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DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

Tobacco Barn Only
NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Juhle Property Inventory Number: CH-650
 Address: 4705 Friendship Landing Road City: Nanjemoy Zip Code: 20662
 County: Charles USGS Topographic Map: Nanjemoy, Maryland
 Owner: County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland Is the property being evaluated a district? yes
 Tax Parcel Number: 5 Tax Map Number: 61 Tax Account ID Number: 006565
 Potential Demolition of Dwelling and General Purpose Barn
 Project: and Silo Agency: Charles County Department of Planning
 Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: December 12, 2012
 Is the property located within a historic district? yes no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
 NR-listed district yes Eligible district yes District Name: _____
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)
 Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes no

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: **See bibliography.**

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Property Description-

Landscape
 The Juhle Property is located within a 139.12 acre section of the 235 acre Friendship Farm Park at 4705 Friendship Landing Road. Overall, the park features rolling topography and it is located approximately 2.50 miles south-southeast of Ironsides, Maryland and approximately 16 miles southwest of La Plata, Maryland.
 Friendship Farm Park includes the Juhle Farm building complex and fields, the sites of the Friendship Farm and components, several Native American archeological sites, modern baseball fields, a modern recreational boat landing, extensive wooded areas, recreational trails, paved and graveled parking lots and gravel drives. The Juhle Farm building complex is located in the east portion of the park and fields are located to the northwest. The Juhle Farm complex includes a Dwelling, two Wells, a Garage, an Unidentified Foundation, a Tobacco Barn, a General Purpose Barn and Silo and a Modern Park Shelter. Access to the complex is provided by extant and maintained former farm roads that open onto Friendship Landing Road (see Attachments 1 and 2).

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Comments: <i>property is not eligible for architecture or agricultural complex; undistinguished example of common type, lack of integrity. Tobacco Barn meets registration requirements in MPDF ated. NOT EVALUATED FOR ARCHAEOLOGY</i>			
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services <i>[Signature]</i>		Date <u>6/6/13</u>	
Reviewer, NR Program <i>[Signature]</i>		Date <u>3/19/13</u>	

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The Dwelling is located approximately 360 feet south of Friendship Landing Road, one Well is located approximately six feet northeast of the Dwelling, a second Well is located approximately 100 feet south of Friendship Landing Road, the Garage is located approximately 120 feet west of the Dwelling, the Unidentified Foundation is located approximately 27 feet southwest of the Garage, the Tobacco Barn is located approximately 120 feet northwest of the Garage, the General Purpose Barn and Silo is located approximately 125 feet southwest of the Tobacco Barn and the Modern Park Shelter is located 85 feet southeast of the Tobacco Barn (see Attachment 2).

Dwelling

The dwelling within the farm building complex has been impacted by several episodes of alteration and addition. Past researchers have described the house as a circa 1930 Craftsman-style house (Currey 2001). Currently, the wood frame dwelling faces northwest and is composed of a rectangular, two story, three-bay by two pile main block that rests upon a concrete wall and probably also concrete block foundation. The foundation encloses a full basement that is illuminated by hopper or fixed windows. Main block, first floor wall coverings include modern brick veneer (running bond) over historic wood lap siding on the first floor. Main block second floor wall exteriors are covered with vinyl siding. The southeast elevation includes a main block full-width screen porch on the ground floor. The porch doorway is empty. Brick posts support the ceiling, the porch foundation is cinderblock and the floor is flagstone. The porch also encloses a descending set of stairs that lead to a basement entry. The interior walls within the porch are covered with historic wood lap siding. Several main block windows are boarded over but visible fenestration includes somewhat evenly spaced, six-over-six light wood frame windows installed in pairs on the northwest and southeast elevations and singly on the northeast elevation. Additionally, a single fixed light window flanked by four-over-four light windows has been installed in the central bay of the second floor of the southeast elevation. Visible windows appear to be original to the house and these feature simple wood frames and simple wood surrounds. The main entry is a centrally located six-panel wood door fronted by a metal screen door. The doorway includes pilasters and a pediment decorated with a sun motif. This doorway opens onto a modern brick stoop.

A rectangular, single bay, single pile, single story addition covered with a shed roof has been added to the main block. This addition is joined to the northwest pile of the northeast elevation. This probable mud room rests upon a concrete block foundation covered with concrete parging. This addition is sided with vinyl siding and all windows are boarded. A paneled wood door with a boarded over window fronted with a metal storm door provides entry. This doorway opens onto a modern brick stoop.

A two story, single bay, two pile addition has been added to the southwest elevation of the main block. This addition is slightly narrower than the main block and may fully enclose an older addition. Brick veneer covers the first floor exterior on the northwest elevation, the second floor of this elevation is covered with vinyl siding. The southwest and southeast elevations are covered with vinyl siding. This addition rests upon a concrete block and concrete wall foundation that encloses a crawl space that opens to the southeast. Entry into this addition is permitted by a boarded over doorway within the porch. The doorway faces northeast. First floor windows are boarded over and second floor windows are similar to those of the main block.

A moderately pitched gable roof covers both the main block and the southwest addition. All roof planes are covered in what appear to be asphalt shingles. A brick chimney is located northwest of the roof ridge. This chimney may have originally been exterior to the main block but the stack is now fully enclosed by the southwest addition. The chimney features three clay flue liners. All eaves are narrow and have been fitted with vinyl soffit and fascia as well as aluminum gutters and downspouts.

A row of boxwoods has been planted in front of the southwest elevation. The porch entry is approached by mounded earth fitted with reused, mill sawn timbers formed into steps. Twin evergreens trees flank these steps. The northwest elevation is not fronted by ornamental landscaping though the stoop ascends to the doorway from an oval drive that surrounds a flagpole, chestnut trees and yucca plantings.

Wells

A round concrete well cap is located immediately northeast of the east corner of the dwelling. The date of this well is unknown. The square, poured concrete foundation of a filled in well is visible on the ground surface approximately 100 feet south of friendship landing road. A fraction of a probably related concrete foundation is located approximately 10 feet northwest of this well. The date of this well is also unknown but conditions suggests that it may be *original to the dwelling* A modern PVC well head is located northeast of the filled well.

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Garage

A rectangular, single story, wood frame garage faces southeast, generally towards the dwelling. This building was constructed after 1952 but prior to 1963 (see Attachments 3 through 5). The garage rests upon a poured concrete and concrete block foundation and it is sided with irregular-width vertical wood planks. The front gable roof is covered in standing seam metal. Vertical wood plank double doors open onto a gravel driveway. The interior is composed of a single cell illuminated by a fixed Plexiglas panel irregularly installed in the northwest elevation. This building was once served with electricity.

