

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: PG:85A-53 (PACS 1.23) Construction Date: Circa 1950

Name: Moore Property

Location: 7310 and 7410 Moore's Road Road, T.B. Vicinity, Prince George's County

Private/Commercial/Occupied/Fair-Deteriorated/Accessibility Restricted

Description:

The Moore Property is located on the north and south sides of Moore's Road in the T.B. vicinity, Prince George's County. Constructed circa 1950, the property consists of a nursery, one barn and one ruin of an agricultural building. The buildings comprise part of a once large landholding of the Moore family. The nursery building and barns supported a farming practice and produce stand.

Significance:

Three brothers, Sydney, Wilson and Kermit Moore, purchased 55 hectare (136.08 acres) of land on the east side of Brandywine Road in 1946. The land was part of an unrecorded subdivision of the Gibbons Farm, a nineteenth century farm located northwest of the village of T.B. The Moore brothers bought lots 9 through 16, parts of lots 8 and 17, and an additional 15.2 hectares (37.7 acres) from Fred and Leona Schwab. Sydney Moore was a tobacco and crop farmer for more than six decades and was honored for his success as a farmer by the Agriculture Department Farm Extension Program during World War II. In 1983, Sydney Moore was again honored for his farming achievements by the Prince George's County Council (Prince George's County Historical Society, vertical files, Prince George's County Journal, 9 March 1987). The nursery building, likely used as a produce stand, and the barns were constructed circa 1950. In 1961, Wilson Moore acquired a 8.8 hectare (21.7 acre) portion of the farm near MD 5 (Branch Avenue) containing the nursery building and barns. A 2 hectare (4.9 acre) parcel containing the nursery building was sold to Pyles Properties, Inc. in 1969. The property was sold twice before purchased by its current owner William Tilling in 1995. The property containing the nursery building is currently 1.7 hectares (4.3 acres) in size. The land containing the barns remains in the ownership of Wilson Moore and his brother Booker Moore. The amount of land containing the barns has been reduced to 1.1 hectares (2.8173 acres).

Maryland Historical Trust
 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
 MD 5 Brandywine Interchange

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Moore Property (preferred)

and/or common Moore-Tilling Property

2. Location:

street & number 7310 and 7410 Moore's Road

___ not for publication

city, town T.B. X vicinity of

congressional district

state

Maryland

county

Prince George's

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>X</u> commercial	<u> </u> park
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> education	<u> </u> private
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment	residence
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government	<u> </u> religious
<u> </u>	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial	<u> </u> scientific
<u> </u>	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> military	<u> </u> other:
			<u> </u> transportation	

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

name Wilson and Booker C. Moore / William C. Tilling

street & number 7612 Moore's Lane/7410 Moore's Road

telephone no.:

city,town Brandywine

state and zip code MD 20613

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Prince George's County

liber 5470/10445

street & number Prince George's County Judicial Center

folio 894/411

city,town Upper Marlboro

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___federal ___state ___county ___local

depository for survey records

city,town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 3

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

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The 1-story nursery building is located on the north side of Moore's Road, west of MD 5 (Branch Avenue). Constructed circa 1950, the building is of wood-frame construction with a cross-gable roof, vertical wood siding and a concrete slab foundation. The building has a large shed roof addition on the west elevation and several shed roof additions on the rear elevation. Two greenhouses are attached to the northeast corner of the building and a shed roof addition is located on the east elevation. A 1-story shed roof wood canopy wraps-around from the front elevation to the east elevation.

On the south side of Moore's Road were two barns. One barn has collapsed, while the other is in a deteriorated condition. Constructed circa 1950, the extant 2-story barn has a front-gable orientation with vertical double-doors on the gable ends. The structure has a metal roof, vertical wood siding and concrete corner blocks. The south elevation has a 2-story shed roof section, adjacent to which is a 1-story shed roof section. A concrete block chimney is located between the sections. The 1-story section has a series of casement window openings.

The property is located on the north and south sides of Moore's Road. The property's setting is rural with residential properties to the south and west, a commercial property to the east and woodland to the north.

