

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

Property/District Name: Dennis R. And Jeri J. Swartzentruber Farm Survey Number: G-IV-A-270

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

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

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

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

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

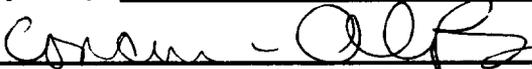
The Dennis R. and Jeri J. Swartzentruber Farm, with the core of its main dwelling built circa 1890, documents the agricultural landscape surrounding the county seat of Oakland in the early twentieth century. Agriculture was the predominant economic activity outside of Oakland in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, 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. Even in the subsequent decades of the twentieth century, as mechanization began to alter many farming practices, most of the area's residents were still employed in agriculture. Twentieth-century farms in the area focused on producing milk, potatoes, hay, corn, small grains, buckwheat, oats, garden vegetables, and maple sugar.

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

7/20/98
Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable


Reviewer, NR program

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Dennis R. And Jeri J. Swartzentruber Farm (Crown's Livestock)
G-IV-A-270
0.3 Mile east of Norris Welch Road
Oakland Vicinity
Circa 1890
Private

This farm complex includes a house and several other buildings. The house is a two-story, three-by-two-bay, T-plan gable-roofed frame dwelling with an open shed-roofed front porch, a shed-roofed rear addition, a partial hip-roofed side addition, and a projecting three-sided bay. The house is built with a poured concrete foundation, aluminum-sided walls, and an asphalt-shingled gable roof with two exterior concrete block chimneys. Windows are mostly single one-over-one, double-hung aluminum sash with aluminum trim. The door openings contain wood and glass or modern metal doors with aluminum surrounds. Outbuildings on the property include a pyramidal-roofed, rockfaced concrete block garage, a small gable-roofed rockfaced concrete block springhouse, and two modern metal barns. The house faces southeast and is located on a gently sloping, open site off of Pleasant Valley Road about two miles southeast of Oakland.

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7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 includes a house, a garage, a springhouse, and two modern barns. The house is a two-story, three-by-two-bay, T-plan gable-roofed frame dwelling with an open shed-roofed front porch, a shed-roofed rear addition, and a partial hip-roofed side addition. The building has been further extended with a projecting three-sided bay on the southwest elevation. The house faces southeast and is located on a gently sloping, open site off of Pleasant Valley Road about two miles southeast of Oakland.

Built on a poured concrete foundation that encloses a full cellar, the house is presently sheathed in blue aluminum siding. The walls are further finished with white aluminum window trim and red shutters. The building is topped with an asphalt-shingled gable roof finished with an aluminum eave. Two exterior concrete block chimneys rise on the northeastern elevation. Louvered metal vents near the roof peak ventilate the attic.

Windows consist primarily of single one-over-one, double-hung aluminum sash finished with aluminum surrounds. One three-part casement window lights the northwest elevation of the side addition. The front door opening is centered on the facade and contains a wooden nine-light half-glass door. A glass transom overhead lights this entrance. The rear entrance, located just to the left of center on the opposite elevation, is fitted with a wooden door lit by a two-light glass upper section. A cellar entrance on the northeast elevation contains a solid metal door. All door openings are finished with aluminum surrounds.

The front porch rests on piers of some sort, but the piers themselves were not visible when the house was surveyed. This porch includes a wooden deck encircled by a wooden balustrade and rail, four-by-four wooden posts, and an asphalt-shingled shed roof. The rear porch is built on a concrete block foundation. It consists of an open wooden deck encircled by a wooden balustrade and rail. Concrete steps lead up to the level of the porch deck. All of the additions are clad in aluminum siding to match the house.

A square, pyramidal-roofed, rockfaced concrete block garage stands northeast of the house. Both the walls and foundation of this building are constructed of rockfaced concrete block. The roof is clad in hexagonal green asphalt shingles and finished with exposed rafter feet. Several three-over-one, double-hung wooden sash windows finished with wood surrounds and concrete sills light the building. Access to the interior is provided by a set of sliding vertical board garage-sized doors on the northwest elevation. A standard-sized paneled wooden door pierces the southeast elevation. Adjacent to the garage stands a one-half-story gable-roofed springhouse, also built of rockfaced concrete block. This building is topped with an asphalt-shingled roof finished with an aluminum eave. A solid wooden door on the northwest elevation leads to the interior. Two modern metal barns, both clad and roofed with metal, stand southwest of the house.