Unknown Foundation

Three walls of a poured concrete foundation are visible upon the ground surface approximately 27 feet southeast of the garage. The southeast foundation wall is not visible. This foundation may represent the location of an outbuilding (see Attachments 2, 3 and 5).

Tobacco Barn

The 15 bay, twin pile, wood frame tobacco barn features a rectangular footprint. This barn was constructed after 1952 but prior to 1963 (see Attachments 3 through 5). The barn has been constructed on a ground surface that slopes to the southwest. The barn frame rests on concrete block piers. Several of these piers have been reinforced with poured concrete buttresses sometime after construction. Walls are composed of irregular width vertical plank siding. The gambrel roof is covered with standing seam metal. Twin vertical wood plank doors have been installed in the northeast gable. The twin doors on the southwest gable end are missing. Each doorway provides access to an aisle. Double doors on the northwest and southeast elevations provide transverse access to the interior. Eaves project slightly and all are fitted with fascia boards. Square, wood framed vents have been installed in each gable near the peak. A modern hex sign has been installed on the northeast gable above the entry doors.

A rectangular, single story, shed roofed stripping shed has been joined to the northeast section of the southeast façade. This shed rests upon a poured concrete foundation and it features vertical wood plank walls. Probable former wood flooring has been removed as has the southwest wall. A concrete joist remains and supports two interior posts. An exterior concrete block chimney has been installed on the northeast section of the southeast facing wall. The roof is covered in standing seam metal. There is no access to the barn interior from the interior of the shed.

General Purpose Barn and Silo

The barn and silo were constructed after 1952 but prior to 1955 (see Attachments 3 through 5). The main block of this post-in-ground pole barn features a square, three bay by three pile footprint. The main block opens to the northeast and ground level doors are missing. A centrally located hayloft door is also missing (as is hayloft flooring) but a hay carrier situated beneath the overhanging gable roof peak suggests the former loft construction. Siding remnants are composed of irregular width vertical wood planks. Eaves overhang slightly and soffit and fascia boards are absent.

At least three additions have been joined to the main block of this barn since original construction. A single story, square, post-in-ground, shed roof addition has been added to the southwest elevation. Much of the siding is missing from this addition but a section of vertical wood planking remains on the southeast facade. This addition may have once contained animal pens. A second post-in-ground, shed roof addition has been added to the northeast façade of the aforementioned addition. This rectangular shed roof addition features limited expanses of both vertical and horizontal wood plank siding. The remains of wood frame platforms or raised flooring exist in the interior. This addition may have once served a granary function. A third addition adjoins the second addition as well as the northwest wall of the main block of this barn. This two story, post-in-ground, shed roof addition features siding similar to the main block. This addition may have featured animal pens in the ground floor and a feed processing area in the loft. This barn and all additions feature standing seam metal roofing.

A cylindrical, poured concrete silo with attached poured concrete chute is located immediately northwest of the third addition. The silo is covered with a dome-shaped metal roof. The walls of both the silo and the chute are reinforced with rings of rebar.

Modern Park Shelter

The rectangular, recently constructed, post-in-ground, two bay by one pile, wood frame park shelter features a front gable roof covered in standing seam metal. The shelter features open bays to the northwest. Flooring is wood plank and siding is composed of vertical wood planks.

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Historic Context

Charles County and Juhle Property Vicinity

The area of Charles County containing the Juhle Property has remained primarily agricultural since initial Colonial settlement during the seventeenth century. More specifically, the area of the current Juhle Property was likely cleared of forest cover sometime after 1730, and most likely between 1750 and 1760 when it was a part of a larger property known as Friendship owned at that time by Warren Dent (Otter 1993: 46-47). Dent's farming and planting efforts appear to have been well diversified to include animal husbandry, dairying, grain agriculture and orchard products as well as tobacco (Rivoire 1993: 11). Unlike other areas of Charles County, long-term, intensive tobacco planting may not have ever been a mainstay of agricultural efforts in this vicinity.

The major population center nearest to the Juhle Property is the Town of La Plata, the County Seat, which developed around an active railroad depot during the 1870s (King et al 2008: 177) but was not formally incorporated until 1888. Prior to the entry of the railroad, this section of Charles County was a transportation nexus. Early roads were formally established within the vicinity of the Juhle Property by the late seventeenth century (Brown 1976: 91). By the turn of the twentieth century La Plata reaped great benefits from rail links with Baltimore as highly-demanded local farm goods were being shipped to urban markets from this point. At the same time, influential politician, local landowner and nationally-notable local agriculturalist Robert Crain publicly praised Charles County agriculture. Crain himself was known for his diverse farm output which included corn, wheat, alfalfa, market produce, hogs, sheep, horses and mules (King et al 2008: 177-179, 221).

During the early twentieth century road transportation eclipsed rail transportation statewide. This portion of Charles County conformed to that pattern. Automobile and truck traffic through La Plata markets increased exponentially after 1927 with the completion of the Robert Crain Highway and linkages improved furthermore with the completion of the Potomac River Bridge in 1940. Crain Highway linked Southern Maryland to Northern Maryland by road and the bridge enabled efficient car and truck travel to and from Virginia to the south (King et al 2008: 178). The current recreational boat landing is likely in the same location as Warren Dent's Friendship Farm landing (Otter 1993).

During the Great Depression farmland prices in Charles County plummeted. The late 1930s brought Amish farmers from Pennsylvania who were eager to purchase acreage at reduced prices. Charles County's Amish farms were so successful that they were considered to be "vital to wartime agriculture" during World War II (King et al 2008: 182). Following the war, the tradition of diversified agriculture remained strong through the end of the twentieth century despite impacts brought on by the eventual demise of tobacco. The county's final tobacco auction was held at Hughesville in 2006 (King et al 2008: 200-202, 207, 177).

History of the Juhle Property

In 1933 Arthur Karlsson sold 135.25 acres of the greater Friendship parcel to Bernwald Juhle (Charles County 1933). Juhle and Karlsson were in-laws at the time (Currey 2001). Prior to this sale the larger property was successively owned by the Dent, Gray and Karlsson families beginning in the eighteenth century (Rivoire 1993: 14-19). Juhle's history prior to his purchase is poorly understood. The current Juhle Property likely came into its own as an individual agricultural operation just prior to; or during, the earliest years of the Juhle tenure. Physical details regarding the Dwelling, Garage, Tobacco Barn and General Purpose Barn and Silo provide clues to the agricultural history of the property from the 1930s onward.

