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

Property/District Name: 8196 New Cut Road, Severn, Maryland Survey Number: AA-2213  
Project: Demolition Agency: MD Dept. of Natural Resources  
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 structure at 8196 New Cut Road, Severn, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, is neither located within the boundaries of a state listed historic district and nor does it meet the criteria for individual listing on the Maryland Register.

This house was built in approximately 1930. The overall style of the structure is typical twentieth century cape-cod, with small rooms, bedrooms on the second floor, with dormers, and simple design details. It is two stories tall, covered in wooden clapboard painted white, with a concrete foundation that is banked into the hillside. The roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has two dormers centered over the structure.

This house is not known to have any associations with persons or events significant to our past and is thus not eligible under Criteria B or A. It lacks the architectural distinctiveness to qualify it for listing under Criterion C.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review & Compliance Files

Prepared by: C. Mazurek, DNR  
Patricia M. Blick September 5, 2000  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable

*Bluntz* 9/6/00  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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## CAPSULE SUMMARY

Hastings Property  
8196 New Cut Road  
Severn  
C. Mazurek  
7/2000

This house is a two-story Cape Cod that dates from the late 1930's. It has wood clapboard painted white and design details typical of the Cape Cod vernacular, such as dormers on the roof and small rooms throughout the interior. Additions have been added to the structure over time, such as a screened porch and a dormer extension on the western pitch of the roof, but overall the integrity of the structure has been maintained. It was built by the Hastings family and retained by them until Agnes Hastings sold it to the State of Maryland in 1972 for inclusion in the Severn Run Natural Environmental Area. The house is located in Severn which is very close to the larger town of Odenton and historically this area was developed as a result of the three railroads that were located close by, the Annapolis & Elkridge, the Baltimore & Ohio, and the Baltimore & Potomac. These operated in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. In addition the establishment of Camp Admiral in 1919, later known as Ft. Meade, also had a great impact on the pace of development in the area. The Department of Natural Resources is planning on tearing down this structure in the near future.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Survey No. AA - 2213

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Hastings Property

other

### 2. Location

street & number 8196 New Cut Road

not for publication

city, town Severn

vicinity

county Anne Arundel County

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

name Maryland Department of Natural Resources

street & number Tawes State Office Building, 580 Taylor Avenue

telephone (410) 260-8192

city, town Annapolis

state and zip code Maryland 21401

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Anne Arundel County Courthouse

tax map and parcel

city, town Annapolis

liber and folio 2484/190

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Individually Listed in the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Contributing Resource in National Register District  
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Recorded by HABS/HAER  
 HSR or Research report at MHT  
 Other:

### 6. Classification

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

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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

The Hastings property is located at 8196 New Cut Road in Severn, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. The property borders Severn Run the main tributary of the Severn River and the land, designated a Natural Environmental Area, is now owned by the Department of Natural Resources.

The overall style of the structure is a typical mid-Twentieth century cape cod, with small rooms, bedrooms on the second floor with dormers, and simple design details. It is two stories tall, covered in wooden clapboard painted white, with a concrete foundation that is banked somewhat into the hillside. The roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has two dormers centered over the structure. Within these dormers are 1/1 metal framed windows. The roof lines are varied and the center section has the full second story while on each side of this are one story sections of the house.

The front facade (east) fronts New Cut Road and has a straight concrete sidewalk that goes directly to the front porch. This porch consists of white wooden pillars with a pediment on top. The base of this porch is a concrete pad and the doorway has a metal screen door and then behind this a wooden door. The concrete sidewalk extends along the front of the house to both sides of the structure, with enough space between the foundation and the walk to plant small ornamental plants. Windows on this facade appear to be metal replacement windows and are 1/1 sash, with a picture window on the far right of the facade.

The side facade (north) has a screened in porch addition and the a large red brick chimney that is enclosed within this porch. From the porch a metal door leads into the house and one 1/1 sash window is located on the far right of the facade. In addition one window is located on the second floor gable, which is part of the center section.

