

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Tarr's Grocery Inventory Number: WO- 375

Address: 6036 George Island Landing Road City: Portersville/Stockton Zip Code: 21864

County: Worcester USGS Topographic Map: Stockton

Owner: Murphy Jerry Thomas & Marsha Hastings Is the property being evaluated a district? yes

Tax Parcel Number: 103 Tax Map Number: 94 Tax Account ID Number: 007934

Project: Verizon Wireless - Stockton Cell Site Agency: FCC

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Is the property located within a historic district? yes no

<i>If the property is within a district</i>		District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	Eligible district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	District Name: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no Non-contributing but eligible in another context <input type="checkbox"/>		

<i>If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)</i>	
Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Inventory or Historic Places

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

This rural structure, historically "Tarr's Grocery," is located on the south side of George Island Landing Road, where it intersects with Greenbackville Road, (east of Stockton) in Worcester County, Maryland. The principal dwelling dates to 1910.

The two story frame structure has recently been renovated for residential purposes. The modest rectangular building is two bays along the front façade, with sides at least twice as long as that width. Openings are arranged symmetrically around both floor levels. The single, shallow gable roof form has been refinished in a corrugated metal sheathing. It appears the building has been lifted and new brick foundation piers recently added. The porch roof may be original but other elements of the porch construction have been modified dramatically. The building was resided some time ago with asbestos shingles. Most of the original windows have been replaced with aluminum clad, one over one double hung sash windows (with storms). The two front windows flanking the main entrance on the first floor, seem to be intact. They are wood, two over two, double hung sash. The wood door is not original.

The building is not representative of a unique or significant architectural style. It is not associated with significant individuals in history. Additionally, the structure has been altered significantly and lacks an integrity of materials, design and workmanship necessary for individual listing in the National Register.

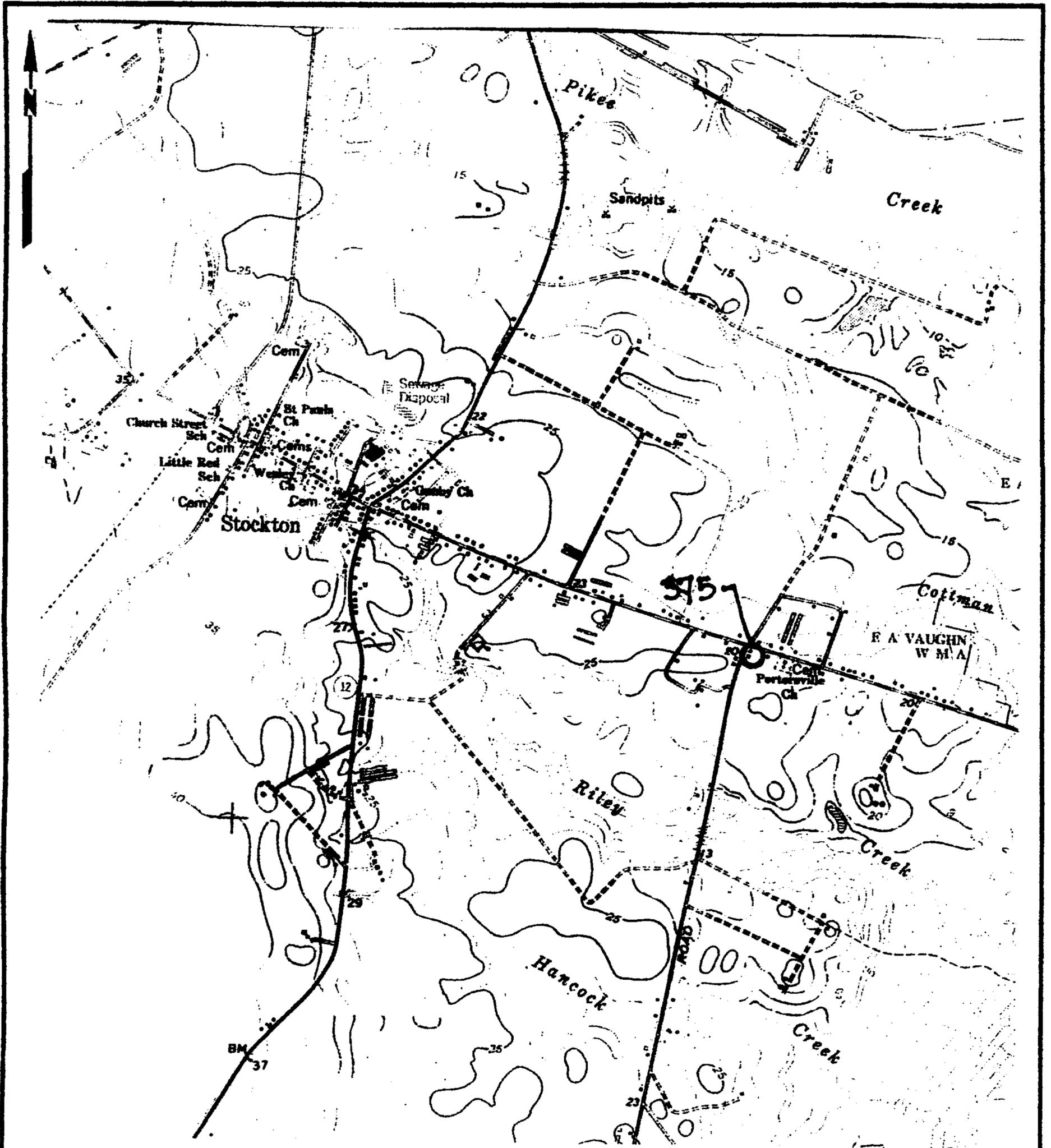
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <input type="checkbox"/> 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: <u>Alterations compromise integrity</u>	
<u>Jamie Marie Tully</u> ✓ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>9/12/02</u> Date
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, NR Program	<u>9/13/02</u> Date