The original core of the current Dwelling, though almost totally obscured due to addition and renovation, suggests a small, economical, single-family house probably constructed by the Karlssons or Juhles just prior to, or just after, the 1933 sale. Dwellings of this type can be considered commonplace on similarly sized farms of the period. The several episodes of addition and renovation to the main block are suggestive of some level of the farms economic success and personal preferences or needs after initial house construction.

The solidly founded and electrified Garage was used for vehicle maintenance and storage. The relatively small size of this building may also imply the storage of a personal vehicle rather farm machinery.

The sizeable late-1950 or early-1960s Tobacco Barn indicates some level of reliance on the traditional southern Maryland staple crop at late mid-century and that tobacco planting was part of a diversified agricultural scheme. The incorporation of a

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gambrel roof, a design not popular until after the 1940s, suggests an awareness of midcentury agricultural advances. A gambrel roof design provides increased upper level curing space (Sharp 2011: XVIII).

The original core of the General Purpose Barn and Silo was likely constructed after 1952 but prior to 1955. The use of post-in-ground, pole barn construction suggests a focus on economy comparable to the theme of the original house design. The multipurpose design and age of the building also suggests an emphasis on variety and flexibility in agricultural orientation rather than any strict monoculture adherence. The additions to the barn, including the silo, further indicate emphasis on agricultural diversity including livestock, grain production, grain processing and feed storage beyond mid century.

Significance Statement

The Juhle family occupied the Juhle Property between 1933 and the 1950s and, with the exception of the recently constructed Modern Park Shelter, all buildings and landscapes onsite were likely part of the Juhle agricultural effort. The variety and age of the buildings on the Juhle Property suggest a diversified farming operation engaged from the first decades of the twentieth century. Affordable, quality farmland, proximal and efficient transportation infrastructure and easy access to markets are factors that probably encouraged the decision to purchase and farm this property. These same factors probably also enabled measures of success as the farm was operated by the Juhle family for decades following the initial purchase.

The Garage and Tobacco Barn components of the Juhle Property exhibit significant structural integrity as they stand in moderately good condition overall despite the removal of the southwest barn doors and the southwest stripping shed wall and interiors and the insertion of a Plexiglas window in the northwest elevation of the garage. Additionally, the majority of the original fabric is present in the cases of both of these buildings. Both buildings are currently used for storage.

The Dwelling and the General Purpose Barn and Silo are in poor condition structurally and lack structural integrity. The dwelling features a series of additions that have negatively impacted the original house form. Additionally, brick veneer is falling away from house walls, porch screening has failed and areas of the foundation are beginning to collapse. The Barn is collapsing. Broad areas of siding have been removed from the main block and from additions and major vertical and horizontal structural members throughout the building are failing.

Despite the conditions of the Dwelling and of the General Purpose Barn and Silo, the basic, historic layout of the farm remains intact. The integrity of setting has been maintained as the building locations are original and farm lanes and surrounding fields remain in good order. Obvious modern intrusions include recent house improvements (notably brick veneer and vinyl siding) and the Modern Park Shelter.

As it stands the Juhle Property does basically represent an example of a 1930s through early 1960s Charles County farm but due to the negative impacts to the integrity of the Dwelling and the General Purpose Barn and Silo, two essential components of the property, crucial details of the layout have been severely impacted. These impacts detract from the overall integrity of the property and thus its overall historic significance and ability to cohesively represent and communicate farming in Charles County during the period of construction and use.

Due to the deterioration of the historic integrity of significant components of the farm complex the Juhle Property as a whole is not recommended to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places under any Criteria.

The Juhle Property is not associated with any event or events that have made significant contributions to the broad patterns of American history. Although representative of a farm originally established during the late years of the Great Depression, the deterioration of the Dwelling and the General Purpose Barn and Silo detract from the integrity of the complex as a whole. Because of this scenario, the Juhle Property does not significantly represent an intact example of a farm of the period therefore it is not recommended to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A.

The Juhle Property is not associated with historically significant individuals. Despite the apparent economic success of the farm for a period and despite the apparent adherence to effective agricultural trends, there are no locally, regionally or nationally notable individuals directly associated with the construction or operation of this farm and its operation does not

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appear to have been individually distinct or significant in any fashion. Due to this scenario the Juhle Property is not recommended to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion B or under Criterion C.

The aboveground resources located within the bounds of the Juhle Property are collectively not likely to provide additional significant data regarding the historic period. Due to this scenario the Juhle Property is not recommended to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion D.

Based on Lori Thursby and Carrie Schomig's (2010) National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form illustrating the *Tobacco Barns of Southern Maryland, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, and St. Mary's Counties*, The Juhle Property Tobacco Barn is recommended to be individually eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criteria A and C. Under Criterion A, this barn represents major patterns in American history, namely that of tobacco agriculture in Southern Maryland. Under Criterion C, this barn represents distinctive characteristics of architecture and construction in relation to tobacco farming in Southern Maryland.

Thursby and Schomig (2010) note that to be eligible for inclusion in the NRHP, air curing tobacco barns must have been built prior to 1960 and they must stand in original farm locations within one of the five Southern Maryland Counties. Barns also must retain "character-defining features" such as representative framing systems and ventilation systems and intact tiers and rows. According to the authors, the additions and subtractions of stripping sheds, barn additions and roof replacements do not affect integrity as long as historic function and design remain suggested. Furthermore, barns should ideally be set in rural or agricultural surroundings that reflect the agricultural history of the region. Twentieth century barns with intact stripping rooms would contribute to the barn's historical significance and overall integrity.

The Juhle Property Tobacco Barn is an air curing tobacco barn as evidenced by the presence of gaps between plank siding members, gaps beneath the ground surface and sills and numerous entries. Investigation of this barn suggests that it has been used for the air curing and processing of tobacco until the recent past. Aside from the hex sign, there are no alterations that suggest any other use aside from its current application as a storage building and thus integrity is high. Additionally, a selection of sticks is present within the barn. Evidence suggests that this barn is located in its original location which includes a setting that is significantly similar to that of the period that the barn was an active tobacco processing facility.

Due to high levels of integrity, the Juhle Property Tobacco Barn is individually significant in regards to tobacco farming in Southern Maryland and it is recommended to be eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C.

