

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

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: 140814 CH-858

Address: Queen Victoria St. off St. Mary's Ave., Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Unknown

Tax Parcel Number: 155 Tax Map Number: 113

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

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

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended

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

Is property located within a historic district?: no yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: no yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

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

The dwellings on Queen Victoria Street are late 20th-century interpretations of the Queen Anne style. The Queen Anne style was popular between 1880 and 1910. The five houses that form this Survey District all have characteristics that refer to this style. They are all constructed of layered volumes with a predominant front gable roof. They make use of decorative wood detailing, bay windows and articulated porches.

The "Victorian" dwelling-type became popular in Charles County in the late 19th century. These buildings had increasingly specialized spaces: libraries for men, boudoirs for women, parlors for public visits, and sitting rooms for family activities. The many rooms resulted in irregular plans punctuated by nooks, bay windows and porches. Highlighting these irregularities was the elaborate decorative trim the outlined gables, porches, ridges, and openings.

Trends in architecture during the late-19th and early-20th centuries in Charles County reflect the proliferation of rail-road related development and the expansion of communities. Victorian styles and plans, projecting porches, towers, wrap-around porches, and ornate decorative trim became more popular as machine-produced trim became

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| <p>THESE BUILDINGS DO NOT FALL WITHIN THE 45 YEAR TIME PERIOD WE ARE SUPPOSE TO LOOK AT</p> <p><i>in report 6/10 2/10</i></p> | |
| <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services</p> | <p><u>10/26/99</u></p> <p>Date</p> |
| <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Reviewer, NR Program</p> | <p><u>7/19/02</u></p> <p>Date</p> |

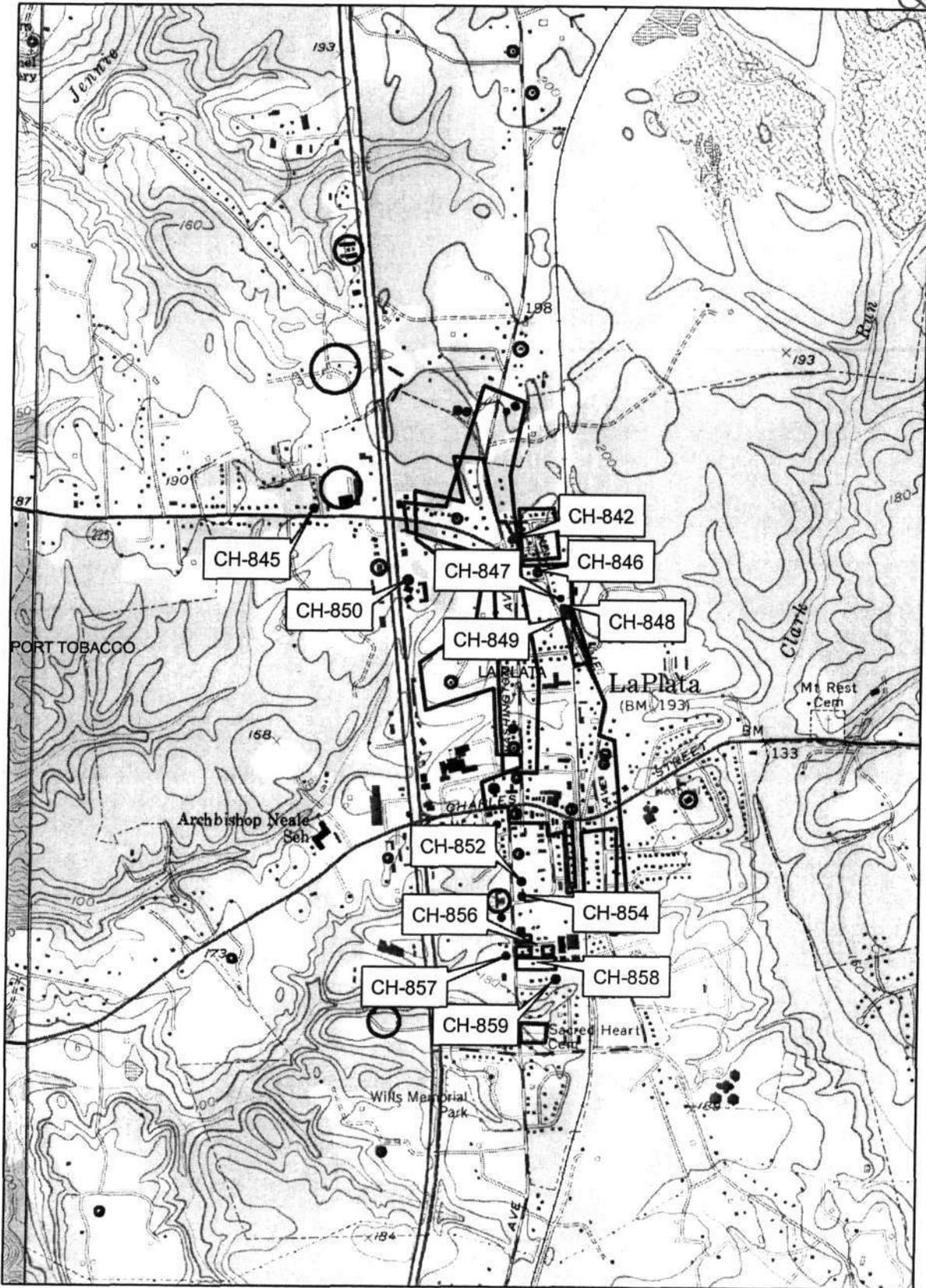


more widely available and easily shipped on the railroad. As the 20th century progressed, smaller house plans, such as the many variations on the bungalow, became more prevalent in Charles County.

Modern development of Northern Charles County began in the early 1970s as the suburbs of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties became costly and congested. This influx of residents has continued over the last few decades as modern road networks have provided commuters easy access to Washington, D.C., Annapolis, Baltimore, and other cities. By 1980, the population of Charles County increased to 72,000, tripling the number of people living in the area before 1950. Although Northern Charles County, along U.S. 301, had been significantly developed before the 1990s, the majority of Southern Charles County had remained rural and agricultural. Within the last five years, Southern Charles County has experienced significant change in the form of residential housing developments.

Built circa 1980, these Queen Anne-style influenced houses are not eligible for the National Register. They are a modern interpretation of a past style. These resources lack significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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View looking southwest

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