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8. Significance (Continued)

The first store at the crossroads known as T.B. was constructed circa 1830 by the Tomlin family. After the Civil War, A.W. Marlow opened a second store (MHT, PG:85A-14). In 1862, a merchant and farmer named J. Eli Huntt moved to T.B. Huntt bought the Tomlin and Marlow properties and opened his own business in the Marlow store. Huntt also brought a blacksmith and physician into the village. When the village population peaked at 150 in the late 1880s, the community included schools for black and white children, two nearby Methodist churches, two blacksmith's shops, two undertakers, two general stores and two doctors (MHT, PG:85A-33).

T.B. was in danger of decline by the end of the nineteenth century. During the 1870s and 1880s, both the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad and the Southern Maryland and Point Lookout Railroad had bypassed T.B. in favor of the village of Brandywine, located two miles to the east. Businesses and other activities favored this location, and T.B. remained a small, crossroads village serving only local farmers and travelers. William G. Becker tried to develop the "Littleworth" subdivision northwest of T.B. during the 1930s, however only a few lots were ever developed. Several dwellings were constructed around the periphery of the village between 1930 and 1950. In 1927, the Governor Crain Highway, now Route 301, was constructed along a new alignment immediately east of T.B. In 1950 Maryland Route 5, which formerly followed Brandywine Road north of T.B. and Old Brandywine Road south of T.B., was moved to a new alignment immediately east of Brandywine Road. Although Route 5 did not result in extensive demolition, T.B. failed quickly after its construction (MHT, PG:85A-33).

One of the buildings on the Moore Property is a nursery building. Late nineteenth and early twentieth century rural, small-scale commercial buildings were most likely adaptations of simple dwelling and outbuilding forms. Often of frame construction and one to two stories tall, these buildings were built to serve specific roadside functions such as roadside shops and stands. These buildings usually had front-gable or parapeted flat roofs and typically featured a large display window. Decorative features were few, predominantly limited to a transom over the door and decorative signs over the entrance or in front of the store. Roadside stands typically featured large awnings or canopies to shelter both the goods and customers (Liebs 1985:5-8).

Another building on the Moore Property is a barn. The barn was the principal building erected on a farm, which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and storage for hay, straw or tobacco. Throughout the nineteenth century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space for smaller animals, such as chickens and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Typically, livestock was housed on the lower level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

Barn forms inspired by Dutch and English prototypes were adapted to perform specific farm functions, such as livestock storage, tobacco-curing or dairying. Dutch barns were nearly square in plan and covered with a highly pitched roof. They employed a three-bay design with a large central door in the gable end. The first story was used for grain storage, threshing and animal shelter, while hay was stored in a loft area. The English barn also contained three bays with a central entry but the openings are along the eave wall of the barn, not the gable end. The roof of the English barn was low pitched (Arthur and Witney 1988, 36-83). Foundation walls were

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frequently of fieldstone masonry construction which was sometimes used for gable end walls construction. Vertical wood sheathing was a common exterior siding. Roofs were covered with shingle, slate, or metal.

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1950, the Moore Property 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. 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 it lacks architectural significance and integrity of materials. The nursery building has been extensively altered by additions and changes to the building fabric. The extant barn is not a significant example of an agricultural outbuilding and it suffers from deterioration. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended _____	Eligibility Not Recommended <u>X</u>
Comments _____	

Reviewer, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>12/18/98</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>12/18/98</u>

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9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. PG:85A-53(PACS1.23)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Piscataway, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state code county code

state code county code

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state Maryland

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.

