INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House Survey Number: G-IV-A-193

Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project Agency: MSHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ___ No ___ Yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended ___ Eligibility **not** recommended X

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

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessdary and attach map)

The Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House, built *circa* 1940, relates to the continued expansion and settlement of the Oakland and Mountain Lake Park areas in the mid-twentieth century. The development of summer vacation resorts and hotels in the Oakland area in the late nineteenth century had helped to stimulate settlement of the region. Although no longer as prominent a resort in the early and mid-twentieth century, Oakland still remained an important local mercantile and community center, and continued its growth throughout this period. Residential development on the outskirts of town typically occurred along pre-existing road networks. The Knotts house exemplifies much of the region's mid-twentieth-century residential architecture.

Research has not identified any associations with the lives of persons significant to the Oakland area's past or with events that have contributed significantly to broad patterns of the area's historical development. The architecture does not represent a particularly distinctive type, period, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master, possess high artistic values, or represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction. This resource has not yet yielded and is not likely to yield significant information important in history or prehistory.

Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and Determination of Eligibility Report (KCI/MSHA 1997)

Prepared by: Gabrielle M. Lanier/KCI Technologies, Inc.

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services — Date 7/17/98

NR program concurrence: X yes ___ no ___ not applicable

Reviewer, NR program — Date

Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House
G-IV-A-193
9335 Garrett Highway
Oakland Vicinity
Circa 1940
Private

The Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House is a one-story, three-by-two-bay, gable-roofed mid-twentieth-century frame dwelling with an open front porch tucked under an extension of the roof over the main block; a gable-roofed two-bay front dormer, a half-width roof extension on the rear elevation, and two sistered exterior masonry chimney stacks. Built with a textured tile block foundation, the house is clad in white aluminum siding and topped with an asphalt-shingled gable roof. Windows are a mixture of single and paried one-over-one, double-hung aluminum sash. Door openings contain modern metal or sliding glass doors. The house faces east and stands alone on an open, gently sloping site on Old U.S. 219 about two miles south of Oakland.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic	
other	Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House

2. Location

street & number	9335 Garrett Highway	___	not for publication
city, town	Oakland	X	vicinity
county	Garrett		

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

name	Daniel E. And Kathern L. Knotts		
street & number	6246 George Washington Highway	telephone	
city, town	Oakland	state and zip code	MD 21550

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Garrett County Courthouse	tax map and parcel	85-1-65
city, town	Oakland	liber and folio	688/848

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

___ Contributing Resource in National Register District
___ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
___ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
___ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
___ Recorded by HABS/HAER
___ Historic Structure Report or Research report at MHT
___ Other:

6. Classification

Category
___ district
X building(s)
___ structure
___ site
___ object

Ownership
___ public
X private
___ both

Current Function
___ agriculture
___ commerce/trade
___ defense
X domestic
___ education
___ funerary
___ government
___ health care
___ industry
___ landscape
___ recreation/ culture
___ religion
___ social
___ transportation
___ work in progress
___ unknown
___ vacant/not in use
___ other:

Resource Count

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

0

7. Description

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Condition

____ excellent ____ deteriorated
__X__ good ____ ruins
____ fair ____ altered

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

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The house is built on a textured tile block foundation that encloses a full cellar. The walls are clad in white aluminum siding with white trim, and the house is topped with an asphalt-shingled gable roof finished with a boxed aluminum eave. The dormer is clad in matching aluminum siding. Two sistered masonry chimney stacks rise in the center of the north gable: the earlier stack is built of brick, and a more recent stack is constructed of concrete block. Rectangular metal louvers in the gable and dormer peaks ventilate the attic.

Windows are a mixture of single and paired one-over-one, double-hung aluminum sash finished with aluminum surrounds. Several fixed two-light sash windows light the cellar. The front entrance, which is centered on the east elevation, contains a modern paneled metal door. The rear entrance pierces the opposite elevation and is located beneath the roof extension on the southwest corner of the house; this opening is fitted with a pair of modern sliding glass doors. Two additional openings pierce the south and north sides of the front porch, and may lead into the cellar.

The front porch rests on a foundation or piers that have been concealed behind a skirt of aluminum siding. This porch consists of a wooden deck, scrolled metal supports, and a metal balustrade and rail. It is topped by an extension of the front slope of the roof covering the main block. Aluminum siding fills the exposed gables of this roof extension. A double-sided set of open ladder steps resting on a concrete landing leads from the yard up to the porch level.

A long, low, modern shed-roofed frame shed stands southwest of the house. This building is sheathed in a combination of plywood and corrugated metal. The roofing material was not visible when the property was surveyed due to a significant snow cover. A door on the north gable leads to the interior.

