

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

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~20079~~ CH-836
7610

Address: ~~7710~~ Crain Highway, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Mady, Ibrahim R.

Tax Parcel Number: ~~28~~ 49 Tax Map Number: 44

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended 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: _____

Is district listed?: no yes

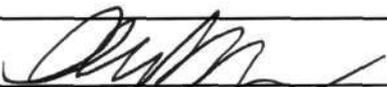
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

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

The c. 1920 house is an example of a Colonial Revival with a side-gambrel roof and continuous dormer across the main elevation. The house is sided in wood weatherboard. The entrance way has a portico with a front gable pediment and two Tuscan columns. The entrance consists of a single-leaf, multi-light door with sidelights and a multi-light transom. All of the windows are all 6/1, double-hung, sash windows. Brick chimneys, with corbeled caps, rise above each end of the gambrel roof. A screened-in, one-story porch is located at the south elevation.

The population of Charles County in the middle of the 20th century numbered less than 25,000 people and the economy was based upon agricultural production, especially tobacco. Charles County was one the of the largest producers of tobacco in the State of Maryland. The need to move the tobacco products from Charles County to other parts of the state and beyond, assisted in the acceptance of more efficient methods of moving products and people around the county. Communities had originally expanded because of the opportunities that had been brought about by the railroad. An influx of new stores, churches, schools and other community resources were constructed as a result of the increase in population. In 1903, La Plata acquired the first passenger car dealership in Charles County.

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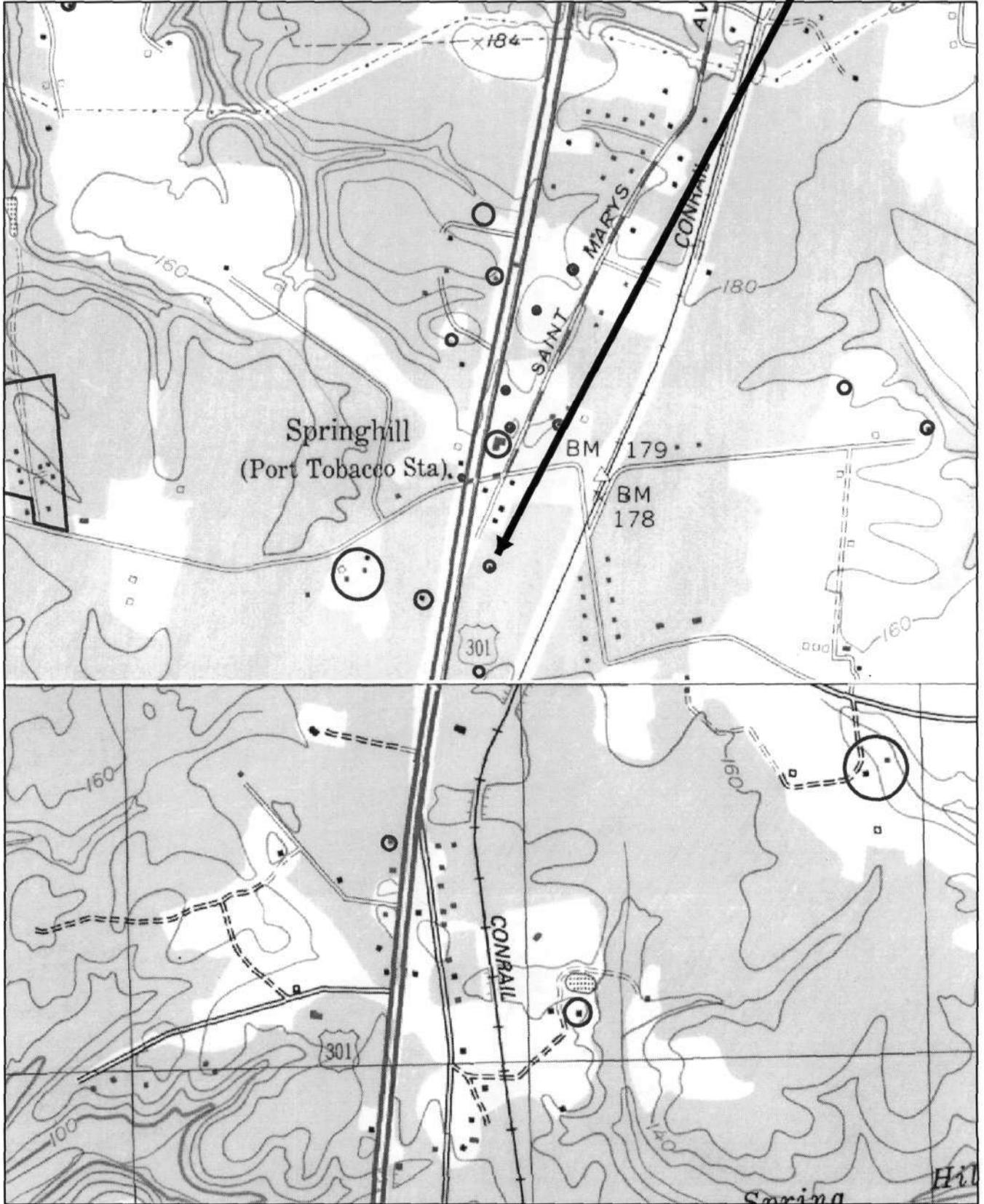
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Construction of the Robert Crain Highway was begun in 1922 and the population increased again as a result of the new accessibility of the region.

The growth of the population in Charles County led to the increase of housing construction, designed in the styles of the times. The architecture of early years of the twentieth century in Charles County reflected the influences of the waning years of the Victorian Era and the introduction of the Colonial Revival to the landscape. As the twentieth century progressed, smaller house plans, such as the Bungalow and its vernacular interpretations, began to be constructed in Charles County. These housing designs were a result of attitudes emphasizing simpler lifestyle and a view back toward the United States' earlier times.

7710 Crain Highway is not eligible for the National Register. Although this circa 1920 house is a typical example of Colonial Revival-style architecture, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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7610 Crain Highway
La Plata
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La Plata Quad
Map 44 Parcel 49





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View of west elevation

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