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Continuation Sheet No. 1

Prepared by: Kate Mahood
Architectural Historian

Date Prepared: August 22, 2002



SOURCE: UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY 7.5 MINUTE SERIES GIRDLETREE, MARYLAND TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE; DATED 1966 (PHOTOREVISED 1980)

TARR'S GROCERY, GEORGE ISLAND LANDING ROAD
 WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND (WO-375)



WNO-375

TARR'S GROCERY

Worcester Co, MD

KATE WATKINS

AVE 2002

INDSIDE

FRONT ELEVATION (LOOKING EAST.)

PHOTO #1 of 2



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TARR'S GROCERY
WO-CO. MD

KATE MAHONEY
AUG 2002

MIDSTAD

VHEN LOOKING N.E.

PHOTO #2 of 2

WO-375
Tarr's Grocery
Stockton vicinity
Private

c. 1900

Tarr's Grocery is a turn of the twentieth century frame store that stands in the small community of Portersville, southeast of Stockton. Now clad with asbestos shingles, the two-story structure has survived relatively intact with few exterior alterations and a period store interior.

HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: TARR'S GROCERY

MHT Inventory Number: W0-375

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
COMMERCE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
Store

**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

Survey No. WO-375

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common TARR'S GROCERY

2. Location

street & number SE Corner of George Island Landing Road and not for publication

city, town Greenbackville Road
Stockton vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

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

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. W0-375

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

Tarr's Grocery is a two-story, three-bay frame store that stands on the southeast corner of the intersection of George Island Landing Road and Greenbackville Road east of Stockton in the small community of Portersville, Worcester County, Maryland. The two-story frame structure faces north with the gable roof oriented on north/south axis.

Built around 1910, the asbestos shingled frame store is supported by a brick pier foundation covered with metal sheathing in the style of rusticated concrete block. The medium pitched roof is covered with tin. Attached to the back of the main building is a single-story wing clad with asphalt shingles.

The north (main) elevation is a three-bay facade with a center double-door entrance and flanking two-over-two sash windows. The first floor is sheltered by a shed roof, chamfered post porch. Lighting the second floor are two two-over-two sash windows. The eave to the roof is slightly extended and the rafter ends are exposed.

The west side elevation facing Greenbackville Road is marked by a double-door side entrance in the southernmost bay, and a pair of two-over-two sash windows light the second floor. The east side is treated in a similar manner.

Attached to the south gable end is a single story, two-bay wing that partially covers the second floor window of the main building. A single-flue brick stack rises against the gable end. The wing is lighted by six-over-six sash windows.