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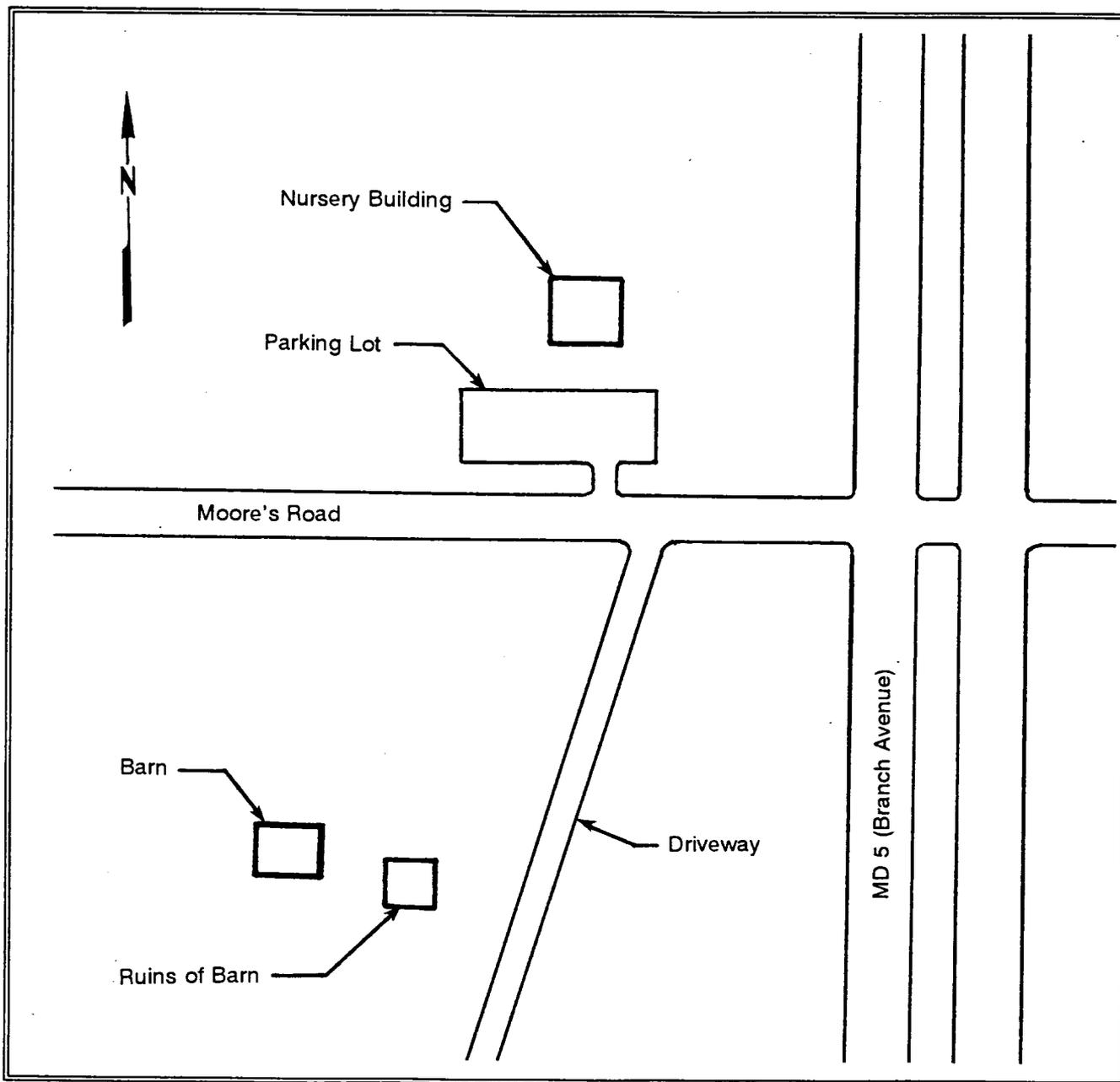
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Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Modern Period (A.D. 1930-Present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Agriculture and Economic

