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

Property/District Name: Gary F. DeBerry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm Survey Number: G-IV-A-238

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 Gary F. DeBerry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm, with its earliest dwelling built *circa* 1900 and its primary barn constructed in the nineteenth century, documents the agricultural landscape surrounding the county seat of Oakland in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Agriculture was the predominant economic activity outside of Oakland in the late nineteenth century, as farmland comprised about 50 percent of the county's land mass in 1880, and more than 60 percent by 1910. Farms of this period typically raised potatoes, orchard products, oats, corn, buckwheat, wheat, rye, and barley as well as cattle, sheep, swine, and horses.

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 5/1/98 Date

NR program concurrence: X yes ___ no ___ not applicable

Reviewer, NR program Date

Gary F. DeBerry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm
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201 DeBerry Lane
Oakland Vicinity
Circa 1900
Private

This farm complex, which is located about three miles northeast of Oakland, includes three houses and numerous outbuildings and agricultural buildings. The oldest house is an early twentieth-century two-story, two-by-three-bay, gable-roofed frame dwelling with a full-width one-story shed-roofed front addition and a full-width one-and-one-half-story rear addition. The house has experienced multiple alterations and retains almost no integrity. It includes a metal-skirted foundation, incised plywood and corrugated metal siding, and a standing seam metal roof with two masonry chimneys. Windows include one-over-one, double-hung wood and metal sash and single-pane horizontal sliding sash with wooden surrounds. The front entrance contains a solid wood and glass door. Many relatively modern buildings stand on the property, including six sheds, three barns, a corn crib, two tractor sheds, two wood sheds, a garage, two silos, and two other houses. Historic buildings on the property include a relatively unaltered frame granary, a frame bank barn with hewn and mortised principal framing members, and two frame sheds.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other Gary F. DeBerry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm

2. Location

street & number 201 DeBerry Lane ____ not for publication

city, town Oakland _X_ vicinity

county Garrett

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

name Rebecca S. Sines

street & number 4495 Herrington Man 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 72-17-49

city, town Oakland liber and folio 672/850

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
_X_ 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	
6	16	buildings
0	0	sites
2	0	structures
0	0	objects
8	16	Total

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

0

7. Description

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Condition

____ excellent ____ deteriorated
____ good ____ ruins
_X_ fair ____ altered

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

This farm complex, which is located about three miles northeast of Oakland, includes three houses and numerous outbuildings and agricultural buildings. The oldest house is an early twentieth-century two-story, two-by-three-bay, gable-roofed frame dwelling with a full-width one-story shed-roofed front addition and a full-width one-and-one-half-story rear addition. The main core of the house is a two-story, two-by-one-bay single-pile building. The taller rear addition joins the rear slope of the roof over this main block, forming a saltbox-shaped roof. The house faces north-northeast and stands on a mostly open site in the midst numerous related farm buildings about three miles northeast of Oakland.

The foundation of the house is concealed behind a metal skirt stamped to simulate rockfaced concrete block. The walls are sheathed in natural-colored incised plywood on three elevations and green corrugated metal on the northeast elevation. The roof is clad in standing seam metal and finished with an open verge and a wooden eave. An interior brick chimney rises at the junction between the main block and the one-and-one-half-story addition, and an exterior concrete block chimney with a projecting clay flue rises on the northwest elevation over an existing window opening. A rectangular louver that pierces the top of the southeast gable ventilates the attic.

Fenestration consists of single and paired, one-over-one, double-hung wood and metal sash and single-pane horizontal sliding sash finished with wooden surrounds. The front entrance leads into the northernmost corner of the northeast elevation. It contains a solid wooden door lit by a single glass pane. No porches are present.

