

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

Property/District Name: Tannery Survey District Survey Number: CARR-700

Project: Westminster Bypass (MD 140) Agency: SHA

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)

This property was determined eligible for the NR by MHT letter dated 4/27/1994.

" Given the available information, we believe Tannery could be eligible as the remnant of an industrial village associated with the tanning industry. This district would include the six remaining houses and the archeological resources associated with the stage and tannery. While the houses have undergone numerous alterations over the years they still retain their original form + proportions. Through their similarity and regular linear spacing, they still manage to convey a sense of a company town."

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

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Beth Hannold  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable

Paul  
Reviewer, NR program Date 5/23/97

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

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:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- 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 Period (  prehistoric  historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaptation

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: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single dwelling

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

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TANNERY HISTORIC DISTRICT (SITE)

mid-19th century

Westminster vicinity

None of the buildings that existed during Tannery's heyday remain standing today. Tannery was a railroad depot and industrial complex. The major industries were a leather manufactory (tanning operation) and a distillery. It was a large industrial complex for its region and period, and old photographs of the manufacturing plants show long buildings and warehouses and a tall smokestack. Many of these buildings were burned in a large fire in 1932. The tannery operation was owned successively by A. P. Baer, the Schlosser Tannery Co., and the Carroll Oak and Tannery Co. while the distillery appears to have remained in the ownership of the McGinnis Distillery Co. The town of tannery included a one-room schoolhouse, a board-and-batten Methodist Episcopal Church and a train depot (combined with a post office, telegraph office and general store).

U.S.G.S. MAP  
WESTMINSTER, MD.  
1:24000 SCALE

TAX MAP 46 Block 5