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

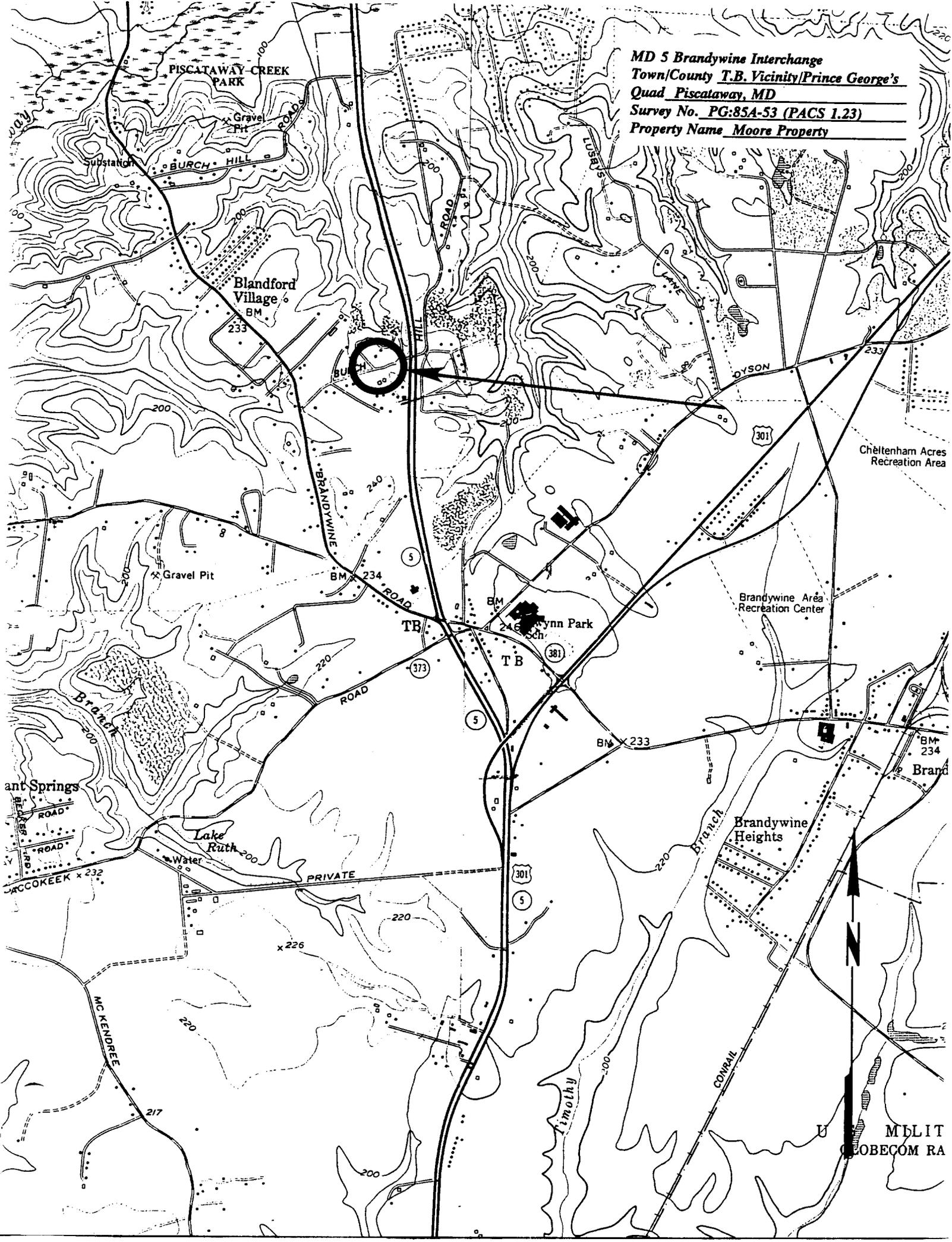
Agriculture and Commercial

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