Several other relatively modern buildings stand on the property. Behind the house stands a gambrel-roofed prefabricated plywood shed. Just off the north corner of the house stands a modern gable-roofed, gable-fronted one-story garage. This is a frame building with its primary entrance on the southeast gable. A modern two-story brick dwelling stands a little further to the north, and a modern ranch house is located northeast of the brick house. Two modern gable-roofed frame woodsheds stand near the ranch house. Two open-sided frame sheds, one topped with an asphalt-shingled gambrel roof, and the other topped with a rolled asphalt gable roof, are also located further east. To the south are a shed-roofed corn crib and three relatively modern gable-roofed barns. Two tractor sheds, one of which is built of concrete block, stand east of the house.

Historic buildings on the property include a frame granary, a frame bank barn with two silos, and two frame sheds. The two-story gable-roofed frame granary stands to the southwest of the cluster of dwellings. This building rests on stone piers, is clad in wooden weatherboards with flat corner boards, and topped with a corrugated metal roof finished with a wooden eave and flat wooden verge. A single centrally-placed entrance containing a vertical-board door pierces the southeast gable. The door opening is finished with wooden surrounds. The interior framing members are constructed of sawn lumber, and the interior is partitioned into storage bins.

A large bank barn also stands nearby. This building rests on a roughly dressed stone foundation that has been infilled in some spots with concrete block. The walls are sheathed in a combination of weatherboards and vertical wooden boards, and the roof is clad in corrugated metal. A full-width concrete-block addition spans the barn's northeast elevation. A large garage-sized opening leads into the northwest side of this addition, and a second, standard-sized opening is centered on the northeast elevation. Two 1/3-width frame additions flank the embankment on the southwest elevation. These additions are built on concrete block foundations and clad in wooden weatherboards and wide horizontal boards. The principal framing members are hewn and mortised. The barn is presently used to house a sizable dairy herd. A concrete silo topped with a metal dome roof stands off of the northwest gable, and a metal silo stands adjacent to the southeast gable.

A gable-roofed frame shed clad in vertical wooden boards overlaid with asphalt brick stands northeast of the bank barn. No foundation is visible; the sill rests directly on the ground at the north elevation. The building is topped with a corrugated metal roof with exposed rafter feet and lit by several wooden fixed-sash windows. According to the owners, this building once served as a dwelling and was moved here from another location.

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On the hill beyond this large cluster of buildings stands a frame shed clad in board-and-batten siding and topped with a corrugated metal roof. The foundation of the building was not visible when the property was surveyed.

The entire complex is spread across a mostly open, flat or gently rolling site. A long, meandering drive leads from the main road past the three dwellings and toward the principal bank barn, then extends southeastward past most of the modern buildings and toward the open fields beyond. To the southwest of the bank barn a farm lane continues uphill toward more open fields. Two farm ponds are also located on the property: one stands just north of the bank barn, and the second pond is located just west of the first one. The bank barn is constructed with its ramped side near a natural uphill slope.

Although the house is presently occupied, it is only in fair condition and retains almost no integrity. Of all the historic outbuildings on the property, the frame granary appears nearly unaltered and retains the most integrity, and while the bank barn has experienced several additions, most of its first-period framing is still in place.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
__ 1600-1699	_X_ 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 1900 **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).

The Gary F. DeBerry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm, with its main dwelling built *circa* 1900, documents the agricultural landscape surrounding the county seat of Oakland throughout much of the twentieth century. Agriculture was the predominant economic activity outside of Oakland in the early twentieth century. Even as mechanization began to alter many farming practices, most of the area's residents still worked the land. Twentieth-century farms in the area focused on producing milk, potatoes, hay, corn, small grains, buckwheat, oats, garden vegetables, and maple sugar.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:	Western Maryland
Chronological/Developmental Period(s):	Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
Historic Period Theme(s):	Agriculture
Resource Type:	
Category:	Building
Historic Environment:	Urban
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling
Known Design Source:	None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 100.09 acres
Acreage surveyed 100.09 acres
Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WV
Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 49, Map 72 , Grid 17

11. Form Prepared By

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city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