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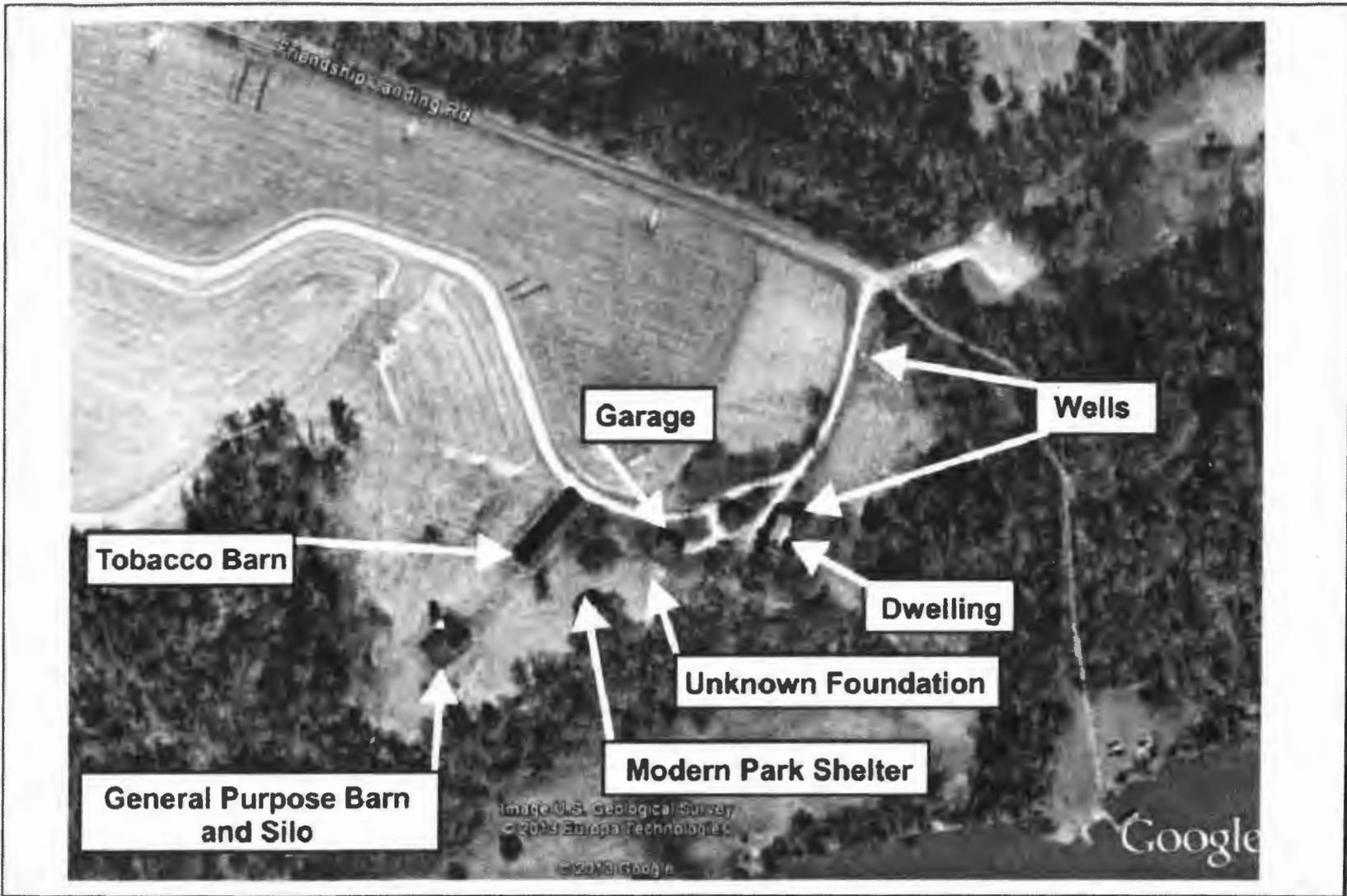


Vicinity of Juhle Property

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Attachment 1:
Vicinity of Juhle Property Located on
1978 USGS
Nanjemoy, Maryland Quadrangle.





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Attachment 2:
**Built Components of the Juhle Property Located on
2007 GoogleEarth Aerial Photograph.**

