on an agricultural/stock farm which has maintained its original use into the twentieth century, although its original bank barn, which according to Mr. Dell was immense, has unfortunately been demolished.

The property is listed on the 1862 Martenet Atlas [owner - J. Bosley], the 1877 Lake, Griffing and Stevenson Atlas [owner - D. Bosley] and the 1916 Rand Mc Nally Atlas [owner - Bosley].

Evaluation:

The Dell Farm, constructed circa 1840-1850, is eligible for the National Register. The property is not eligible under Criterion A; no significant events historically or agriculturally have been determined to be associated with the property. The property is not eligible under Criterion B; no persons significant in local, state or national history have been determined to have been associated with the property. The property is eligible under Criterion C; the farmhouse is a significant example of its type, design or manner of construction, well representing architectural trends popular in the county at the middle of the nineteenth century. While the loss of its bank barn is unfortunate, it has not adversely affected the architectural significance of the house.

Eligibility recommended XX MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
Comments _____ Eligibility not recommended _____

Reviewer, OPS: [Signature] Date: 8/21/98
Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature] Date: 8/21/98

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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see attached page

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 117.74

Quadrangle name Manchester

Quadrangle scale 1 to 24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundary of the property is coterminous with Carroll County Tax Map Block 12 /Lot 272 , which encompasses 117.74 acres historically associated with the property.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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state New Jersey

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 purposed only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

Return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCP/DHCD
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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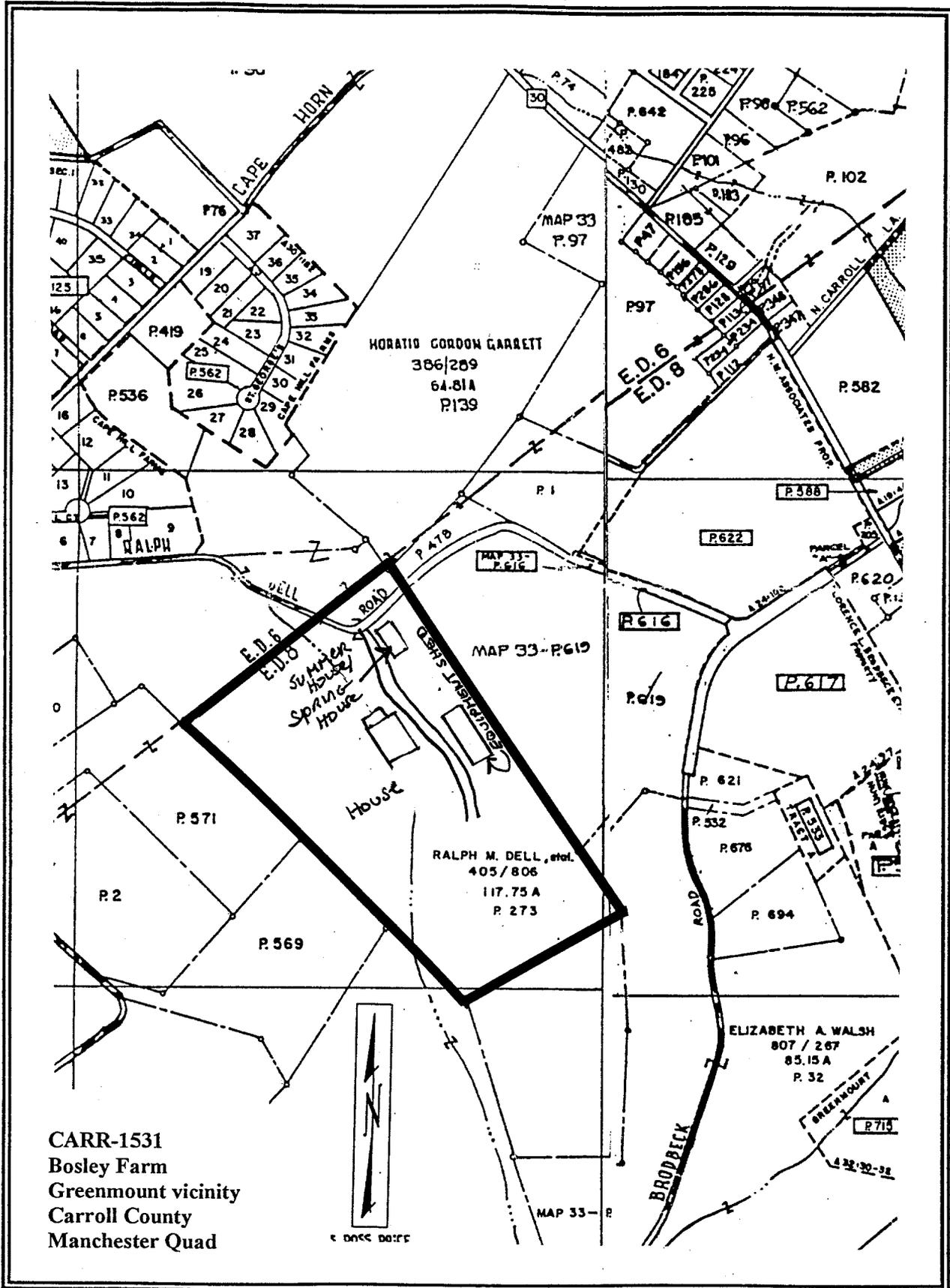
Maryland Historic Preservation Plan Historic Contexts:

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Periods: Agricultural-Industrial Transition - AD 1815-1870
Modern Period - AD 1930- present

Historic Period Themes: Architecture/Agricultural

Resource Types: Farm, Farmstead





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2. Carroll County
3. Madeline Scheerer
4. June 1996
5. Maryland SHPO
6. Dell Farm
3301 Ralph Dell Rd
main-SW elev.
7. 1/6



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main - NE elevation
7. 2/6



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Summer kitchen
- Spring house - SW elev.
7. 3/6.



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5. Maryland STHO
6. Dell Farm
3301 Ralph Dell Rd
Farm looking south
7. 4/6.



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5. Maryland SHPO
6. Dell Farm
3301 Ralph Dell Rd.
Corn crib / well house
7. 5/6.



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barn ruins.
7. 6/6