

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historical _____
and/or common Frank A., Sr. & Julia K. Widic Farm

2. Location

street & number 10478 Worcester Highway not for publication _____
city, town Berlin vicinity of x congressional district First
state Maryland 21811 county Worcester

3. Classification

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

4. Owner of Property

name Frank A., Sr. & Julia K. Widic
street & number 10478 Worcester Highway tele. no. _____
city, town Berlin state & zip code MD 21811

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court
- Worcester County Courthouse
street & number West Market Street
city, town Snow Hill state MD zip code 21863
liber RHO 2249 folio 161

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____
date _____ federal _____ state _____ county _____ local _____
depository for survey records _____
city, town _____ state _____

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7. Description
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Survey No. WO-510
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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		(date _____)

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

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 12

The Frank A., Sr., & Julia K. Widic Farm consists of a detached, single-family dwelling and 13 outbuildings located on the east side of US 113, approximately .4 miles south of MD 452. The two-story Queen Anne vernacular building, constructed in ca. 1913, features a symmetrical west facade with three bays. The building is covered with aluminum siding, has a front-gabled roof clad with composition asphalt shingles, and rests on a brick foundation. Portions of the rear foundation are covered with pressed metal imprinted with the pattern of ashlar masonry blocks.

The building adheres to a typical Queen Anne form, consisting of a two-story, front-gabled block with a two-story bay off of one side. The west facade is noted by a large, one-story, brick addition that wraps around to the north side of the dwelling. It is fitted with a modern door and window sash and has a wood balustrade along its roofline. It is likely that this addition replaced an earlier open porch. The facade is also noted by an enclosed gable that contains a single window at the attic level. The north side of the building features the two-story, three-sided bay with its front-gabled roof. The rear (east) side of the dwelling has a one-story porch with a half-hip roof. The porch has been infilled and fitted with a modern door and window sash. The window openings on all sides of the dwelling contain modern one-over-one sash and are flanked by modern fixed shutters. A single brick ridge chimney with a corbeled top protrudes from the center of the roof.

The 13 outbuildings on the property are arranged in four groups, all to the east of the dwelling. To the northeast is a row of four outbuildings, consisting of a garage, a shed, a garage/shed, and a corn crib. The side-gabled, two-bay garage is of concrete block construction and features asbestos shingles in the gables and a roof clad with composition asphalt shingles. The facade contains a modern single-leaf door and two modern garage doors. Window openings exhibit six-light single sash and both eight- and twelve-light metal casement sash. The front-gabled shed is covered with later corrugated metal siding and roofing and features a two-over-two, double-hung sash window at the side and a modern multi-panel door at the facade. The front-gabled garage/shed is covered with corrugated metal and weatherboard and has a standing seam metal roof. The facade exhibits a sliding wood door under a partial metal canopy. To the rear is a shed addition with later metal siding and roofing and a six-over-six, double-hung sash window. The front-gabled corn crib is covered with later metal siding and roofing and features a five-panel wood door at the facade.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance-Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehist.	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-hist.	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> music	

Specific Dates	unknown	Builder/Architect	unknown
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check:	Applicable Criteria:	and/or	Applicable Exception:	Level of Significance:
<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> A		<input type="checkbox"/> E	<input type="checkbox"/> national
<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> B		<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> state
<input type="checkbox"/> C	<input type="checkbox"/> C		<input type="checkbox"/> G	<input type="checkbox"/> local
<input type="checkbox"/> D	<input type="checkbox"/> D			

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

The Frank A., Sr., & Julia K. Widic Farm survives as an early twentieth century farm complex displaying a common linear layout based on utility. The dwelling is located at the road, with the outbuildings arranged to the rear in rows for easy access. The outbuildings pertaining to the automobile and household chores are closest, while those pertaining to livestock and poultry are farther away. The dwelling follows a common form constructed throughout most of the United States in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The Widic Farm illustrates the continued development of Worcester County and the immediate locale in the early part of this century, when truck farming was replacing older agricultural models and new fruit and vegetable crops were on the rise. The raising of chickens for eggs also became a booming industry at this time (Touart 1994:165-167; Truitt and Les Callette 1977:249, 253-255).