The house and surrounding yard are enclosed by a fence. Several open pastures stretch beyond the fence to the north and southwest. The house stands at the end of a long, curving driveway that leads from Pleasant Valley Road and terminates in a large parking area. Several large trees shade the immediate house lot, but most of the property is open. Although the house is currently occupied and in good condition, the extensive use of aluminum siding has compromised its integrity.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates	Circa 1890	Builder/Architect	Unknown
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Evaluation for:

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):	Industrial / Urban Domination A.D. 1870-1930
Historic Period Theme(s):	Agriculture
Resource Type:	
Category:	Buildings
Historic Environment:	Rural
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling and outbuilding
Known Design Source:	None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 18.63 acres

Acreage surveyed 18.63 acres

Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WVA

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 110, Map 85, Grid 10

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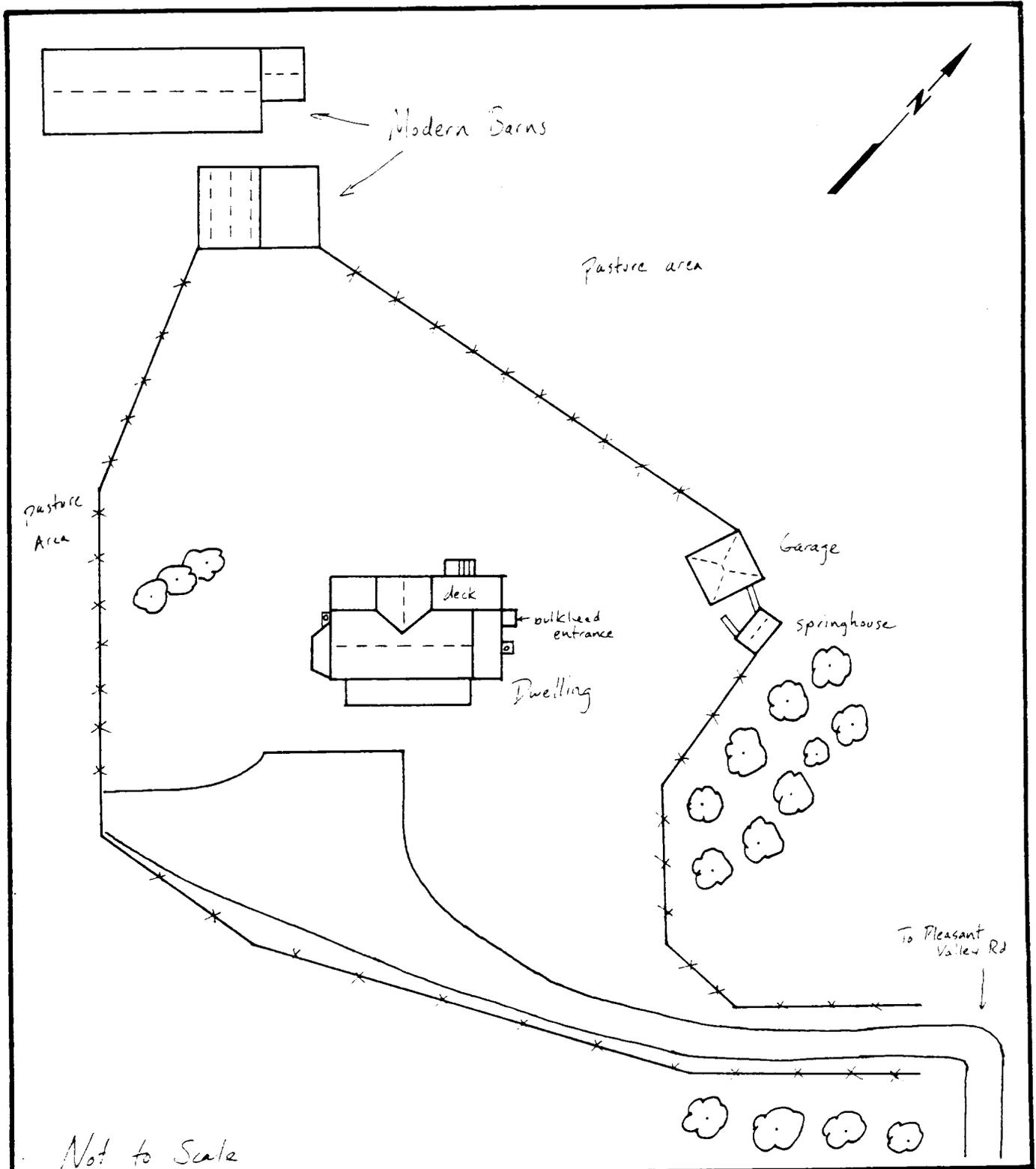
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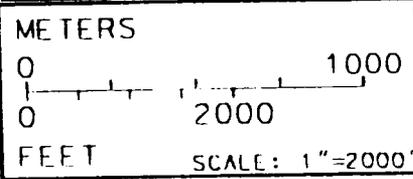
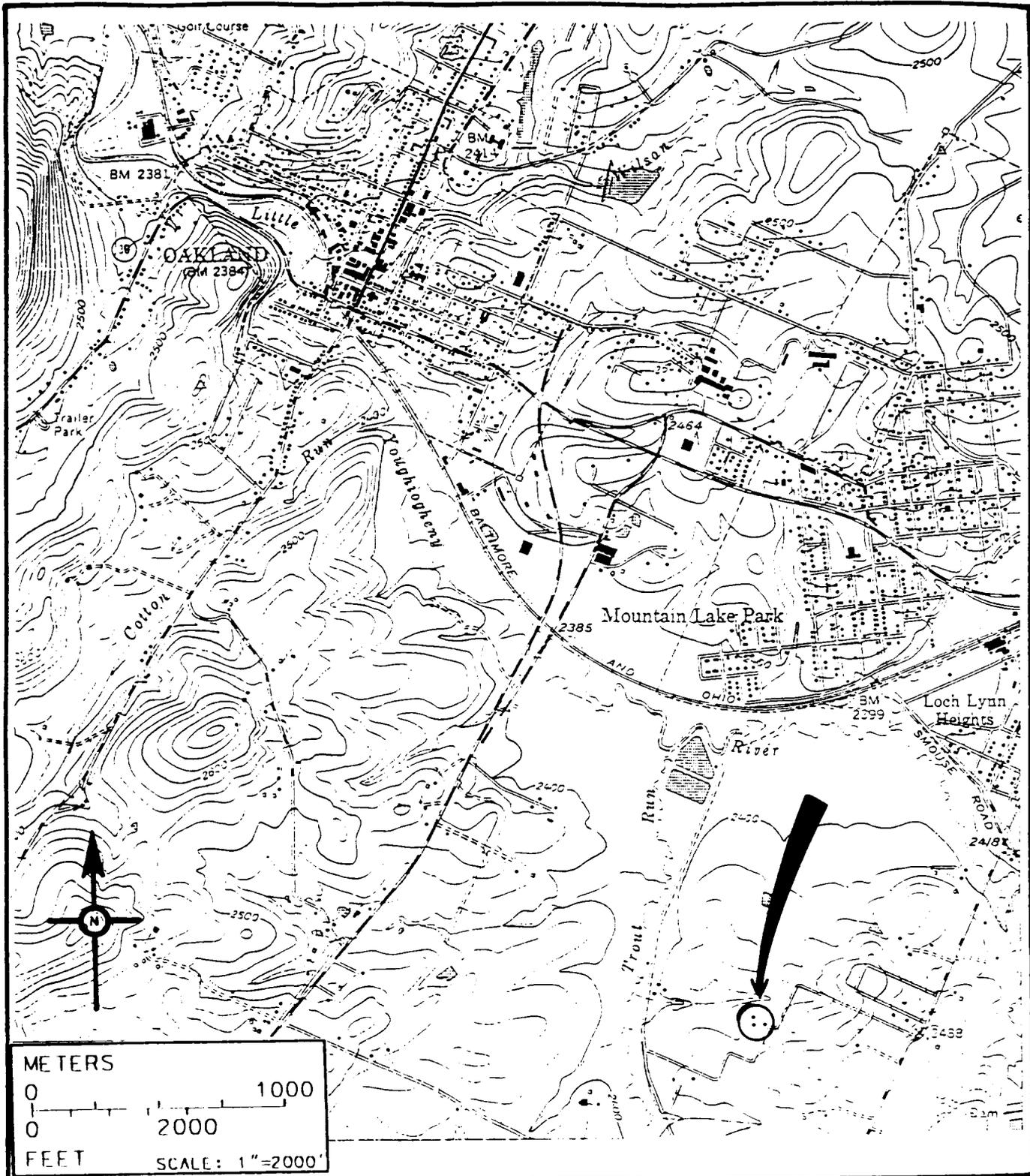
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Resource Sketch Map

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Dennis R. and Jeri J. Swartzentruber Farm
Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County



Location Map

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 Dennis R. and Jeri J. Swartzentruber Farm
 Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County
 Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle Map (USGS 1974)



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