# CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

**Survey No.:** CH-459 (PACS B26) **Construction Date:** circa 1900

**Name:** Benjamin F. Bowling Property

**Location:** 8464 Leonardtown Road, Hughesville, Charles County

Private/Residence/Occupied/Fair/Restricted

**Description:** The Benjamin F. Bowling Property is a 1½-story, 3-bay side-gable cottage on the east side of Leonardtown Road in Hughesville, Charles County. Constructed circa 1900, the building is rectangular in plan with two rear additions. The first addition is 1-story with a shed roof. The second addition is also 1-story with a shed roof and is located at the intersection of the first addition and the main block. The two additions cover the entire first story of the rear elevation. The structure has a side-gable roof with a wide center-gable on the front elevation. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The building is of wood-frame construction with asbestos shingle siding, and it has a concrete block foundation. The windows are a combination of wood 2/2 double-hung, replacement 2/2 double-hung and wood 6/6 double-hung. A brick interior chimney is centrally located in the rear slope of the main roof. The house has a screened, hipped roof porch which wraps-around from the front elevation to the south elevation. The porch has eight wood posts and is screened.

**Significance:** Benjamin F. Bowling purchased 16.2 hectares (40 acres) in 1864 from Thomas Caggs. The house was constructed circa 1900, according to Charles County tax records. The parcel remained in the Bowling family until sold to Lewis C. Jenkins in 1910, when the size of the parcel was reduced to .40 hectares (1 acre). The parcel currently retains this size. The property was sold a number of times until the current owners, William L. and Velma Quade, acquired it in 1946. The property is a common example of a vernacular cottage which suffers from a loss of architectural and material integrity. The integrity has been compromised by two additions to the rear of the house, the replacement of windows and use of asbestos shingle siding of the exterior.

**Preparer**
**P.A.C. Spero & Company**
**January 1997**

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# Maryland Historical Trust
# Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
# MD 5 - Hughesville Project

DOE ___yes ___no

## 1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Benjamin F. Bowling Property

and/or common William and Velma Quade Property

## 2. Location:

street & number 8464 Leonardtown Road ___ not for publication

city, town Hughesville ___ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Charles

## 3. Classification:

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___district | ___public | _x_occupied | ___agriculture | ___museum |
| _x_building(s) | _x_private | ___unoccupied | ___commercial | ___park |
| ___structure | ___both | ___work in progress | ___education | _x_private residence |
| ___site | **Public Acquisition** | **Accessible** | ___entertainment | ___religious |
| ___object | ___in process | _x_yes: restricted | ___government | ___scientific |
| | ___being considered | ___yes: unrestricted | ___industrial | ___other: |
| | _x_not applicable | ___no | ___military | |
| | | | ___transportation | |

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

name William and Velma Quade

street & number 8464 Leonardtown Road, Box 234 telephone no.:

city,town Hughesville state and zip code MD 20637

## 5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Charles County liber 83

street & number Charles Street folio 201

city,town La Plata 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 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___excellent | ___deteriorated | ___unaltered | _x_original site | |
| ___good | ___ruins | _x_altered | ___moved | date of move _____ |
| _x_fair | ___unexposed | | | |

Resource Count: 5

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

The Benjamin F. Bowling Property is a 1½-story, 3-bay side-gable cottage on the east side of Leonardtown Road in Hughesville, Charles County. Constructed circa 1900, the building is rectangular in plan with two rear additions. The first addition is 1-story with a shed roof. The second addition is also 1-story with a shed roof and is located at the intersection of the first addition and the main block. The two additions cover the entire first story of the rear elevation.

The structure has a side-gable roof with a wide center-gable on the front elevation. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The building is of wood-frame construction with asbestos shingle siding, and it has a concrete block foundation. The windows are a combination of wood 2/2 double-hung, replacement 2/2 double-hung and wood 6/6 double-hung. A brick interior chimney is centrally located in the rear slope of the main roof. The house has a screened, hipped roof porch which wraps from the front elevation to the south elevation. The porch has eight wood posts and is screened.