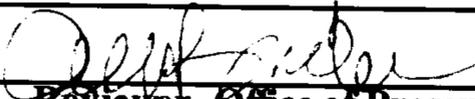
The dwelling was constructed in ca. 1913 according to the current owner, Julia K. Widic, who has lived on the property for some 60 years. Deed records are inconclusive about who may have built the dwelling, but Ms. Widic's date of construction is certainly compatible with the Queen Anne form of the building. The outbuildings on the property appear to have been constructed from ca. 1913 through perhaps the 1930s or 1940s. Using the periods from the Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data, this would place the resource in the Industrial/Urban Dominance period (A.D. 1870-1930). The current legal tax parcel containing the house and outbuildings encompasses 28 acres.

The Frank A., Sr., & Julia K. Widic Farm is recommended ineligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the criteria of eligibility in 36 CFR 60.4. Its integrity of design (mainly the dwelling), materials, workmanship, and feeling has been

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compromised by alterations. It has no known associations with significant historic events (Criterion A) or persons (Criterion B), it is not significant for its architectural style or design characteristics (Criterion C), and further research of it would not appear to yield information important in prehistory or history (Criterion D).

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E
	<input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: _____	

	10/9/98
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date
	9/1/99
Reviewer, NR program	Date

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of nominated property 28 ac.

Quadrangle name Berlin, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References - do not complete UTM references

A Zone Easting Northing

B Zone Easting Northing

C Zone Easting Northing

D Zone Easting Northing

E Zone Easting Northing

F Zone Easting Northing

G Zone Easting Northing

H Zone Easting Northing

Verbal boundary description and justification

Legal Tax Parcel Boundary (Map 20, Parcel 95)

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

state code county code

state code county code

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title M. Todd Cleveland, Senior Preservation Planner

organization TRC Garrow Associates Inc. date 9/28/98

street & number 3772 Pleasantdale Rd., Ste. 200 tele. (770) 270-1192

city or town Atlanta state GA zip code 30340-4214

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
DHCP/DHCD
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032
514-7600

To the east of the dwelling is a row of three outbuildings, consisting of a shed and two corn cribs. The front-gabled shed has later metal siding, a composition asphalt shingle roof, and a wood four-panel door at the facade. The two front-gabled cribs have later corrugated metal siding and roofing and simple board doors at their facades. Both sit on foundations made of vertical terra cotta pipes.

To the southeast of the dwelling is a large frame barn, a planter, and a shed. The front-gabled barn has been covered with later metal siding and roofing and features two attached sheds at its east end. Within the larger of the two sheds can be seen the former exterior weatherboard wall of the barn and its smaller rear shed. The open planter has a wood frame, corrugated metal sides, and a concrete block base. The frame shed is covered with later corrugated metal siding and roofing and features a fiberglass shed addition off of its south side.

To the east of the above noted outbuildings are two chicken houses. The northern chicken house is of frame construction with metal siding and a corrugated metal roof. A metal hopper is located at the east end. The southern chicken house is of concrete block construction with a corrugated metal roof. Near its northeast corner is a small frame shed.

All of the outbuildings on the property appear to be historic, except for the southernmost chicken house and the planter. A gravel loop drive provides access to and from US 113, and the property features a number of ornamental trees and shrubs as well as gardens and cultivated fields beyond the outbuildings. Also located on the same tax parcel to the south are the dwelling and outbuilding of the Edward B. Mitchell, Sr. House (WO-493).

Alterations to the dwelling include the aluminum siding, the large brick addition at the front, the infilling of the rear porch, and the modern doors, windows, and shutters. Alterations to the historic outbuildings include the later metal siding and roofing that conceals original siding, openings, and detailing.