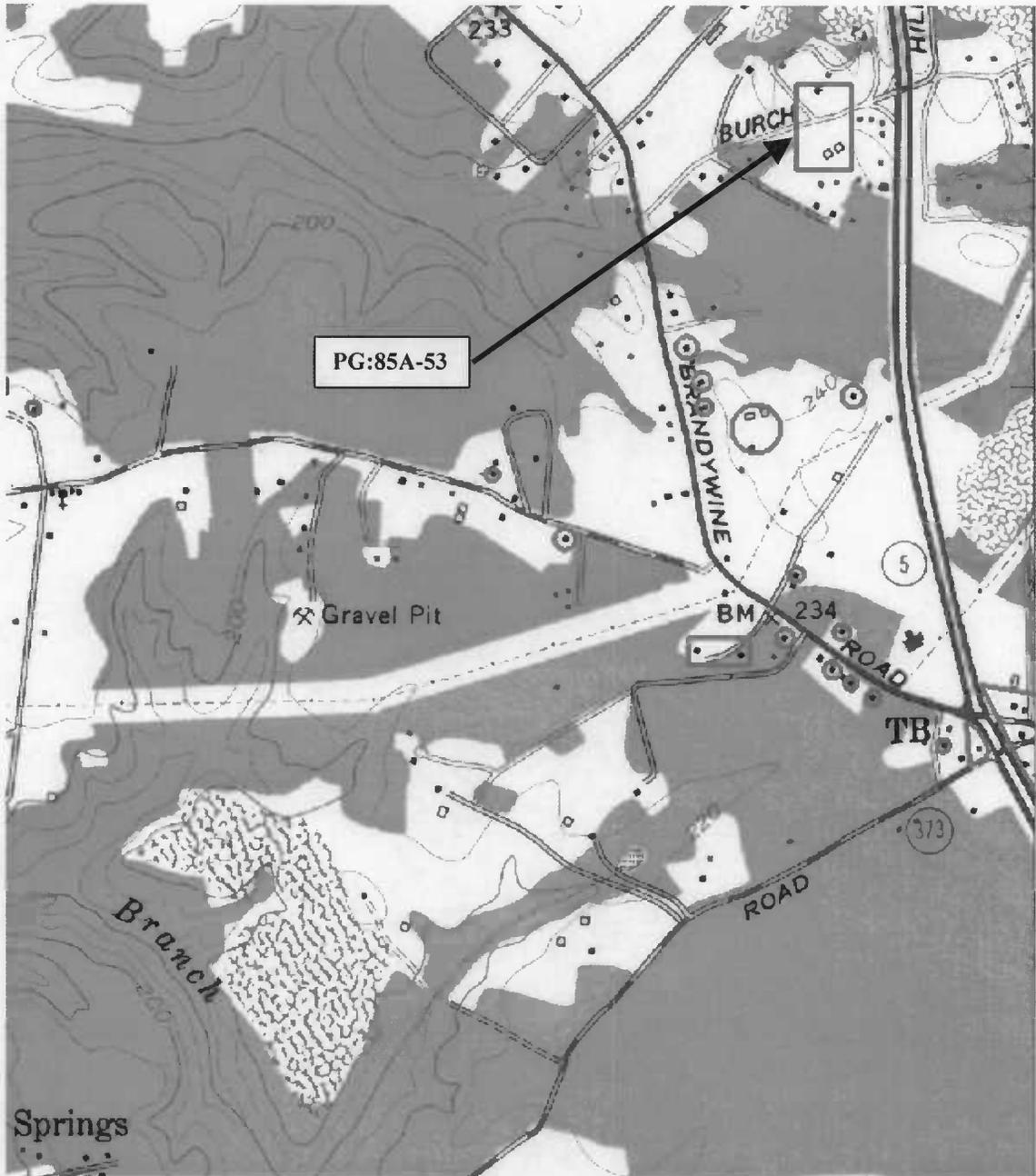
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Moore Property (Moore-Tilling Property)
7310-7410 Moores Road
Piscataway quadrangle