The rear facade (west) has three full 1/1 windows, and a ½ window on the first floor and three 1/1 sash windows on the second floor. An addition, essentially one large dormer, has been added to the entire center section of the house on the second floor, thus expanding the ceiling height on the second floor bedrooms and increasing the volume of space. Also a one story bump out has been added on the first floor that wraps around to the southern facade which allows for the first floor bathroom and an expansion to the kitchen. The bump out on the western facade has three 1/1 windows.

The bump out extends over to the side facade (south), which has a stairway that leads into a small mud room and then the kitchen. There are five 1/1 sash windows on the extension and then on the main facade there are three consecutive 1/1 sash windows on the first floor and a very small window on the second floor which allows for ventilation of the attic storage space.

The rear (west) of the house faces a wooded hillside and to the north of the house is a circular gravel driveway.

On the interior of the first floor it is an open plan where the front door opens into the living room with the staircase to the second floor directly in front of the door. To the right the living room leads to the screened in porch, while to the left it leads to the dining room and then a sunroom. From the dining room the kitchen and mud room are accessible. Running alongside the kitchen through the center of the house is a hallway which leads to a first floor full bath, and then continuing on to a first floor bedroom with another full bath.

The second floor consists of a bathroom, which is right at the top of the stairs and then two bedrooms on either side of this bath. The bedroom on the left (south side) has access to a small storage attic.

Overall the interior window and door trim is very simply constructed, however there are wide baseboards and wood floors throughout the structure.

The basement is accessible from the first floor center hallway and is located over the center section of the house. Additionally an extra outside entrance is located on the south facade.

## 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 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/<br>recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape<br>architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion            |
|   | <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/<br>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

Builder/Architect

Evaluation for:

National Register     Maryland Register     not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, and a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, discuss evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

The Cape Cod style Hastings house dates from the late 1930's and is located within the Department of Natural Resources Severn Run Natural Environmental Area. The Department acquired this land from Agnes E. Hastings on April 20<sup>th</sup> 1972 in an effort to preserve land around the Severn Run, a major tributary of the Severn River. This was done mainly to provide a buffer against development in order to protect the water quality of the river.

Since the Department acquired the property in fee simple in 1972 it had been in the rental housing program, but in the fall of 1999 it was vacated. Now it is scheduled to be demolished because of expensive repairs needed to make it habitable.

This house had been in the Hastings family from the time it was built until the State of Maryland bought the property. In 1930 Calvin T. Hastings bought the property from Herman Lange and his wife, Mary Lange. When the Lange's owned the property the lot contained 14 acres, but it appears as though they subdivided the acreage and sold off the smaller lots, including this lot of six acres. The house that currently stands on the property was built a few years later after the lot was acquired, in the late 1930's. On September 26<sup>th</sup>, 1956 Calvin T. Hastings died without a will and so the land and house were divided among his heirs at law. Eight years later the heirs transferred sole ownership of the property to the widow of Calvin, Agnes E. Hastings.

Severn, and the larger town of Odenton right next to it, are located in central Anne Arundel County and developed rapidly due to the presence of major railroad companies. On the 1878 Hopkins Map, the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad and the Annapolis and Elkridge Railroad cross and have stations in the town of Odenton. Just above these towns the larger Baltimore and Ohio Railroad had the major Annapolis Junction station which linked up with the Annapolis and Elkridge Railroad. The presence of these Railroads fueled the development of the surrounding areas such as Severn because of the jobs that were created by the railroads. In addition these stations were important because they were telegraph stations. The Annapolis and Elkridge Railroad became known as the Washington Baltimore and Annapolis in 1908 after

fourteen miles of track were electrified between Annapolis and Odenton. "As the W.B. & A. Railroad prospered, Odenton became the home for families connected with it. People found work on the Railroad, both on road surface and in the W.B. & A. car repair shop. The Naval Academy Junction was an essential station because it was a transfer point for passengers travelling between Baltimore, Washington, and Annapolis" (O'Malley 15). The Railroads were instrumental in spurring development of the area up until the depression in the 1930's when "the W.B. & A. Railroad line was drastically affected by the loss of passengers. Finally in August 1935, the Railroad was forced into bankruptcy. As a result, many residents were unemployed. Some lost their homes and moved from the area" (O'Malley 16).