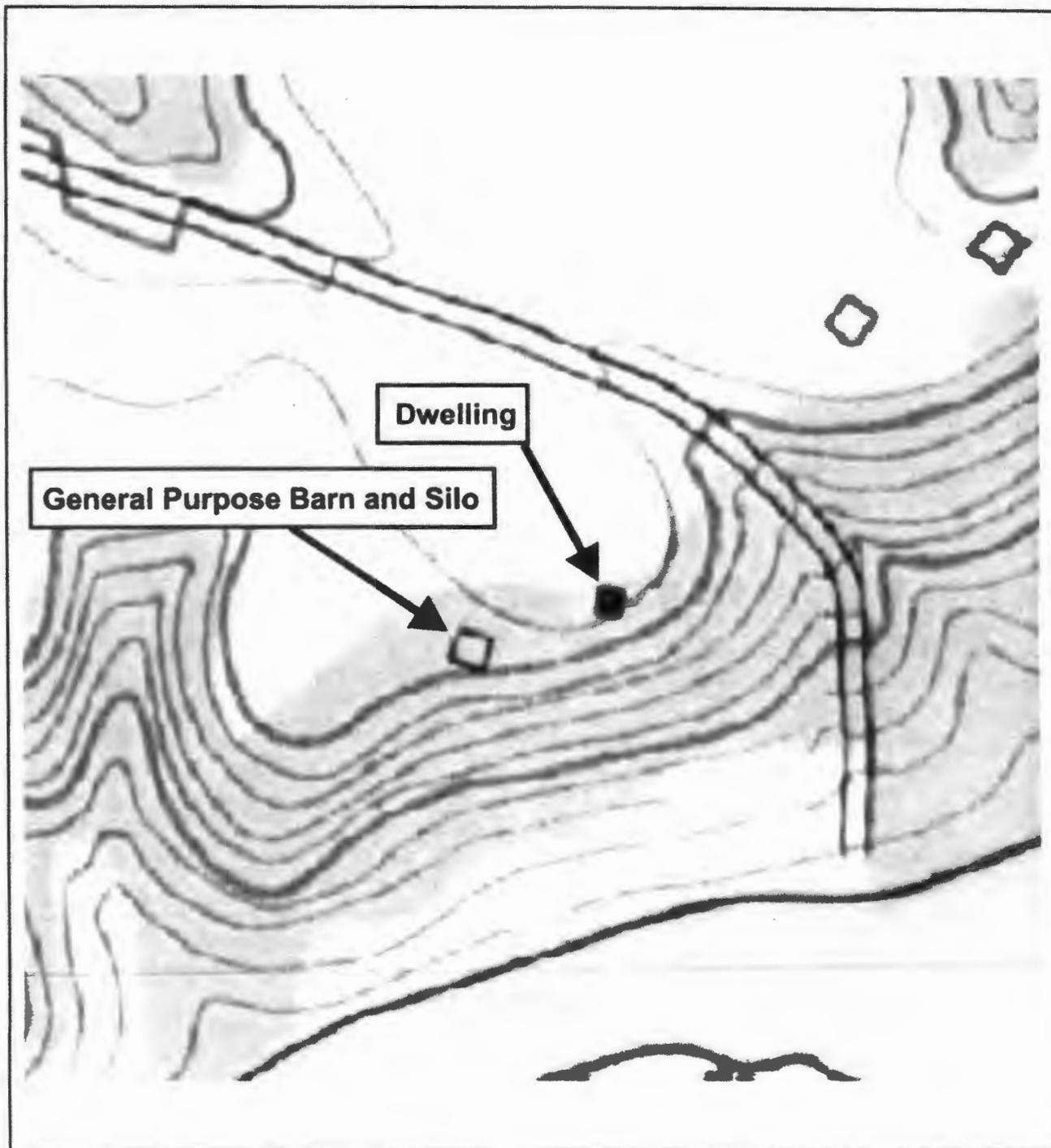




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Attachment 3:
**Juhle Property Buildings and Structures on
1952 Aerial Photograph.**

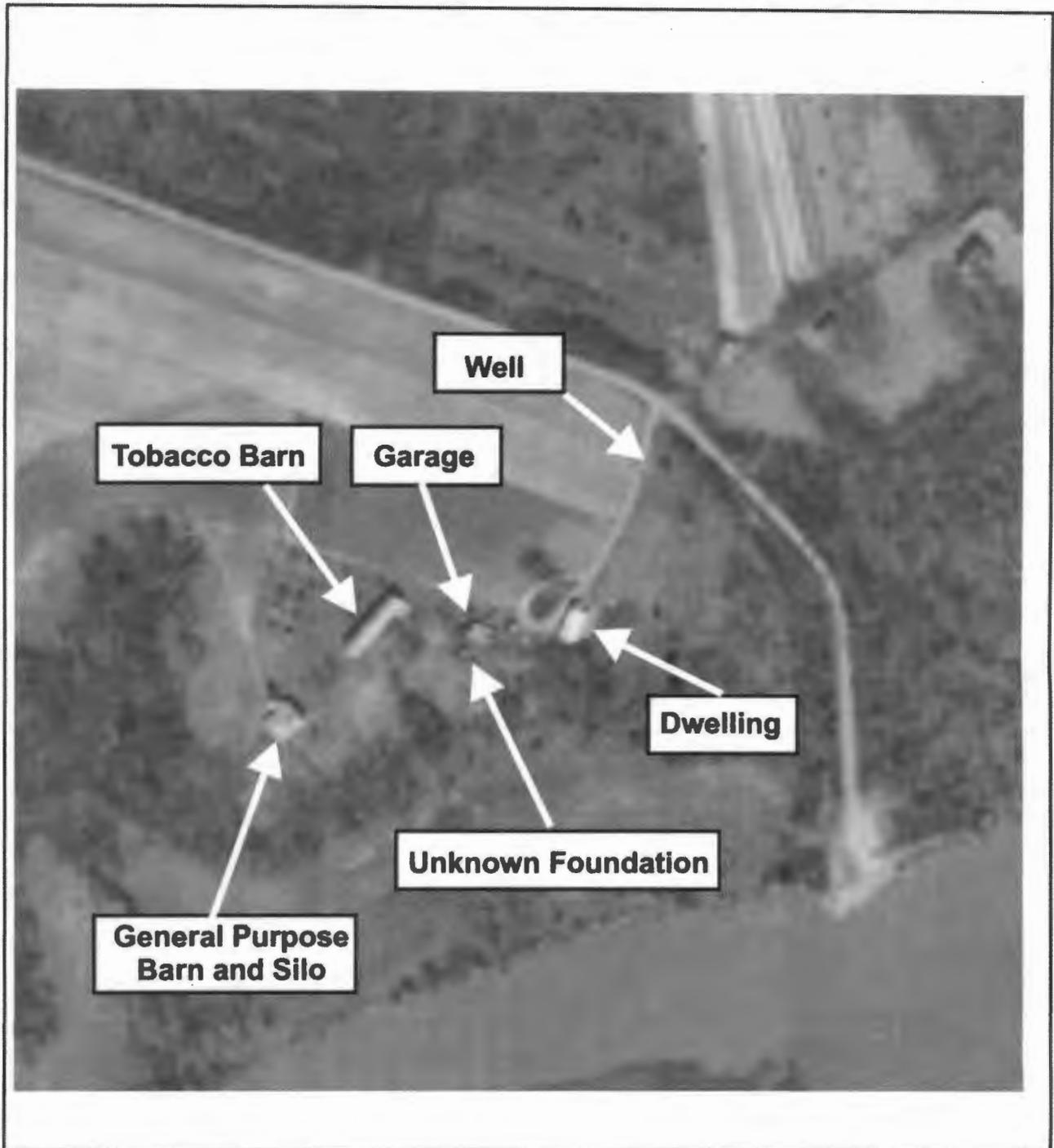




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Attachment 4:
Juhle Property Buildings and Structures on
1955 USGS Nanjemoy, Maryland Quadrangle.





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Attachment 5:
**Juhle Property Buildings and Structures on
1963 Aerial Photograph.**



Photo Log

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CH-650, Juhle Property-
4705 Friendship Landing Road,
Nanjemoy, MD, 20662

Photo Dates- 2/4/13

Photographer- Aaron Levinthal

All photos are color digital files, taken with a Nikon Coolpix S6200 camera, printed in black and white on HP Premium Plus Glossy Archival Photo Paper using an Epson Artisan 837 Ink Jet printer fitted with Epson TO Series (Claria Hi Definition) archival inks. Photos are saved on a Verbatim 700 MB Ultralife Gold Archive CD-R labeled with a SafeWrite pen for CD/DVD/BluRay.

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Farm overview from driveway, view SW

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Modern Park Shelter, view SW

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CH-650

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Juhle Farm (preferred)
 other Part of Friendship

2. Location

street and number 4705 Friendship Landing Road not for publication
 city, town Nanjemoy X vicinity
 county Charles

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

name Charles County Commissioners
 street and number P.O. Box 2150 telephone 301-645-5550
 city, town LaPlata state MD zip code 20646

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Charles County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 61-5
 city, town LaPlata liber 2262 folio 500

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade		<u> 1 </u> buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense		<u> </u> sites
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		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<u> 3 </u>	<u> 1 </u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input checked="" 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	
			<u> 0 </u>	

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 type="checkbox"/> altered

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

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GARAGE (A)

The garage/workshop, circa 1950, is a front gable structure located behind the dwelling along a winding farm drive. This is a frame structure standing on a combination concrete block and poured concrete foundation. Vertical board siding covers the building while the roof is sheathed in metal. Rafters are exposed. The building measures approximately 33 feet in length and 27 feet in width.