Touart, Paul Baker

1994 *Along the Seaboard Side: The Architectural History of Worcester County, Maryland*. Worcester County Commissioners, Snow Hill, Maryland.

Truitt, Reginald V., and Millard G. Les Callette

1977 *Worcester County, Maryland's Arcadia*. Worcester County Historical Society, Snow Hill, Maryland.

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

- 1) Eastern Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

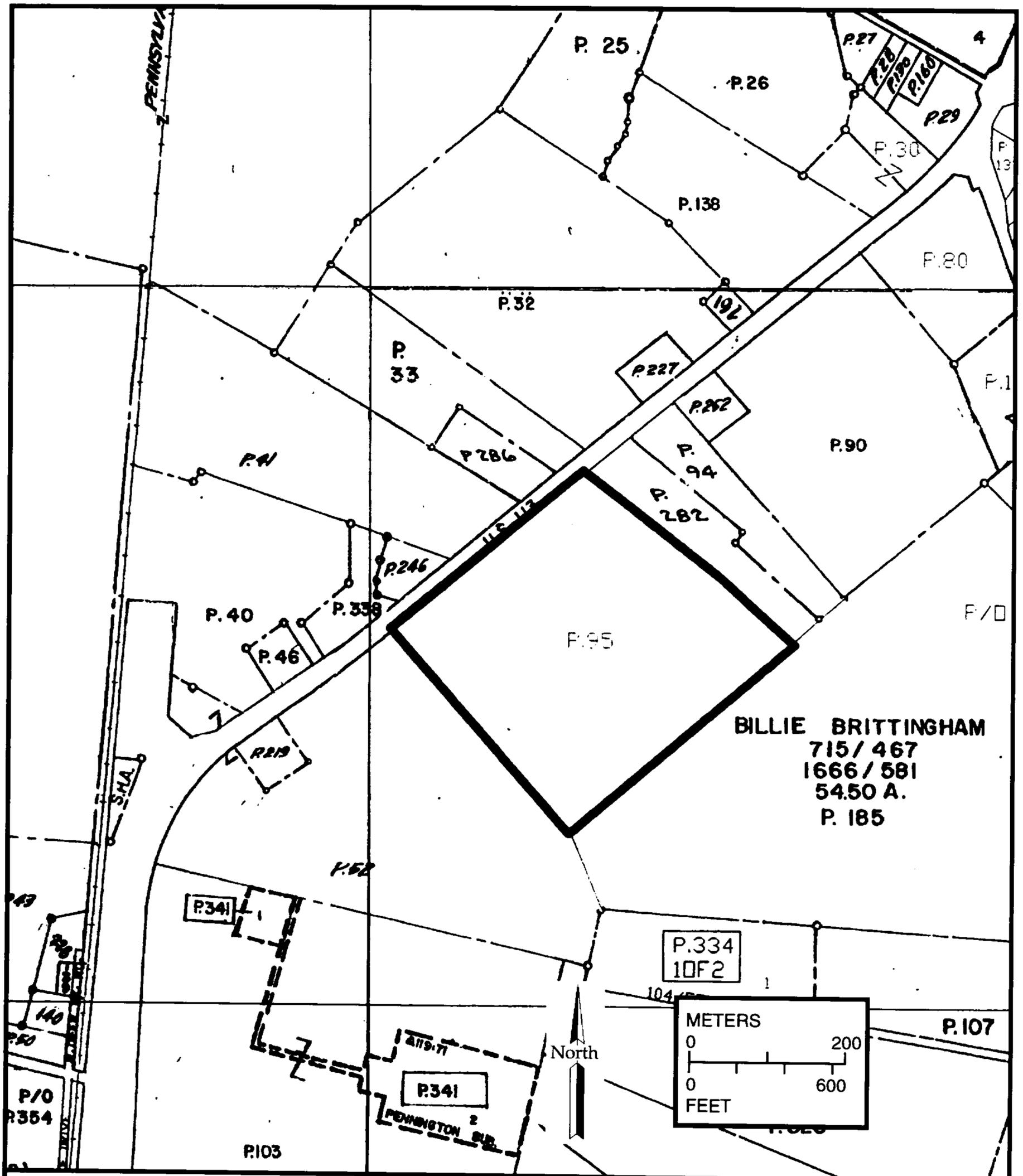
- 11) Industrial/Urban Dominance (A.D. 1870-1930)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