The west, or front facade has a central entrance consisting of a panel and glass door. The entrance is flanked by two 2/2 double-hung windows. A pair of replacement 2/2 double-hung windows is located in the center gable.

The north elevation has two 2/2 double-hung windows on the first story and a 4-light casement window in the gable end. The north elevation of the rear addition has a single 6/6 double-hung window.

The rear elevation of the first rear addition has a single wood 6/6 double-hung window. The second addition has a single replacement 2/2 double-hung window. There is no fenestration on the second story.

The wrap-around porch partially covers the first story of the south elevation. Within the porch is a 2/2 double-hung window, while a second double-hung window is located outside the porch. The gable end has a 6/6 double-hung window. The north elevation of the rear additions has three replacement 2/2 double-hung windows and a panel and glass door.

According to the current owners, the interior of the house was remodeled in the 1940s.

There are four outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a metal shed constructed circa 1970. The metal shed is located east of the house. A second shed is located adjacent to the first shed. Constructed circa 1900, the second shed has a hipped roof covered with asphalt shingles and is sided with asbestos shingles. A third shed is a pre-fabricated wood-frame shed constructed circa 1980. The third shed is located north of the first two sheds and east of the house. The fourth outbuilding is a chicken coop, with an asphalt shingle roof and vertical wood siding. The chicken coop, constructed circa 1920, is located east of the house and other outbuildings.

The property is located on the east side of Leonardtown Road, with commercial property to the north, residential property to the south, east and west. The buildings are set back from the road at the end of a U-shaped driveway. Its historic setting has been altered through the construction of a modern residence to the south and a commercial building to the north.

# 8. Significance

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| Period | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| __prehistoric | __archaeology-prehistoric | __Community planning | __landscape architecture | __religion |
| __1400-1499 | __archeology-historic | __conservation | __law | __science |
| __1500-1599 | __agriculture | __economics | __literature | __sculpture |
| __1600-1699 | __architecture | __education | __military | __social/ humanitarian |
| __1700-1799 | __art | __engineering | __music | |
| __1800-1899 | __commerce | __exploration/settlement | __philosophy | __theater |
| x 1900- | __communication | __industry | __politics/government | __transportation |
| | | __invention | | __other (specify) |

**Specific dates** circa 1900 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: ___A ___B ___C ___D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: ___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.

Benjamin F. Bowling purchased 16.2 hectares (40 acres) in 1864 from Thomas Caggs. The house was constructed circa 1900, according to Charles County tax records. The parcel remained in the Bowling family until sold to Lewis C. Jenkins in 1910, when the size of the parcel was reduced to .40 hectares (1 acre). The parcel currently retains this size. The property was sold a number of times until the current owners, William L. and Velma Quade, acquired it in 1946. However, there are no detailed, published historic maps of Charles County, Maryland that locate and indicate ownership of structures.

The Maryland Colony was granted by King Charles I to Lord Baltimore in 1632. Two years later, the first European community was established at St. Mary's City. Subsequent colonization moved north, along the Potomac and Patuxent Rivers. As settlers migrated away from St. Mary's City, the formation of a new county became necessary. In 1658 Charles County was founded in an area originally inhabited by Algonquins of the Powhatan Confederacy. Road clearing began in the mid-eighteenth century as a result of the establishment of port towns and Maryland's rising population. Tobacco cultivation dominated the economic and social life of Charles County until the mid-nineteenth century when soil exhaustion required agricultural diversification. The introduction of rail lines in the late nineteenth century linked Charles County with the north and south, encouraging trade. While the suburbanization of Charles County was ensured by the widespread availability of the automobile in the mid-twentieth century, the County has retained its rural and agricultural character.