TOBACCO BARN/STRIPPING SHED (B)

The tobacco barn and stripping shed were built circa 1950. The main barn is a long rectangular frame building with a gambrel roof. The frame, covered in vertical board siding, rests on poured concrete piers that in many places are reinforced with feet that extend outward approximately 2-3 feet from the exterior wall. These raised piers are up to three feet in height above grade and support the raised sill. They likely served as a ventilation system for air-curing tobacco in combination with the doors on each elevation. The structure is 14 bays in length, with each bay measuring approximately 8 feet. The barn is approximately 125 feet long and thirty feet wide. Access to the barn is through two principal runways that follow the ridgeline. Drive through access is also provided on the eave wall with the presence of double doors on either side. The interior reveals that the barn holds a total of seven tiers including the rafters and collar beams. The framing system incorporates downbracing.

The stripping shed is attached to the southeast corner. It is sheathed in vertical board siding and has a shed roof that slopes away from the barn. A concrete block chimney flue is attached to the southeast corner of the exterior wall. There is no interior access to the main barn from the shed. The interior walls have been insulated with board and include a rectangular worktable along the outside wall.

GRANARY/COW BARN (C)

This structure is believed to have been built around 1930 and features post-in-ground framing. The earliest portion consists of a square structure that has three bays. The northeast elevation includes a centered open doorway below a smaller open section above. Although this would appear to suggest the presence of a loft, interior examination provides no evidence of such a feature. The principal posts in the main section are blackened appearing to have been treated with a kerosene or oil preservative to prevent deterioration. Two shed additions have been extended from the rear and include sloping roofs. This shed is supported by locust posts set directly in the ground and in some instances the bark remains on the posts. A second addition includes a shed attached to the west wall. This addition is nearest the silo and includes a low loft with an opening adjacent to the silo. A hammer mill for grinding feed and as well as wooden beehive boxes now containing ears of corn are still present in the loft, giving evidence of the farms earlier products. Snaking through the ground floor is a low feed trough, raised approximately one foot off the ground. It is supported with short wooden posts. The upright cylindrical silo is of poured concrete block construction.

DWELLING (D)

The original Craftsman-style dwelling, first built around 1930, has been drastically altered. The house is therefore not considered to be a contributing resource.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 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	1930; 1950	Architect/Builder	Unknown
Construction dates	1930-1950		

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.)

The Juhle Property is significant for its collection of outbuildings that reflect the County's early and mid-20th century agricultural heritage. Evolving in response to the rise of automotive transport, improved roads, and the local development of several towns, Juhle, like many others in Charles County operated a "general farm" that included a combination of tobacco cultivation, farm produce, poultry and livestock that were trucked to local and regional markets.(1) This followed a general trend toward agricultural diversification in the county throughout the latter part of the 19th and early 20th centuries.

After the Civil War, the agriculturally based economy in Charles County remained depressed and tobacco prices consistently fell until the end of the 19th century. This steady decline encouraged many farmers to diversify their interests and expand production of those items that had once been solely for family consumption. In the early 20th century, automotive and road improvements opened up new markets for farm products. This meant that honey, nuts, orchard products, poultry, dairy and livestock could now be quickly and efficiently transported to larger markets. Local and state officials recognized the potential impact of new technologies on the depressed agricultural economy of southern Maryland and quickly proposed several infrastructure improvements. In 1910, the State Roads Commission began a project to connect Riverside to LaPlata, current day Route 6, and in 1922 the Southern Maryland Truckline, current Rt. 301, was started.

Despite this diversification, tobacco continued to be extensively cultivated. After the turn of the 20th century, tobacco prices began to rise and continued to do so throughout mid-century, creating a flurry of increased production. Rapid increases in production led to new barn construction. These new barns were adapted to respond to market trends as well as advances in agricultural technology. Both barn size and design were affected. Single and double drive-through isles found on the gable walls, gambrel roofs and an overall massive sizes characterized mid-20th century tobacco barns.

The Juhle tobacco barn fits written descriptions of 20th century Maryland tobacco barns in its overall dimensions and orientation. The February 1946 issue of Maryland Tobacco Grower suggested placing the long side of the structure toward the prevailing wind, while another account recommended the long wall to the south. In March of 1951, W.W. Garner described Maryland tobacco barns as typically 24 - 36 feet in width with a length a multiple of sixteen feet. A 36x140 feet barn, 17 feet high would hold 47,000 plants of 5 acres worth of tobacco, a manageable amount for a farm family with the help of seasonal laborers.(2)

The presence of silos, used for grain and feed storage, was also a 20th century innovation. Silos presented a way to store green, rather than dried fodder. This green fodder could be fed to livestock year round, allowing farmers to economically keep a larger number of cattle than had previously been feasible.

Originally part of "Friendship", a large tract purchased by Thomas Dent from Captain Guither before 1676, during the 18th century a small dwelling (CH-8), barn and grist mill (CH-9, CH-202) stood nearby. The Dent family retained ownership of the property

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until 1816 when the farm, encompassing 1,052 acres, was sold to Joseph Gray, Sr. and his brother John Franklin Gray. After the Gray's purchase, the property was divided into two parcels. Joseph assumed possession of the northern half which continued to be known as Friendship and included the Karlsson and Juhle Farms as well as property on the north side of Friendship Landing Road. John acquired the lower portion which he renamed "Chinquapin." Joseph Gray owned a number of tracts in the neighborhood and resided at Mansion Hall (CH-20site) about one mile northwest of Durham Church. The property descended through the Gray family until 1925 when George William Gray sold to Arthur Karlsson 288 acres of the Friendship tract. Karlsson in turn sold to Berwald Juhle, his brother-in-law, the 139 acres bordering Nanjemoy Creek. (3)

ENDNOTES

1. The term "general farm" is used in the 1920 U.S. Census for Charles County by enumerators.
2. Wasch, pp. 68-69
3. Rivoire, 1993.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 5

Acreage of historical setting 139.127

Quadrangle name Nanjemoy

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property at 4705 Friendship Landing Road is associated with Charles County Property Tax May 61, Grid 3, Parcel 5.

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Charles County Planning

date 1/25/01

street and number 200 Baltimore Street

telephone 301-396-5815

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.