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Crownsville, MD 21032
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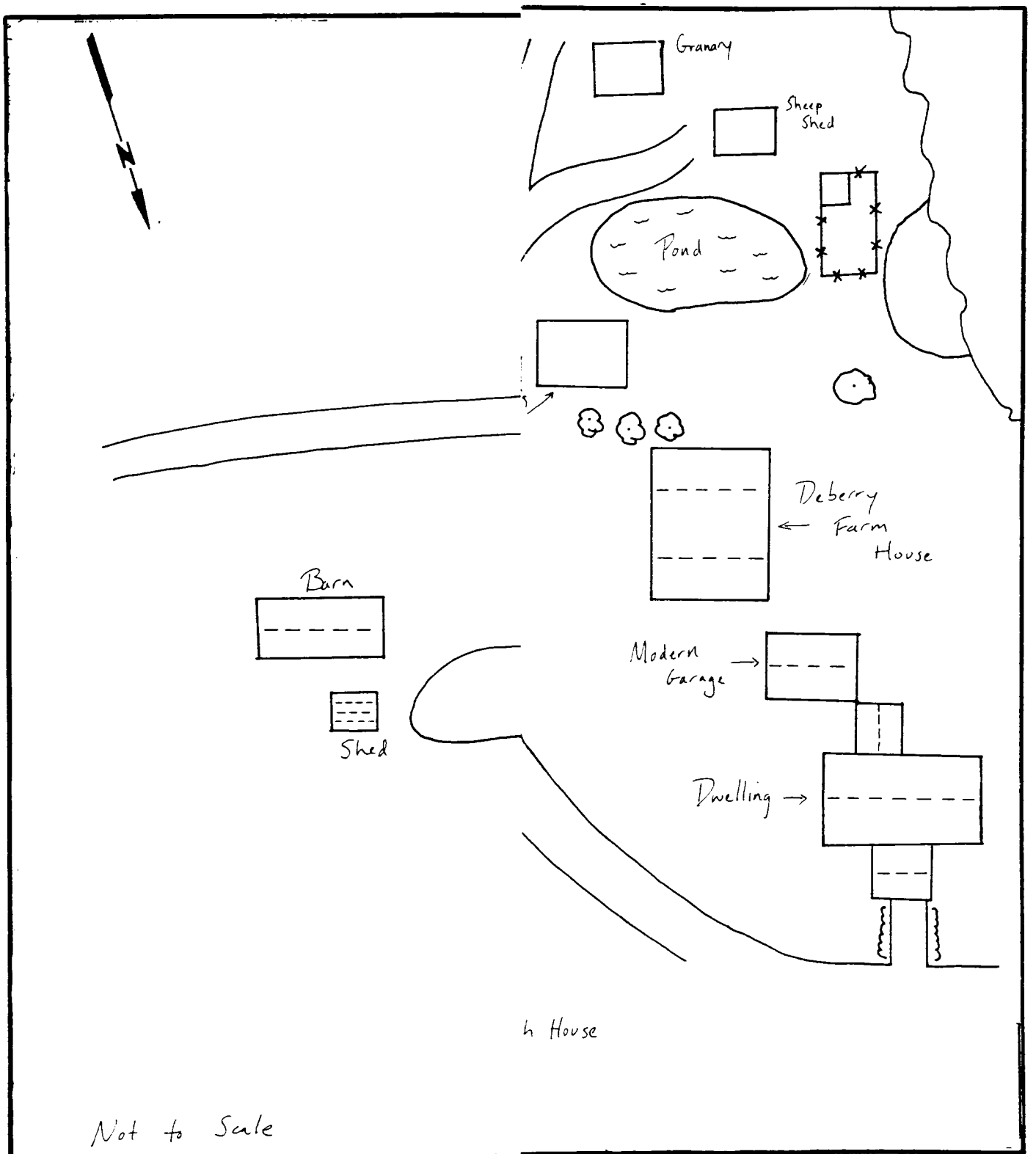