The area that became Hughesville was located in Lord Baltimore's grant of 6,879.9 hectares (17,000 acres) of Newport Hundred to Major William Boarman during 1650-1699. This land included the region "east of Zachiah Swamp" and became known as Boarman's Manor. Hughesville does not appear on an 1840 Map of a Part of Maryland, and Fisher's 1852 Gazetteer of the State of Maryland did not list the community. Hughesville was located at the crossroads of two of the main routes through Charles County: Burnt Store to Patuxent City and on to Annapolis, (Burnt Store Road and Prince Frederick Road/Route 231) and Bryantown to Charlotte Hall and on to St. Mary's City (Leonardtown Road/Route 5). Accordingly, Hughesville is shown on Martenet's 1866 Map of Maryland, Atlas Edition. The 1871 State Gazette and Merchants and Farmers Directory for Maryland and the District of Columbia called Hughesville a "post town." Bland's 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer listed both Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches in Hughesville as well as a Friends' school, four (4) general merchandise stores, two (2) saloons, two (2) undertakers, a wheelwright, a blacksmith, a tobacco buyer, and a population of fifty (50). Gannett's 1904 Gazetteer of Maryland defined Hughesville as a "post village...on the Washington,

# 8. Significance (Continued)

Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad" (Gannett 1904: 43). By 1906 the community was known as "a station of the Southern Maryland Railroad...and a banking town" with two (2) physicians, two (2) general stores, two (2) blacksmiths, a grist and saw mill, a flour mill, an undertaker and livery, a hotel, a hotel and saloon, a grocer and saloon, an insurance salesman, and a population of 150 (Maryland 1906: 667).

The Benjamin F. Bowling Property is a vernacular cottage constructed circa 1890. From the 1870s to the 1940s, the vernacular cottage style was typically built for Americans of modest means. They are characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components, such as door frames, moldings, sash and window units, and porch decoration. The development of post-Civil War machinery capable of producing large amounts of standardized housing elements, such as those found in cottages, contributed greatly to the development of the modern American housing industry. Designs for vernacular cottages were obtained from popular magazines, such as House Beautiful, or carpenter's and builder's journals, such as American Builder. A variety of front-gable, side-gable, cross-gable and hipped roof frame cottages were developed in the early to mid-twentieth century. Front-gable and hipped roof cottages are primarily 1 to 1½-stories tall, 3-bays wide and several rooms deep. Side-gable and cross-gable structures are usually 2 to 2½-stories tall, are typically 2 to 3-bays in width and vary from one to three rooms deep. They usually include a porch covered with a shed roof. Porches are supported by posts often containing machine-produced Victorian ornamentation. Some cottages feature ornamentation drawn from Craftsman style or Colonial Revival architecture (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

**National Register Evaluation:**

Constructed circa 1900, the Benjamin F. Bowling 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 is a common example of a vernacular cottage which suffers from a loss of architectural and material integrity. The integrity has been compromised by two additions to the rear of the house, the replacement of windows and application of asbestos shingle siding on the exterior. 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 X

Comments

Reviewer, OPS: _____ Date: 5/15/98

Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: 5/21/98

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Hughesville, 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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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.

