

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Buskirk Log Farmhouse and Barn

### 2. Location

street & number Water Station Run Road, .2 mile north, and approx. 1 3/4 miles east of Lonaconing not for publicationcity, town Lonaconing  vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Allegany

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Pond Hill Association c/o Lee Barnett

street &amp; number 234 Baltimore Street telephone no.: 301-722-2748

city, town Cumberland Maryland state and zip code 21502

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Allegany County Courthouse liber

street &amp; number 30 Washington Street folio

city, town Cumberland state Maryland 21502

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. AL-VI-B-231

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

The Buskirk Log Farmhouse, a 2 story, 3 bay by 1 bay half dove-tail notched log dwelling, is situated on the western slope of Dans Mountain just north of Water Station Run Road. This abandoned dwelling appears to be the shell of an old log house that has been altered, including the addition of a new gable roof. The log walls are covered with asphalt siding, but in places the logs are exposed revealing plaster daubing. The house rests on a stone foundation.

The facade faces east and has a one story shed roof porch covering a double entrance. A 6/6 sash window pierces the facade wall at the first story between the two entrances. The window is situated closest to the southernmost entrance. The remaining windows are 6/6 sash except for two 6/3 sash windows at the second story facade and a 4-pane window at the north gable end peak.

The interior is consists of a hall parlor plan. The northernmost entrance opens into the larger hall. A winder staircase is located at the center of the partition wall. This room has a rear entrance. Behind the staircase is a door opening into the parlor or inner room.

A single pen, v-notched log barn with a frame shed addition on the south elevation lies in ruins just southeast of the house. The west elevation of the log section is supported by flat cut stone pillars. There are 3 frame outbuildings, also in ruins, associated with this site. A dry stone wall and drainage ditch descend the hillside north of the farm.

# 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Buskirk Log Farmhouse has been greatly altered. Its significance therefore lies in the appearance of the basic structure, rather than original details. The farm is significant for retaining a log barn, as well as the log farmhouse. Both structures are severely deteriorated.

The farm is identified on an 1836 Allegany County map as the property of a settler named Buskirk.

The farmhouse displays locally rare half-dovetailed corner notching.

A better example of a log farm complex is the Thomas Wright Farm (AL-VI-B-036).





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Buskirk Log Farmhouse  
Allegany County  
David Dorsey 10/80  
Southern Elev.



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Buskirk Log Farmhouse  
Allegany County  
David Dorsey 10/80  
Eastern elev.



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Buskirk Log Farmhouse  
Allegany County  
David Dorsey 10/80  
Barn West elev.



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Buskirk Log Farm House

Allegany Co., MD

David A. Dorsey 2/81

Northern elev.



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Buskirk Log Farm House

Allegheny Co., MD

David A. Dorsey 2/81

Notching: West elev.



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Buskirk Log Farm House

Allegany Co., MD

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~~Barn~~ Eastern Facade

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Buskirk Log Farm House

Allegany Co., MD

David A. Dorsey 2/81

Western Elevation



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DOSKIRK LOG FARM HOUSE AND BARN

2/1991 - David Dorsey



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BUSKIRK LOG FARM HOUSE AND BARN

2/1981 - David Dorsey



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Buskirk Log Farm House

Allegheny Co., MD

David A. Dorsey 2/81

Barn W elev.