The house is squarely oriented to the road. An L-shaped macadam driveway runs along the southern side of the house and turns to lead toward the front porch. The property is almost completely open and slopes gently downhill to the rear. Although the house is presently occupied and remains in good condition, its integrity has been compromised by the extensive use of aluminum siding.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
__ 1600-1699	__ agriculture	__ economics	__ health/medicine	__ performing arts
__ 1700-1799	__ archeology	__ education	__ industry	__ philosophy
__ 1800-1899	__ architecture	__ engineering	__ invention	__ politics/government
X 1900-1999	__ art	__ entertainment/ recreation	__ landscape architecture	__ religion
__ 2000-	__ commerce	__ ethnic heritage	__ law	__ science
	__ communications	X exploration/ settlement	__ literature	__ social history
	__ community planning		__ maritime history	__ transportation
	__ conservation		__ military	__ other:

Specific dates Circa 1940 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Evaluation for:

X National Register ____ Maryland Register ____ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:	Western Maryland
Chronological/Developmental Period(s):	Modern Period A.D. 1930 - Present
Historic Period Theme(s):	Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category:	Building
Historic Environment:	Rural
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling
Known Design Source:	None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 15.91 acres
Acreage surveyed 15.91 acres
Quadrangle name Oakland, MD - WVA
Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 65, Map 85, Grid 1

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Gabrielle M, Lanier / Architectural Historian		
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city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032
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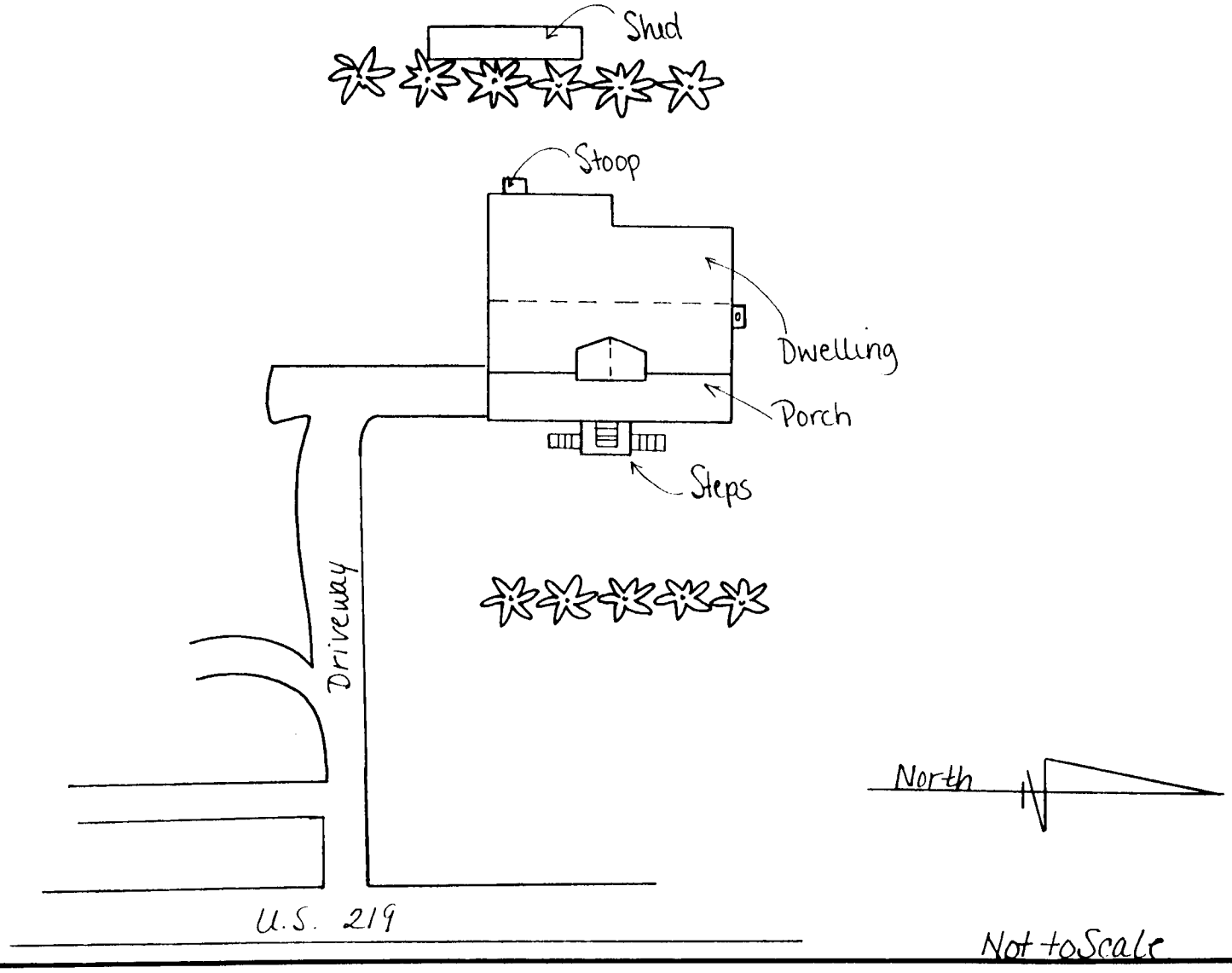