The first floor interior of the store retains counters, shelving, and an enclosed stair in the southwest corner.

8. Significance

Survey No. WO-375

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
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<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.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. W0-375

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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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

11. Form Prepared By

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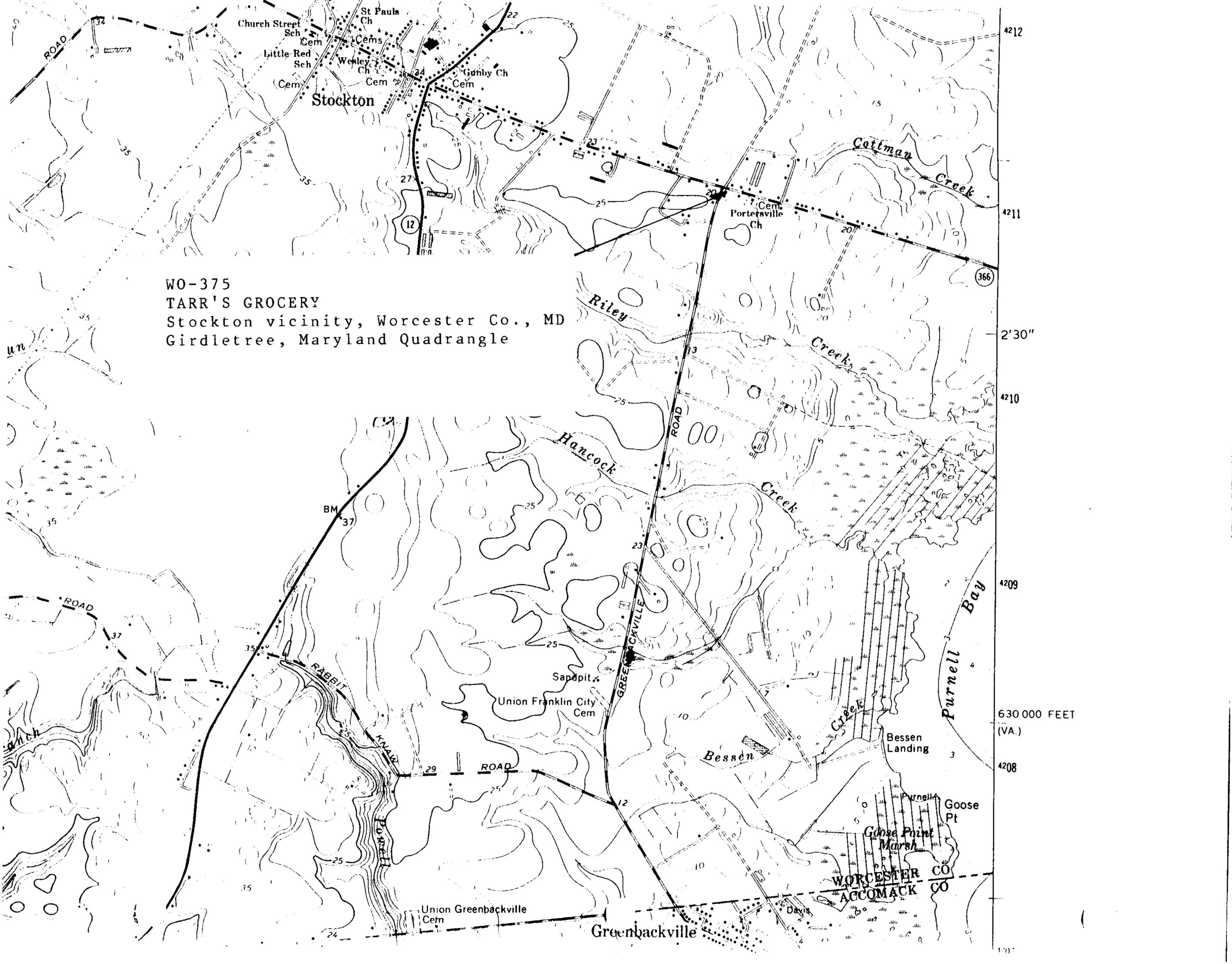
city or town Westover state Maryland 21871

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.

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TARR'S GROCERY
Stockton vicinity, Worcester Co., MD
Girdletree, Maryland Quadrangle



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