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2. Moore Reports

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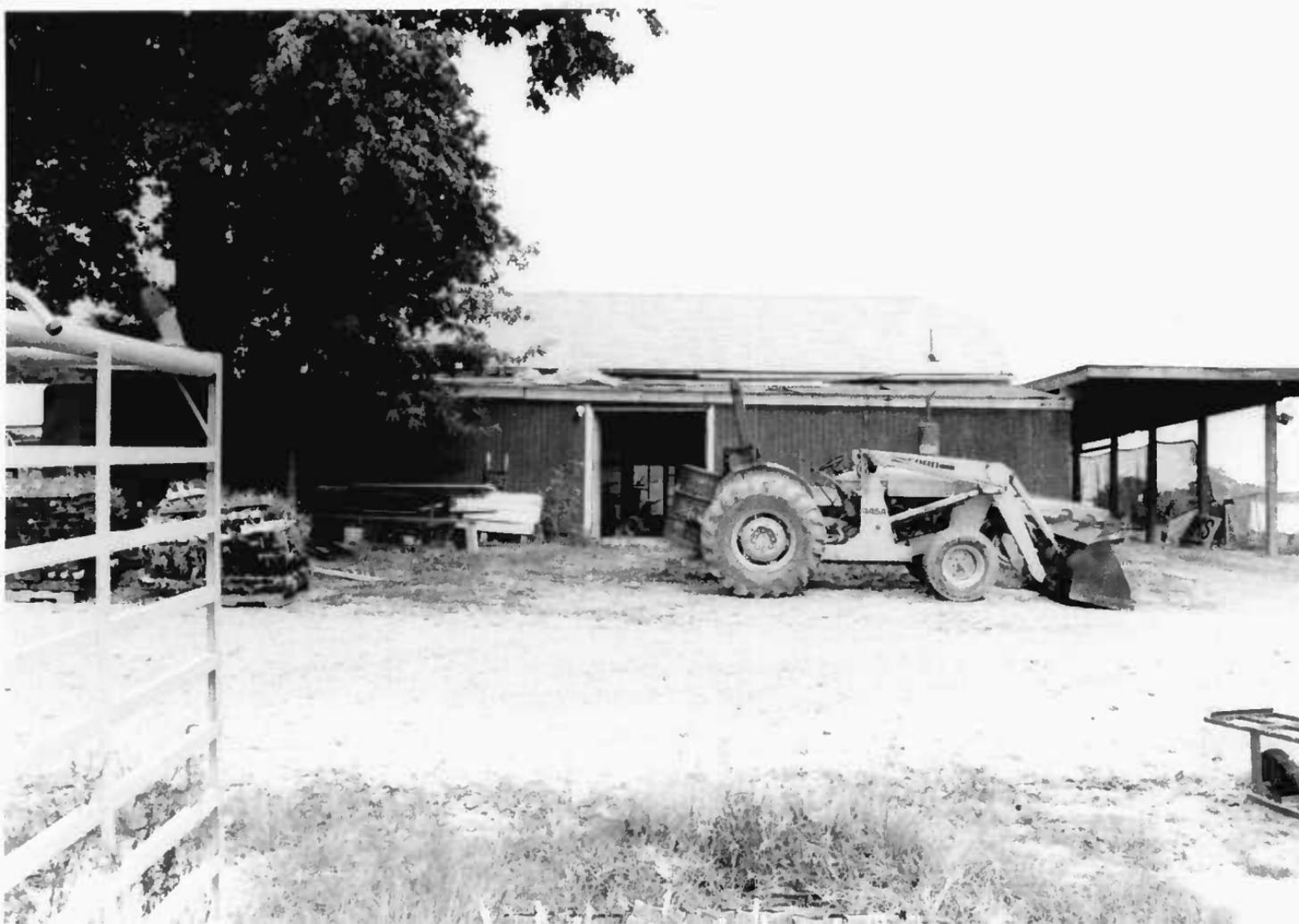
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5. 9/23

6. PRO 84PO

7. front (south) elevation

8. 1 of 9



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2. Morse Property
3. Prince George's Co, MD
4. Tom Tom Surveys
5. 9/73
6. MD 840
7. west cluster
8. 2 of 9



1. PG: 85A-53
2. Moore Property
3. Prince Georges Co, MD
Towson file: 15 393481 N N N 4 -332

4. Time Tankers

5. 7/08

6. MD SAYS

7. rear (north) elevation

8. 3 of 0



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CASH & CREDIT

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MAKE CHECKS
GARDEN CITY

WALK
IN

1. PG: 8: A-53
2. Moore Property
3. Prime Mages Co., MD

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4. Tom Vandenburg
5. 9/73
6. MD SPPS
7. east elevation
8. 4 of 9



1. PG: 35A-53
2. Moore Property
3. Prime Georgia Co. Inc.

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4. Tom Tamburino
5. 9/83
6. ME SUPS
7. Rank #1
8. 5 of 9



1. PG: 85, A. 53
2. Moore Property
3. Prince Georges Co, MD

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4. Tim Tamburino
5. 9/98
6. MD SFP
7. Baum #1
8. 6 of 9



1. PG: 85A-53
2. Moon Kopy
3. Prince Georges Co, MD

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4. Tom Tankersley
5. 9/98
6. MD 240
7. Barn #1
8. Taf 9



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2. Moore Property
3. Prince Georges Co, MD

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4. Tim Tamburino
5. 9/98
6. MD 5415
7. entrance to Lane #1
8. 8 of 9



1. P39 3A-53
2. Main Report
3. Prime Energy Co. MD

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4. Tom Tankership
5. 9/93
6. MD SAPO
7. mins of Base #2
8. 9 of 9