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Resource Sketch Map

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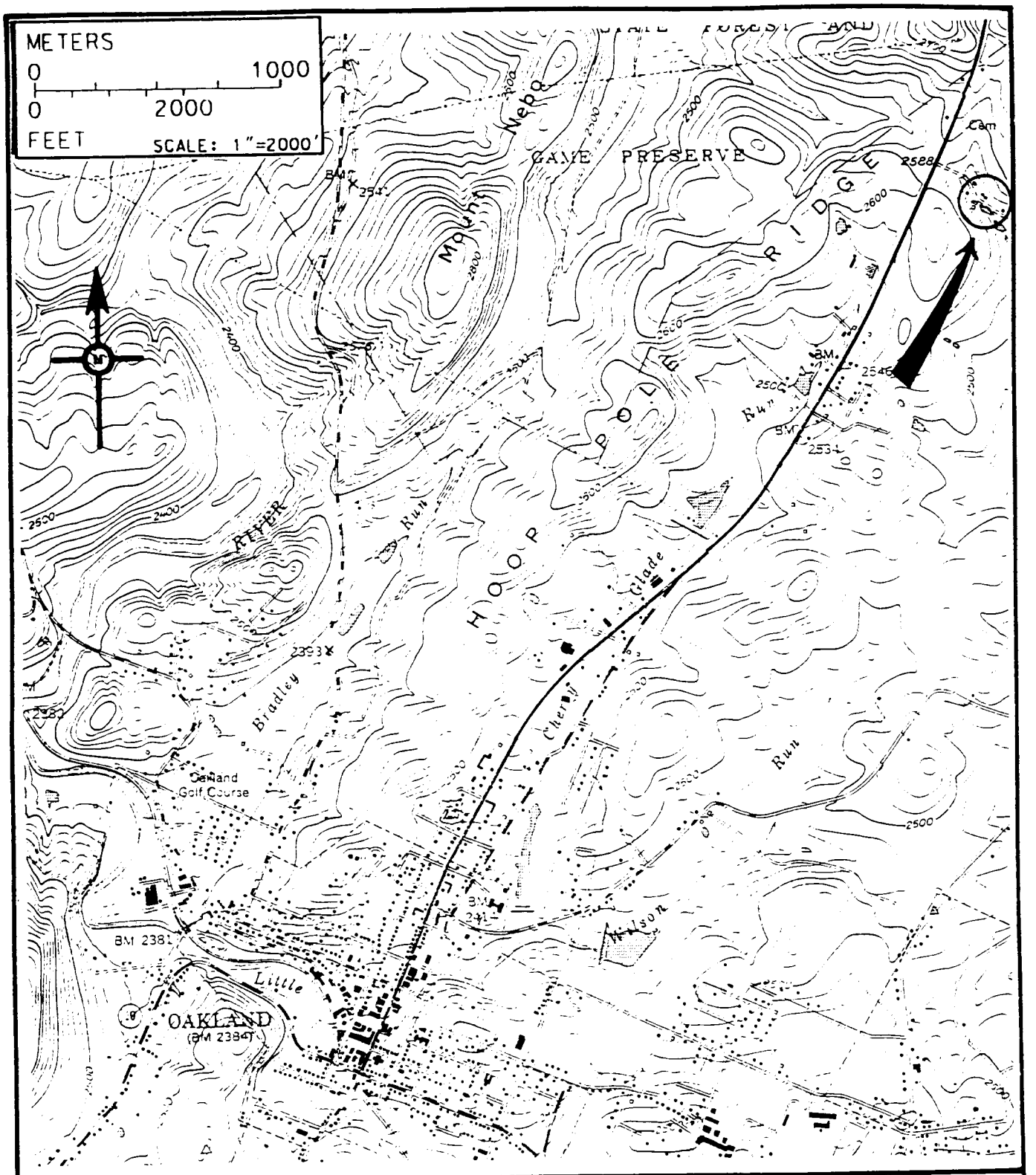

Location Map

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Gary F. Deberry and Carolyn M. Pelton Farm
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Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle Map (USGS 1974)

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