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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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville MD 21032
410-514-7600

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Juhle Property
name of property
Charles County, MD
county and state

Chain of title:

- December 19, 1933 Arthur Karlsson to Bernwald Juhle 135.25a. "Part of Friendship"
Plat Book WMA 1: Folio 36
- April 16, 1925 George William and Fannie D. Gray to Arthur Karlsson. "Friendship"
containing 288 acres acquired as follows.
WMA 43 Folio 459

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Charles County, Maryland

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History) October 1993.

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RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

Date: _____

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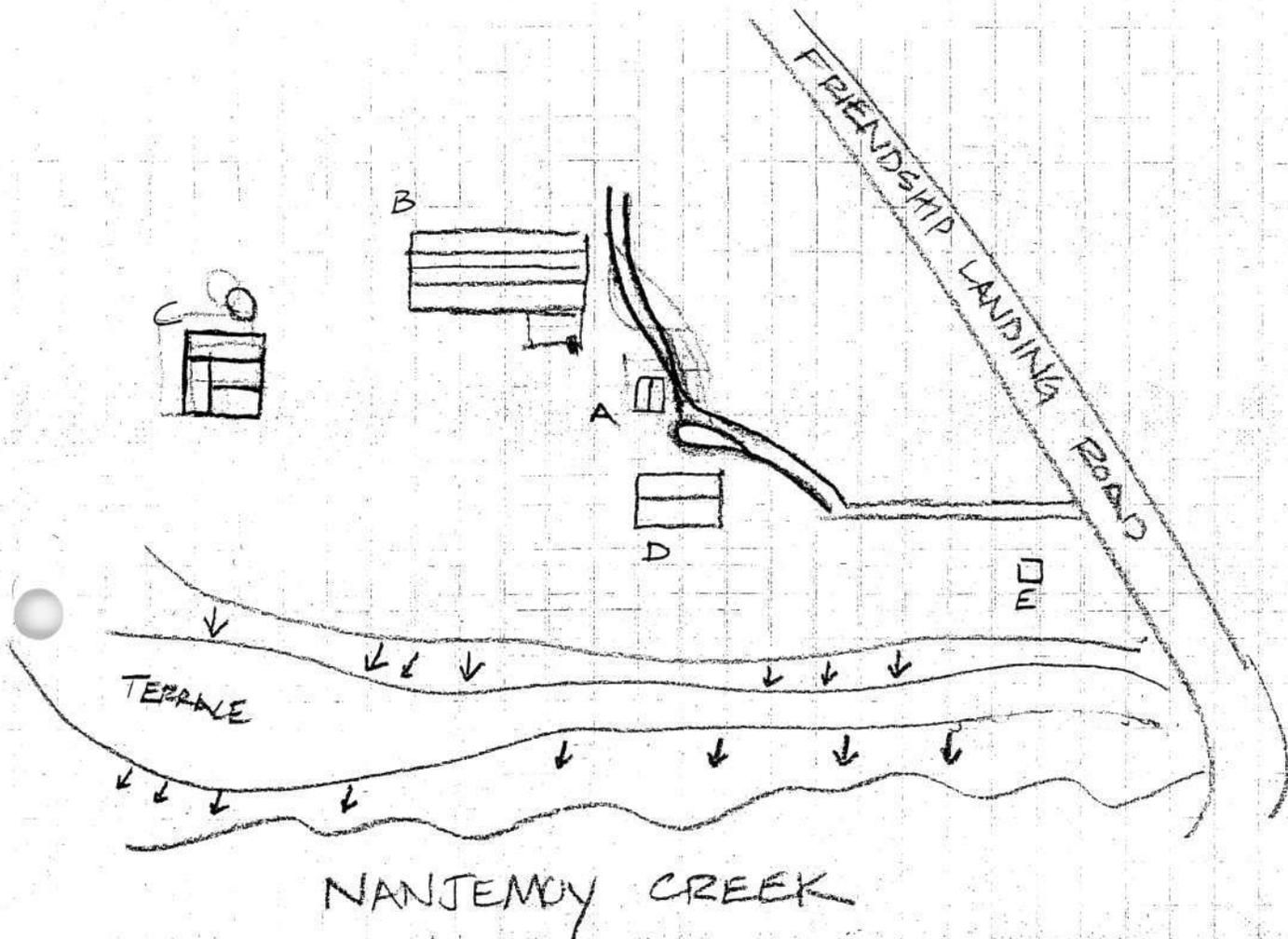
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Address: 4705 FRIENDSHIP LANDING RD

CH - 650

Charles County, Maryland

NANJEMY Vicinity



- A - GARAGE
- B - TOBACCO BARN
- C - BARN/SILO
- D - DWELLING
- E - WELL

RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

Date: 1/2001

North arrow:



Name: JIHLE PROPERTY

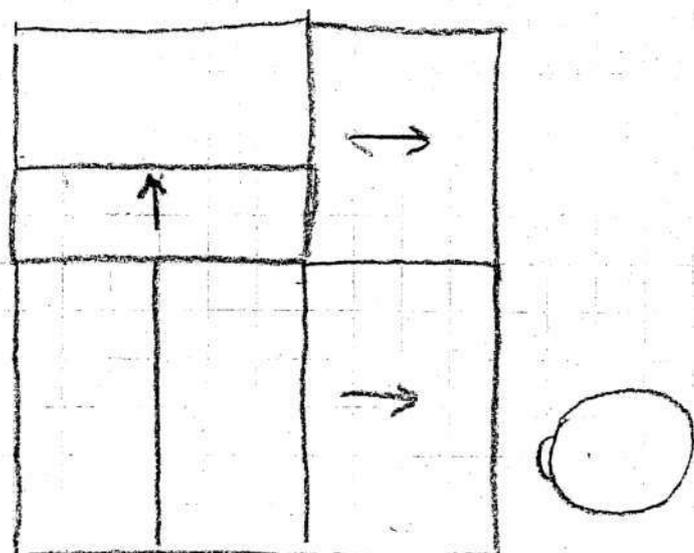
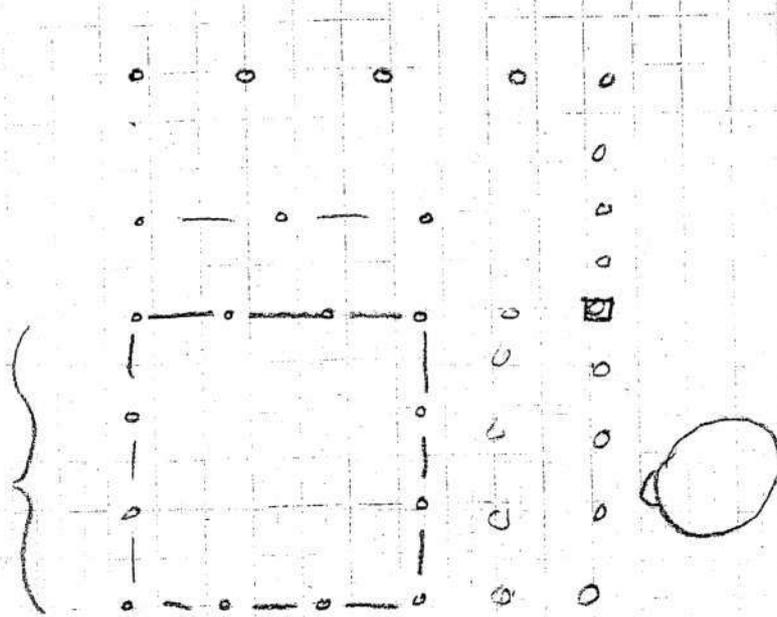
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Charles County, Maryland