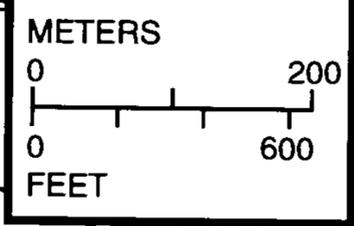
- 1) Agriculture
- 2) Architecture

Resource Type:

Category:	Buildings
Historic Environment:	Rural
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Single-family Dwelling; Farmstead
Known Design Source:	None



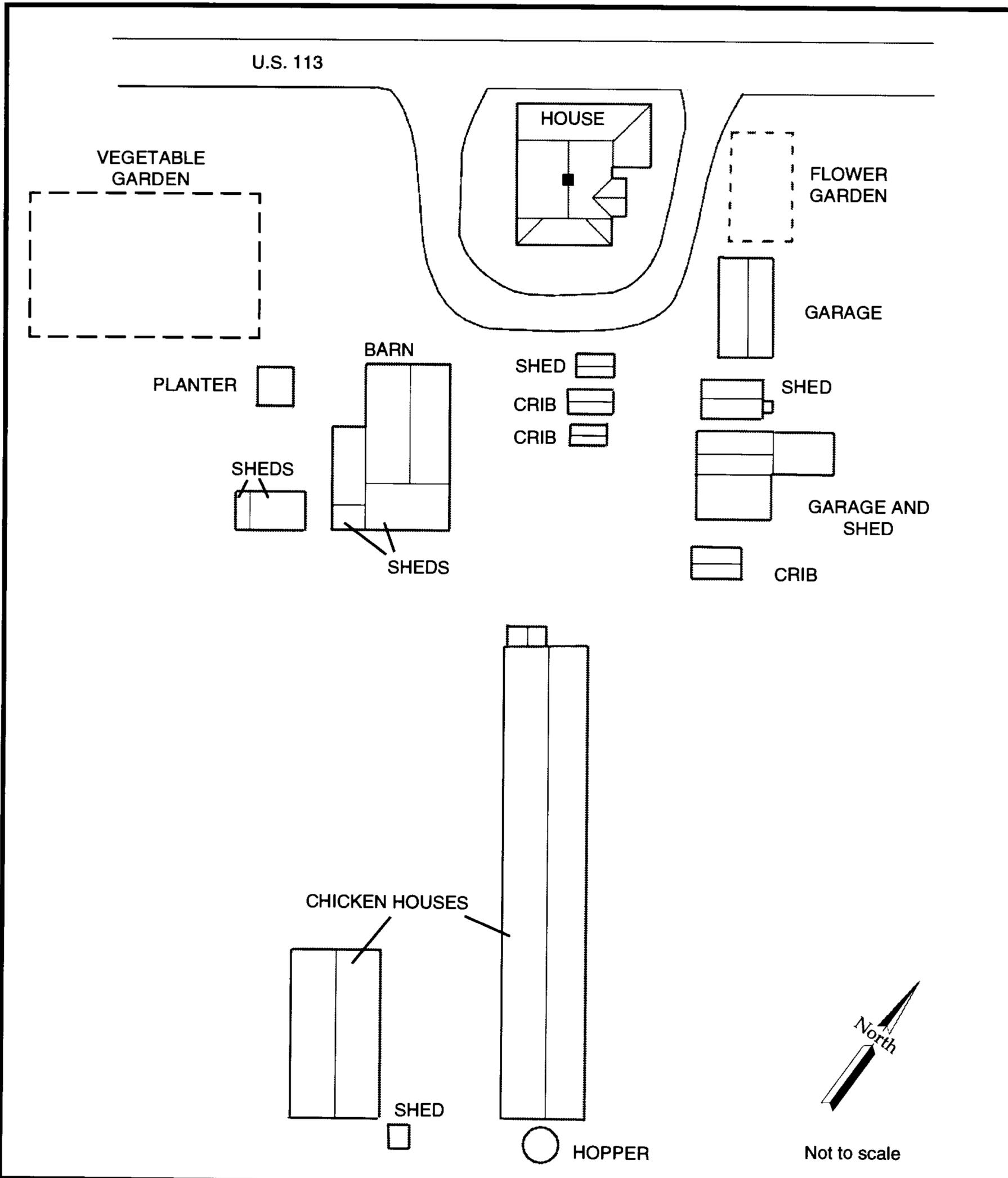
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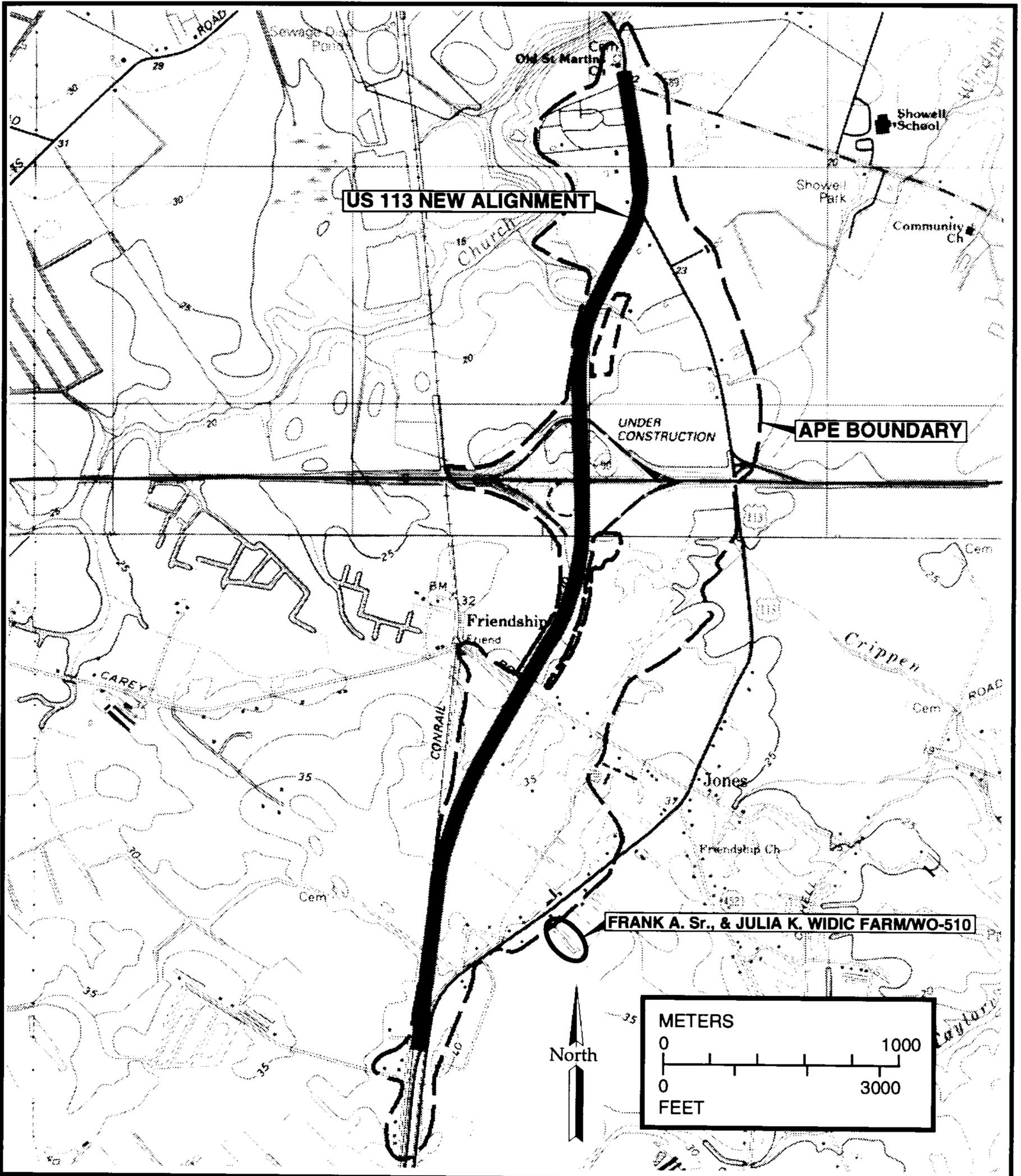
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TAX MAP

