

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

Property Name: 4597 Mountain Road Inventory Number: N/A AA-2267

Address: 4597 Mountain Road, Pasadena, Anne Arundel County, MD 21122

Owner: Looper et al Trust, PO Box 1045, Pasadena, MD 21123

Tax Parcel Number: p306 Tax Map Number: m25

Project MD 177: MD 100 to South Carolina Av Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff:  no  yes Name: Jill Dowling Date: 9/1/98

Eligibility recommended  No 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: N/A

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)*

4597 Mountain Road is a one and a half story, gable front, vernacular, frame house with clapboard siding and a concrete block foundation. The main facade is three bays wide with a wooden stoop leading to the multi-paned glass and wood door. Windows on the main floor are six over six double-hung wood sash. In the gable end there is a fixed window with six lights. A central brick chimney pierces the ridgeline of the roof.

Anne Arundel County histories describe the early 20th century development of communities, such as Round Bay, that were farther from Annapolis and Baltimore yet close to the water. Originally summer retreats, the advent of the automobile and road improvements increased mobility in the 1920s and enabled the establishment of Gibson Island and other coastal towns. The Brooklyn and Lakeshore Transportation Company operated the first bus to the area, delivering passengers from Brooklyn to a spot near Gibson Island called Arcadia as early as 1912. Anne Arundel county had a fleet of small bus lines linking the Brooklyn streetcar to small communities.

While planned communities such as Gibson Island (Olmsted Brothers, circa 1920) thrived, scattered developments of

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date
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Reviewer, NR Program	Date

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modest cottages sprang up along the bay and up each of its tributaries from the Magothy River. Here, those of "moderate means" could "enjoy the advantages of life near the water." Before this development, the rolling pastoral land supported larger farms. A turn of the century photo included in Jacques Kelly's pictorial history of Anne Arundel County shows a plain front gabled frame farmhouse with a lean to addition located on an overgrown lot near Bodkin Creek. Later in the century, a disastrous agricultural experiment was conducted on a 157 acre farm on Bodkin Point, when farmers attempted to feed their piggery garbage from Baltimore. The pigs sickened and many died, and Baltimore reverted to landfill and incineration of waste.

Built in 1930, this simple vernacular house is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the modest residential development along the bay and the Magothy River and tributaries, the resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

**RESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN  
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS**

**I. Geographic Region**

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

**II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:**

- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930- Present
- Unknown Prehistoric
- Unknown Historic

**IV. Historic Period Themes:**

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

**V. Resource Type:**

Category: Building

Historic environment: Suburban

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

Known Design Source: None

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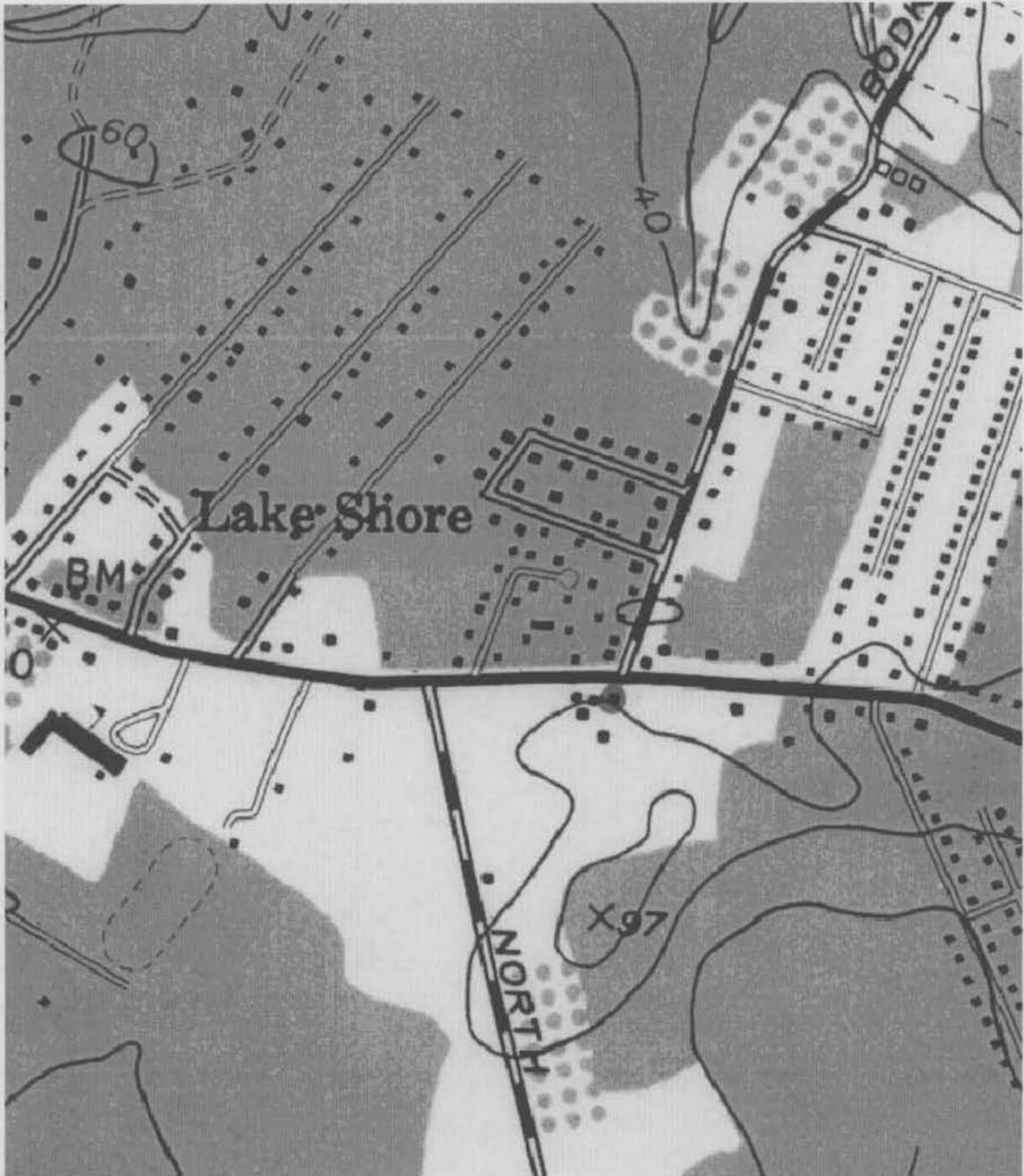
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BROAD CREEK

GRAYS CREEK

ISLE WENT  
ISLE LITTLE NORTH

BLACKHOLE CREEK



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4597 Mountain Road  
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Gibson Island Quad



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North facade