

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

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: H-0044 CH-636

Address: Culvert on Washington Avenue, at Sharon Avenue, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Charles County

Tax Parcel Number: _____ Tax Map Number: 23

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

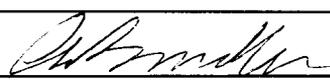
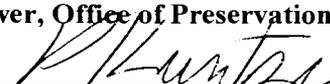
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The culvert on Washington Avenue, at Sharon Avenue, is constructed of concrete abutments, channel, and parapet walls. The parapet walls are articulated by etched rectangular blocks flanking simple, rectangular balusters. A concrete base and cap add further detail to the parapet walls.

This culvert has not been assigned a structure number by Charles County because it does not meet their minimum size requirement.

The increase in population and development in Southern Maryland after the first quarter of the 20th century required the improvement of existing roadways and the introduction of new routes. The extension of the Crain Highway to the Potomac and the completion of the Governor Harry W. Nice Memorial Bridge spanning the Potomac River Bridge near Pope's Creek in 1940 served to link Charles County with transportation networks from Florida to New York. This, in turn, brought more development and suburbanization to the area surrounding La Plata. In response to the increased traffic, the State Roads Commission began widening the Crain Highway as part of the U.S. 301 project in

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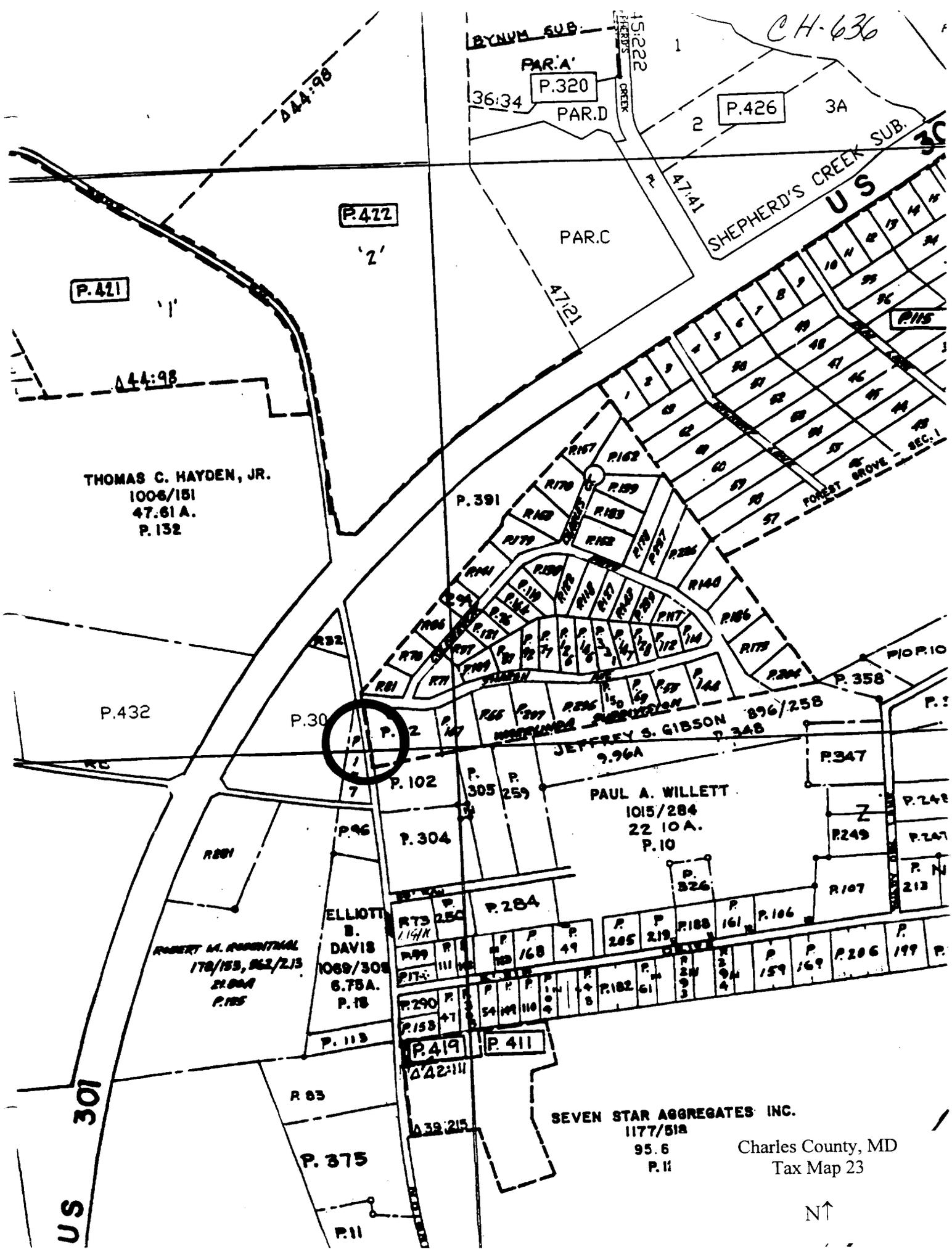
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 _____ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>10/27/99</u> _____ Date
 _____ Reviewer, NR Program	<u>10/28/99</u> _____ Date

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the late 1950s. Dualization of the roadway consisted of constructing two additional lanes while the earlier two lanes remained to carry traffic in the opposite direction. Use of U.S. 301 for commercial traffic declined when Interstate 95 was completed in the late 1960s.

Built circa 1930, this concrete culvert is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of roadway improvements surrounding La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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THOMAS C. HAYDEN, JR.
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 47.61 A.
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BYNUM SUB.
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 PAR.D
 36:34

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 3A

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PAR.C

SHEPHERD'S CREEK SUB.
 US

44:98

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JEFFREY S. GIBSON
 896/258
 9.96A

PAUL A. WILLETT
 1015/284
 22 10A.
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ROBERT M. ROSENTHAL
 178/153, 262/213
 21.80A
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ELLIOTT B. DAVIS
 1069/308
 6.75A.
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US 301

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35'
4271
4269
4268
32'30"
MASON SPRINGS 8.3 MI
RIPLEY 4.2 MI

5561 II SE
(PORT TOBACCO)



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Culvert on Washington Avenue
at Sharon Avenue
La Plata quad, 1956, PR 1993

LAUREL SPRINGS
REGIONAL PARK

La Plata

Archbishop Nestle

Water Filtration
Plant

Mt Rest
Cern

488

BM

133

WASHINGTON
AVE

SHARON
AVE

MITCHELL
ROAD

Jenny

Lyons Corner

Trailer
Park

Trailer
Park

TURKEY
HILL

Tobacco

Port
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View looking east

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