

Dwelling, 5010 Gallant Green Road
CH-655
Gallant Green vic.
Private

Circa 1900

The dwelling at 5010 Gallant Green Road is a well proportioned two-story center gable I-House with a decorative center and a full width hipped front porch constructed around the turn of the 20th century. A rear two story kitchen dependency creates an overall T-plan. Perhaps the homes most distinctive feature is its location across from and facing the Southern Maryland Railroad, which runs adjacent to Gallant Green Road for several miles.

Constructed at the turn of the 20th century, this dwelling is representative of one of the region's most enduring house styles. Largely coinciding with the heyday of the railroad era in Charles County, the three bay I-House with a hipped, full-width porch and decorative gable dominated popular building practices from the last quarter of the 19th century through the first quarter of the 20th century.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CH-655

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Dwelling, 5010 Gallant Green Road
 other

2. Location

street and number 5010 Gallant Green Road not for publication
 city, town Gallant Green vicinity
 county Charles

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

name Jo Ann Moreland
 street and number 5010 Gallant Green Road telephone 301-932-5487
 city, town Waldorf state MD zip code 20601-4337

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Charles County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 26-172
 city, town LaPlata liber 2970 folio 552

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
- Other

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
			Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	1	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense		sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic		1 structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education		objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	1	1 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
			0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered

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

The dwelling at 5010 Gallant Green Road is a well proportioned two-story center gable I-House with a decorative center and a full width hipped front porch constructed around the turn of the 20th century. A rear two story kitchen dependency creates an overall T-plan. The house is set a slight distance from the road in a drive that bisects two small cattle and horse pastures. Perhaps the homes most distinctive feature is its location across from and facing the Southern Maryland Railroad, which runs adjacent to Gallant Green Road for several miles.

The dwelling faces west and consists of a two-story, three bay frame structure currently clad in aluminum siding. The foundation is concrete block and the roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A replacement chimney is attached to the north wall. The cornice is boxed. Windows have been replaced throughout and have wide square edged wood surrounds. A chain link fence surrounds the dwelling.

The front elevation includes paired 1/1 replacement windows on either side of the centered door and identical fenestration on the second story. The full width hipped roof porch has a poured concrete and concrete block base. The roof is supported by four Tuscan columns. The center gable in the attic story includes a fixed fanlight window. Moving clockwise, the north main block and kitchen wing is without fenestration.

The south elevation has paired 1/1 replacements on the first and 2nd floor. The south kitchen wing elevation includes a paired 1/1 window next to a smaller replacement 1/1 on the first floor and regularly spaced 1/1 replacements on the second story.

The east elevation includes only a 1/1 replacement window on the second floor below a square vent/window centered in the attic story. The original fenestration of the first floor is now obscured by later additions.

The interior has been drastically altered from its original form. Some time in the 20th century, the center stair was moved to the extreme rear of the dwelling and is now accessed from the kitchen. Interior walls have also been removed in the first floor while exterior walls are currently sheathed in paneling.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<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 industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates	c. 1900	Architect/Builder	Unknown
Construction dates	c. 1900		

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.)

Constructed at the turn of the 20th century, this dwelling is representative of one of the region's most enduring house styles. Largely coinciding with the heyday of the railroad era in Charles County, the three bay I-House with a hipped, full-width porch and decorative gable dominated popular building practices from the last quarter of the 19th century through the first quarter of the 20th century. Furthermore the siting of the house, fronting both rail and road, is indicative of the importance of transportation networks to area residents.

Although tax records provide a construction date at 1920, archival evidence suggest a house stood on the site after 1886. In that year George and Elizabeth Higgs obtained a mortgage for 77 acres known as Three Brothers. Improvements were mentioned in the successive deed in 1915 when the property was purchased at public auction by Myrtle Brady. Two years later Brady sold the property to George Gardiner. In 1919 Andrew Richardson purchased the property which then included 45 acres. The Richardson's retained ownership until 1953.

The railroad first came to Charles County in 1873 and quickly led to the development of several towns. Perhaps the best known of these today are White Plains, Waldorf, and LaPlata. The Southern Maryland Railroad, a spur intended to run from Brandywine to the St. Mary's River began in the 1880s. Like other rail lines in the area, the Southern Maryland Railroad had a tremendous impact on the lives of area residents and on the built environment. As agricultural goods were transported to metropolitan markets, manufactured goods were shipped to otherwise isolated hamlets and villages. Both house plans and building materials arrived by rail.

Although the Southern Maryland Railroad had a huge impact on the region, the railroad itself was never economically successful and the company filed for bankruptcy in 1886. The line was then purchased by the Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad who then assumed control of the line. In 1942 the United States Government acquired the railroad to supply the Patuxent Naval Air Station.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2

Acreage of historical setting 77

Quadrangle name Hughesville

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The dwelling at 5010 Gallant Green Road is associated with Charles County Property Tax Map26, Grid 14, Parcel 172

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Cathy Currey/Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Charles County Planning Dept

date 4/16/01

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city or town LaPlata

state MD zip code 20646

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.