The other major influence in the development of Odenton and Severn was the establishment of Ft. Meade, or as it was known in 1919, Camp Admiral. The War Department wanted this area to train recruits for war and planned for it to extend from the B & O line to the north and to the W.B. & A. line in the south. "Four thousand acres were needed for absolute training purposes and 15, 000 surrounding acres for maneuvering and other tactics and war games. In the beginning the government planned to lease the properties, but later decided to purchase the land outright" (O'Malley 27).

Ft Meade is still in operation and is joined by other governmental operations such as the National Security Agency which still create jobs and spur development in the area.

#### Chain of Title

1. Liber 2484/Folio 190. Agnes E. Hastings, widow and grantor to the State of Maryland for the use of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Forest and Parks on April 20<sup>th</sup> 1972.
2. Liber 1843/Folio 150. Calvin T. Hastings died intestate on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 1956 and the sole heirs at law were Calvin R. Hastings and Eleanor Hastings, his wife; Ruth Joy Robertson and William Robertson, her husband; Florence S. Glaeser and Ronald I. Glaeser, her husband; and Agnes E. Hastings, the widow. On August 29<sup>th</sup>, 1964 the property was conveyed from these heirs directly to Agnes E. Hastings
3. Liber FSR 75/Folio 459. On September 5<sup>th</sup>, 1930, Calvin T. Hastings bought the property from Herman Lange and Mary Lange, his wife.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

**MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA**

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Modern Period

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment : Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Shelter

Known Design Source: Unknown

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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1. O'Malley, Catherine L. Odenton-The Town A Railroad Built. Jackson Printing, Inc., Annapolis and St. Michaels, Maryland. Copyright 1978.
2. Hopkins Map 1878. The Fourth District of Anne Arundel County. The Hall of Records, Maryland.
3. Kenny, Hamill. The Place names of Maryland, Their Origin and Meaning. The Museum and Library of Maryland History, The Maryland Historical Society. Baltimore, 1984.

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 6 acres

Quadrangle name Odenton Quad

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

This property is bounded by New Cut Road to the east and Severn Run to the west. Beyond a circular gravel drive to the north is the property line which borders the Owen C. Bosworth property. The southern edge of the property borders a wooded hillside and ravine.

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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.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