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CAPSULE SUMMARY

CH-650

Juhle Tobacco Barn

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Friendship Landing Road

Nanjemoy

Charles County, Maryland

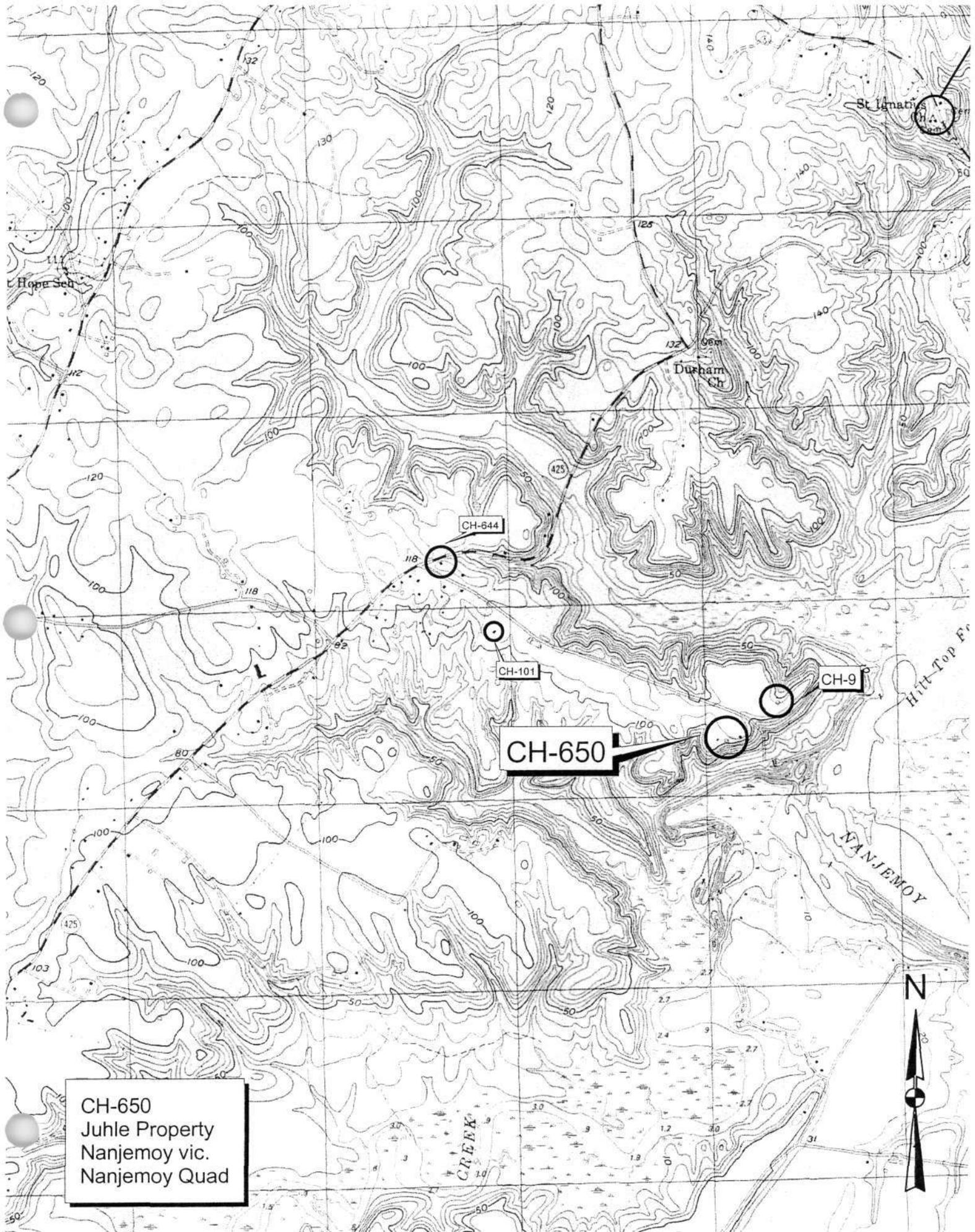
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Juhle Tobacco Barn is situated on a flat plain 200 feet above an inlet of the Nanjemoy Creek. The barn is part of the Juhle farm complex that is now owned by Charles County and part of a public park. The barn exhibits a modern double-aisle plan and measures one-hundred-and-twenty by twenty-seven feet. Timbers within the barn are circular sawn and regular in dimension. The barn is covered with a shallow-pitched gambrel roof. A stripping shed with a chimney adjoins the barn at the east end of its south elevation.

Juhle Tobacco Barn is a well-preserved example the large-scale tobacco barn construction that occurred in the mid-twentieth-century across southern Maryland.

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Juhle Tobacco Barn
Friendship Landing Rd.
Nanjemoy
Charles County, Maryland

For additional documentation of this resource see the "Southern Maryland Tobacco
Barn Project"; call number FRR Mary 21



CH-650
Juhle Property
Nanjemoy vic.
Nanjemoy Quad



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JOHLE PROPERTY

FRIENDSHIP LANDING

1/2001

C. CURREY

MD SHPO

BARN ? SILO, LOOKING WEST

1 OF 5



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JUHLE PROPERTY

FRIENDSHIP LANDING

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C. CURREY

MD SHPO

TOBACCO BARN, INTERIOR, LOOKING WEST

2 of 5



CH-650

JUHLE PROPERTY

FRIENDSHIP LANDING

1/2001

C. CURREY

MID SHPO

BARN ? SILO. LOOKING NORTH

3 of 5



CH 650

JUHLE PROPERTY

FRIENDSHIP LANDING

112001

C. CURREY

MD SHPO

BARN INTERIOR, LOOKING EAST

4 OF 5



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JUHLE FARM
FRIENDSHIP LANDING
1/2001
C. CURREY
MD SHPO
HAMMER MILL
5 OF 5