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Chain of title:

- April 1, 1886 Mortgage to George W. Higgs and Elizabeth Higgs from Albert Gardiner and Margaret Higdon. Tract of land known as "Three Brothers" containing 77 acres.
BGS 8:546
- March 18, 1915 Walter J. Mitchell to Myrtle Brady. Purchased at public auction. Improvements.
HCC 28:212
- June 19, 1917 Myrtle Brady and Francis H husband of Prince George County to George Gardiner. Buildings and Improvements.
CP 31:481
- October 28, 1919 George and Maria Gardiner to Andrew J. Richardson
35:61
- August 8, 1953 Richardson heirs to Oscar and Ethel Aeschlimann. 45.212 a
108:14
- December 21, 1964 Ethel Aeschlimann, widow et al to Joseph Duley and George Rhodes
173:7
- January 12, 1966 Rhodes heirs ½ interest to J. Harris & Fannie D. Rogers
179:257
- April 26, 1968 Duley and Rogers to Mark D. and Phyllis A. Schrimpf
195:68
- March 19, 1971 Schrimpf to Harry and Gladys Fowler. 14.854 a.
232:405
- March 30, 1984 Harry Fowler to Lawrence M. Fowler
973:249
- April 18, 1990 Fowler heirs to Jo Ann Winkler
1471:098

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Charles County Circuit Court Land Records, Charles County Courthouse, LaPlata, Maryland.

Charles County Property Tax Map, Charles County Office of Taxation, LaPlata, MD

Klaphor, Margaret Brown. The History of Charles County, Maryland. LaPlata, MD: Charles County Tercentenary, Inc., 1958.

Wearmouth John M., Baltimore and Potomac Railroad: The Popes Creek Branch.

Manuscript published by the Baltimore Chapter and the Washington Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, Inc. 1986.

RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

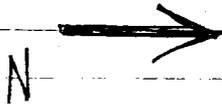
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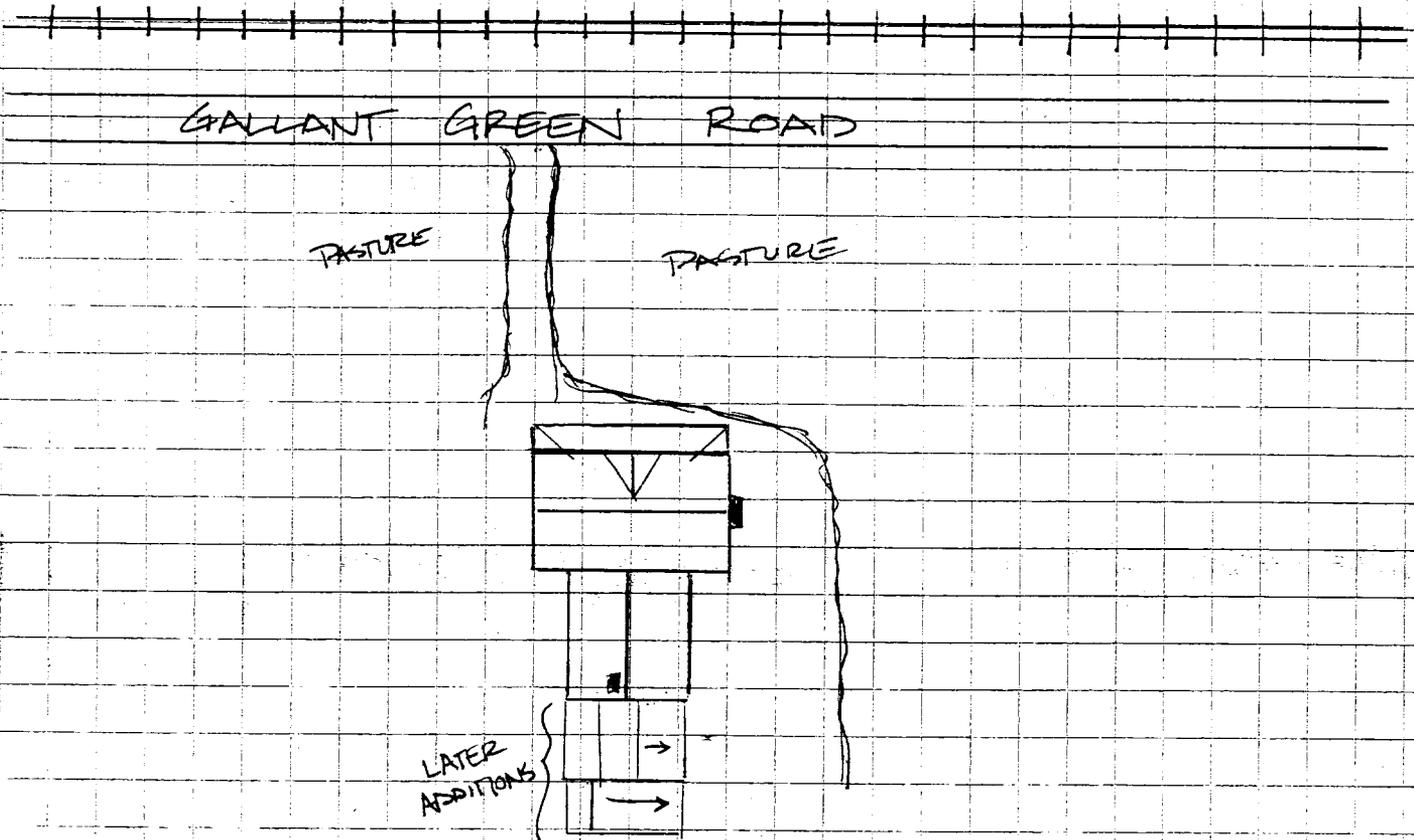
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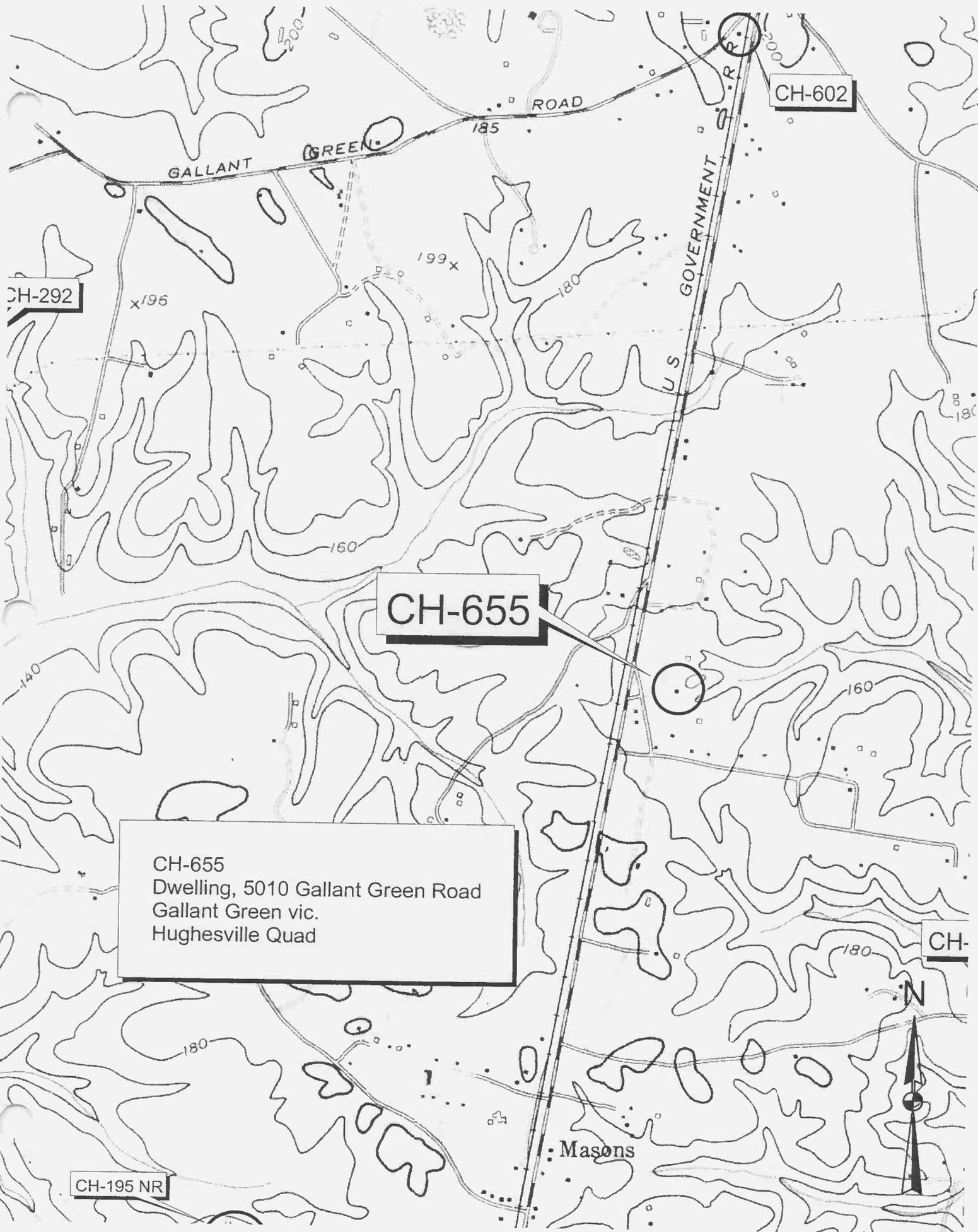
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