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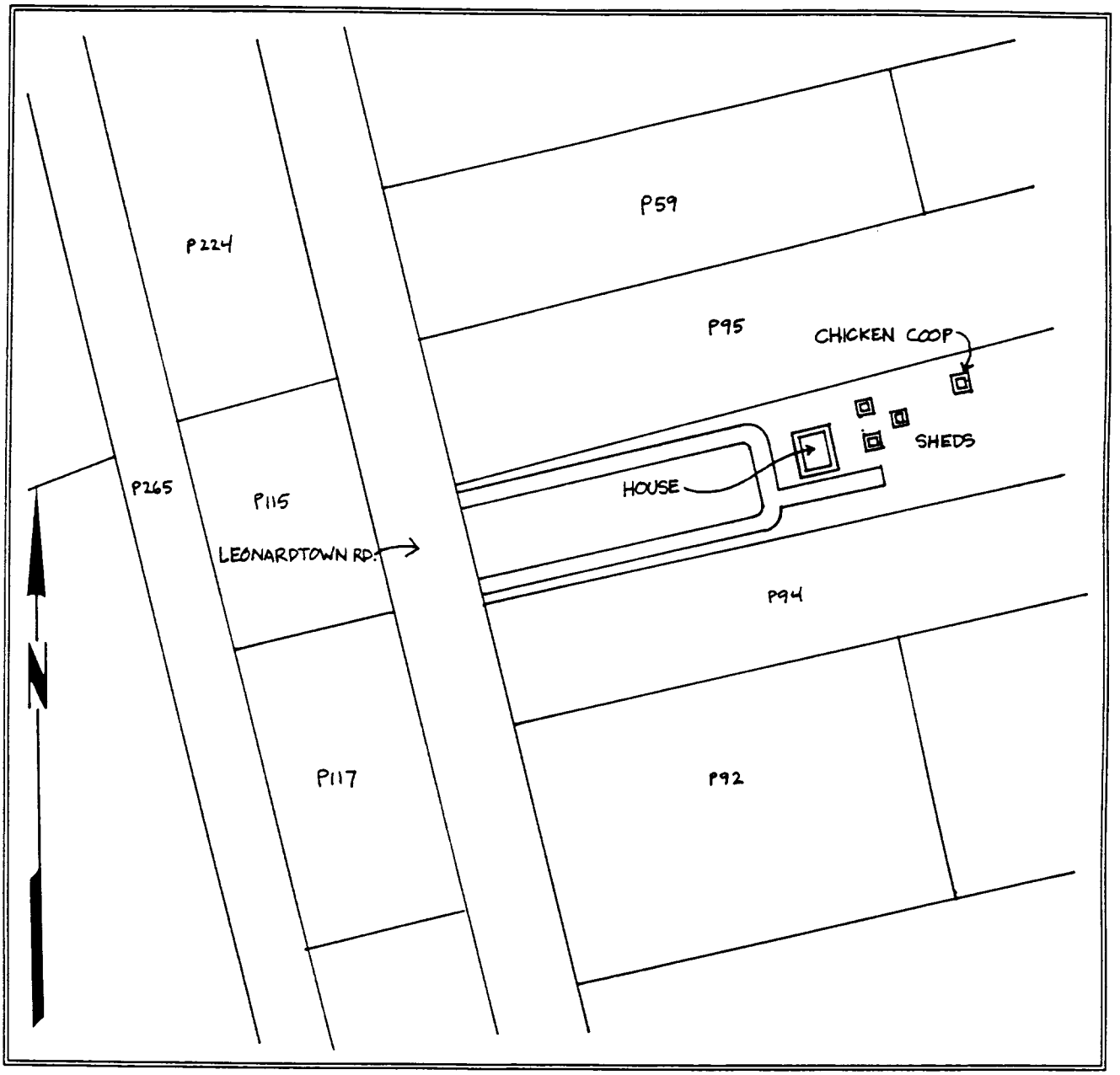
# 10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



**Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet**

**Historic Context:**

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Industrialization / Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