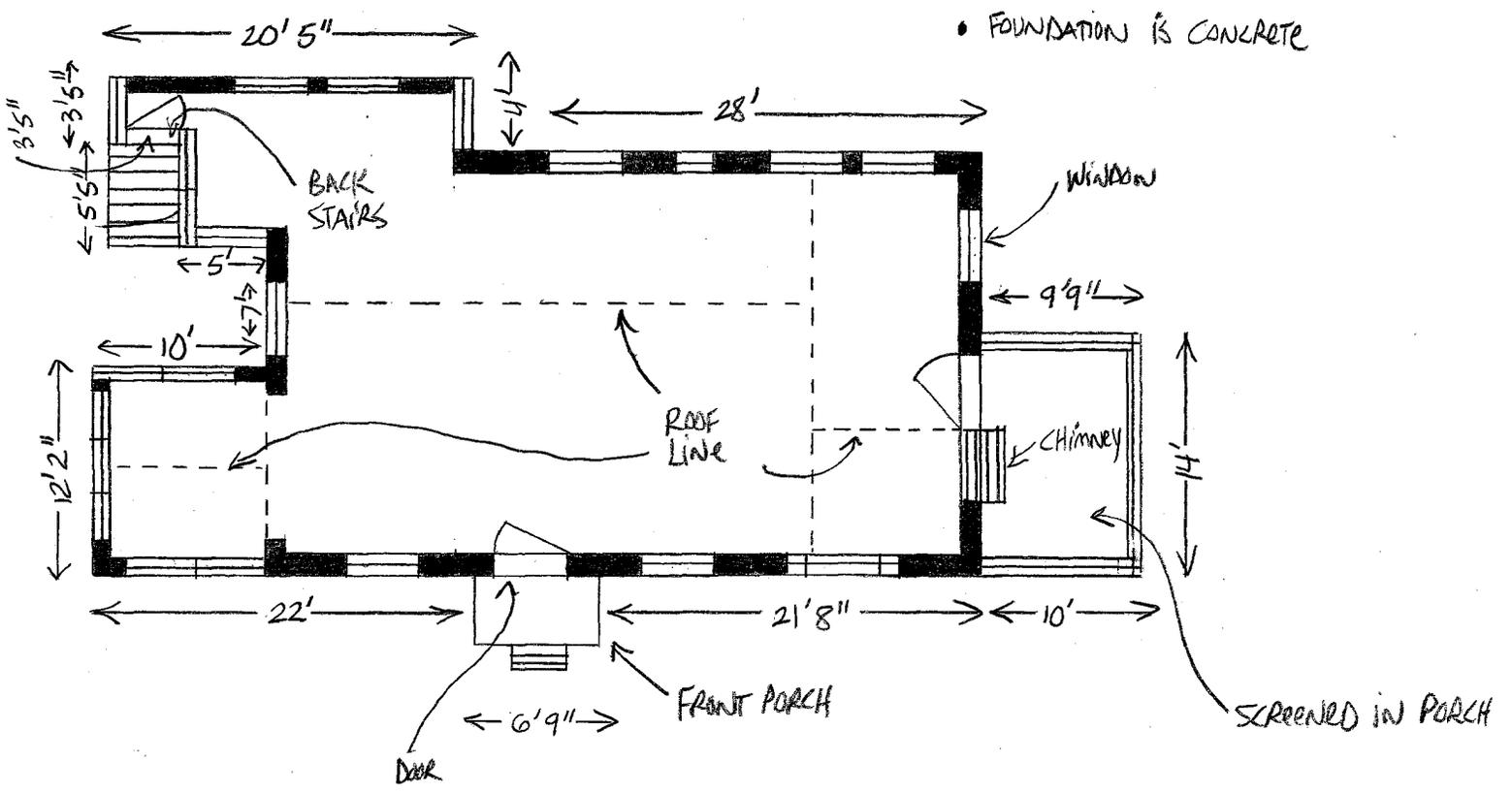
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Crownsville, MD 21032-2 023  
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HASTINGS PROPERTY  
 SEVERN, ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MARYLAND  
 C. MAZUREK