Section of Map No. 20, Parcel No. 95, Worcester County, Md.
 Containing the Frank A. Sr., & Julia K. Widic Farm/WO-510
 Berlin (vic.), Worcester County, MD.



RESOURCE SKETCH MAP
 Frank A., Sr. & Julia K. Widic Farm/WO-510
 Berlin Vicinity
 Worcester County, MD



LOCATIONAL MAP

Section of the 7.5' Selbyville, Del.-MD/Berlin, MD Quad Map (USGS 1992/1967-1981)

Showing the Frank A. Sr., & Julia K. Widic Farm/WO-510

Worcester County, MD.



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Frank A. Sr + Family (Middle Mass
County Mass)

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Worcester County, MA

Marie Charvat - photographer

Sept. 1928

Maryland SHPO - negative

Drawing, 1st W elevation

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Fossil A. 3r + Julia K. (Wasserman)

Warren County, IL

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Marie Chancellor - photographer

Sept. 1998

Manlyland SH-90 - negative

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Frank A. Sr & Julia K. Widner Farm

Worcester County, ME

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Marie's photo album - photographs

Sept. 1978

Manfred SHPO - negative.

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F. A. Tr. + Julia K. ... (as seen)

Worcester County, MS

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Major Chandler - photographer

Sept. 1900

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Fossil A. Sr. + ...
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Morning ...

Mark ... - photographer

Sept. 1998

Maryland SHPO - negative

3 ... W + S Elevations

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Worcester County, MD

Mark Chancellor - photographer

Sept. 1992

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Frank A Sr + Julia ...
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Worcester County, MA

Frank Chaveller - photographer

Sept. 1917

Worcester SHPO - negative

Shed + ... - Rear Elevations.

Looking East

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Frank A. G. & Robert W. White Farm
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W5-510 (cont'd)

Mark Chancellor - photographer

Sept. 1972

W5-510 - negative

W5-510 - White House, looking East

Sept 72



10/10/1991

Frank A. Sr + Julia M. Davis Farm

Worcester County, MD

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Mark Chancellor - photographs

Sept. 1992

Maryland SHPO - negative

Northern + Southern Chickens' Nest, 3rd
Shed - Looking East

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Fred A. Sr + Julia K. Union Farm (common)

Worship Center, NIS

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Mark Chancellor - photographer

Sept. 1998

Maryland SLPO - negative

Shed, Cow Crib, 2000 - showing NW

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Frank L. ... + Julia K. Wildie Jones
(common)

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Worcester County, MD

Mark Charollet - photographer

Sept. 2002

England 5749 - negative

Sheds + " ... - looking '1/10/12'

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1912 - 1913

Frank R. ... Sr. ...

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Worcester County, MA

Mark Shavcellor - photographer

Sept. 1912

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George ...

1912



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Francis A. D. & Julia E. Winters
Carrington

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Mark Chamberlain - photographer
Sept. 1922

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Charles W. W. Dibbs, Dwelling - looking
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Worcester County, MA

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Photo ... - photographer

Sept. 1972

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Marie Steiner - photographer

Sept. 1972

Maryland SHTO - negative

Complex, looking West