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Resource Sketch Map

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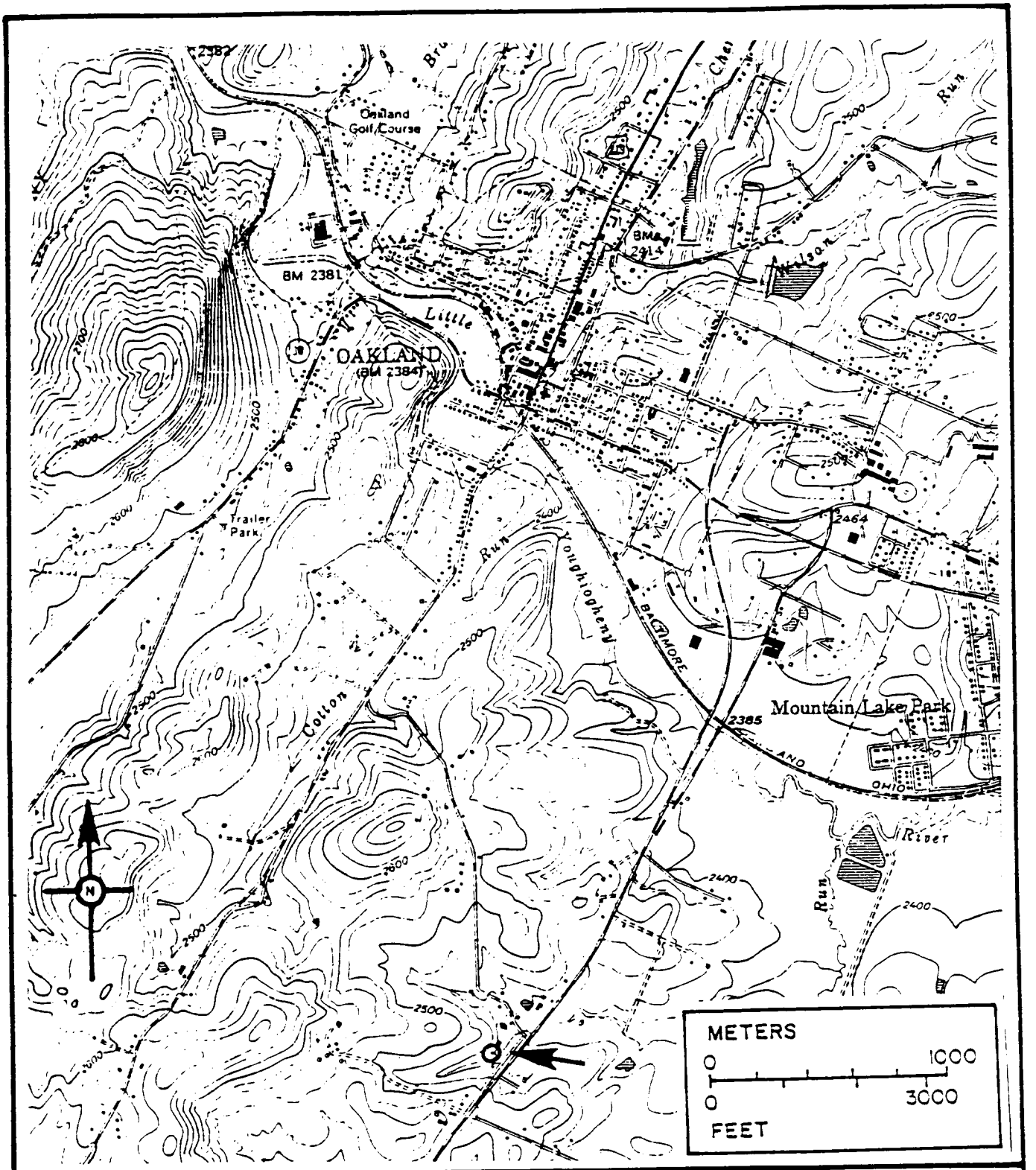
Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County



Location Map

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Daniel E. and Kathern L. Knotts House
Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County
Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle Map (USGS 1974)

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