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

Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

MD 5 - Hughesville Project
Town/County Hughesville vicinity/Charles Co.
Quad Hughesville, MD
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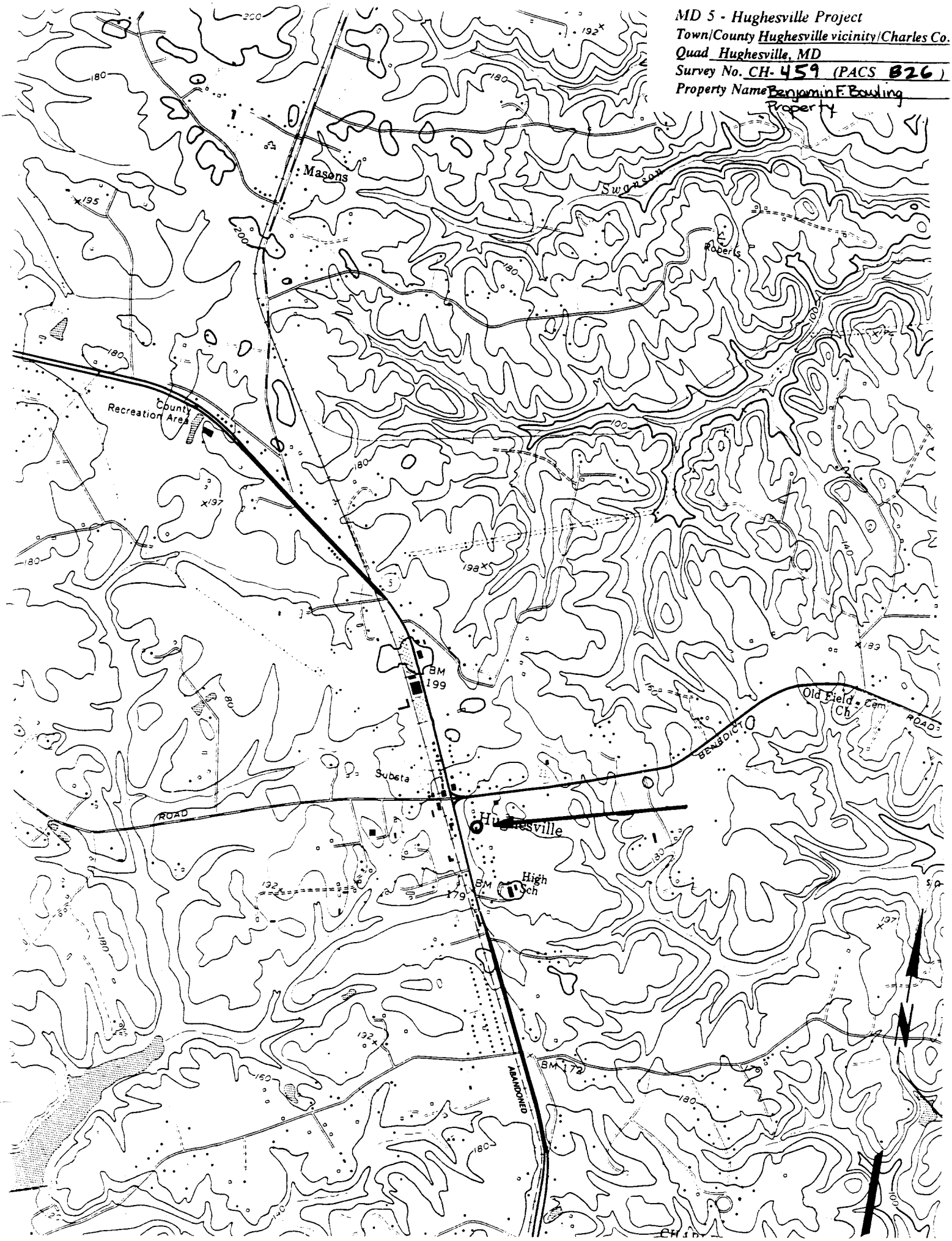

1 - CH - 459

2 - Benjamin Bowling Property

3 - Charles County, MD

4 - Tim Tamburrino

5 - January 1997

6 - MD SHPO

7 - Front and South elevation, view NE

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7- Rear elevation, view W

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1 CH-459

2 Benjamin Bowling Property

3 Charles County, MD

4 Tim Tamburrino

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6 MD SHPO

7 North elevation, view S

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1 CH-459

2 Benjamin Bowling Property

3 Charles County, MD

4 Jim Jamborsmo

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6 MD SHPO

7 Metal Shed, view S

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1 CH-459

2 Benjamin Boling Property

3 Charles County, MD

4 Jim Sanborne

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6 MD SHPO

7 Shed, view N

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7 Shed, view E

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7 Shed, view NE

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