JULY 2000  
 3/32 SCALE  
 AA-2213

NORTH →

- SIDING IS WOOD CLAPBOARD PAINTED WHITE
- WINDOWS ARE ALUMINUM REPLACEMENTS
- FOUNDATION IS CONCRETE







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HASTINGS PROPERTY

ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MD

C. MAZUREK

7/2000

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NW FACADES

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C. MAZUREK

7/2006

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EAST FACADE

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MD

C. MAZUREK

7/2000

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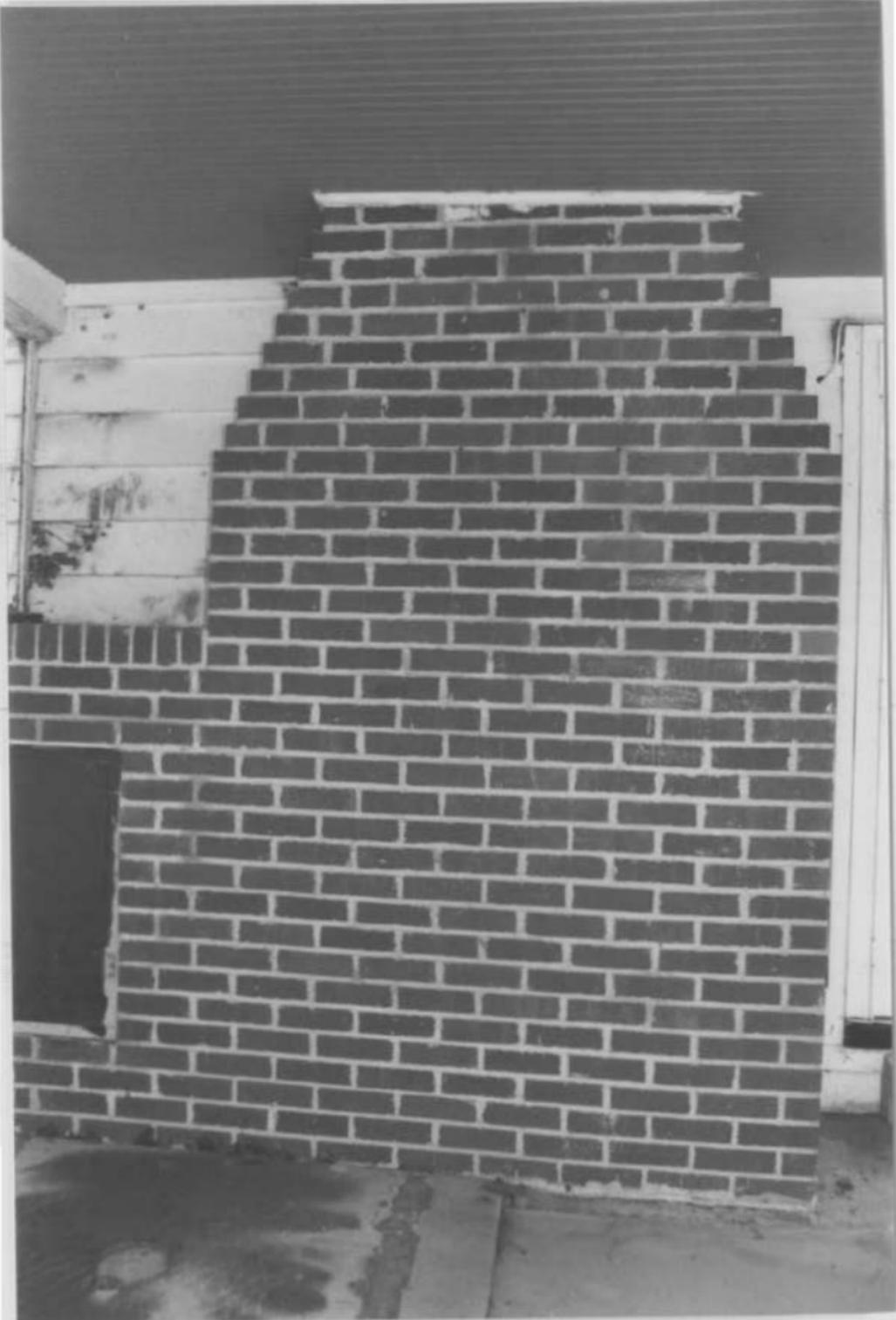
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7/2006

MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

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C. MAZUREK

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FIREPLACE CHIMNEY AND SCREENED IN PORCH

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

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KITCHEN

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FIRST FLOOR SIDE ROOMS

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1ST FLOOR BATHROOM

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2ND FLOOR STORAGE SPACE

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2ND FLOOR Bedroom AND BATH.

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2ND FLOOR BATHROOM

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HASTINGS PROPERTY  
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C. MAZUREK

7/2000

MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

LIGHT FIXTURE, 1ST FLOOR

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HASTINGS PROPERTY  
ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MD

C. MAZUREK

7/2000

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WINDOW TRIM, INTERIOR, FIRST FLOOR

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MD

C. MAZUREK

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MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

FRAMING, BASEMENT

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

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SUNROOM, 1ST FLOOR.

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LIVING ROOM

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

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C. MAZUREK

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SECOND FLOOR

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C. MAZUREK

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BASEMENT

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C. MAZUREK

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MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

1ST FLOOR

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

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C. MAZUREK

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MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

2ND FLOOR BEDROOM

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HASTINGS PROPERTY

ANNE ARUNDEL CO., MD

C. MAZUREK

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MD DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

EAST FACADE

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