

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

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~420050~~ CH-839

Address: 7500 Block of Dolly Drive, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Unknown

Tax Parcel Number: 262 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 single family dwellings located on the 7500 Block of Dolly Drive are all one-story in height and two-bays wide. They are each stuccoed and have a side gable roof. One of the bays of the facades is occupied by a side entry, flanked to each side by a narrow double-hung sash window, and the other is pierced by a single double-hung sash window. Minor alterations have been made to the houses making them slightly distinct in appearance. 7545 Dolly Drive has 4/4, double-hung, sash sidelights flanking the entry and a 6/6, double-hung, sash window occupies the other bay. All of the façade windows on 7540 Dolly Drive are 6/6, double-hung, sash windows, while 7570 Dolly Drive has only 1/1, double-hung, sash windows on its primary elevation.

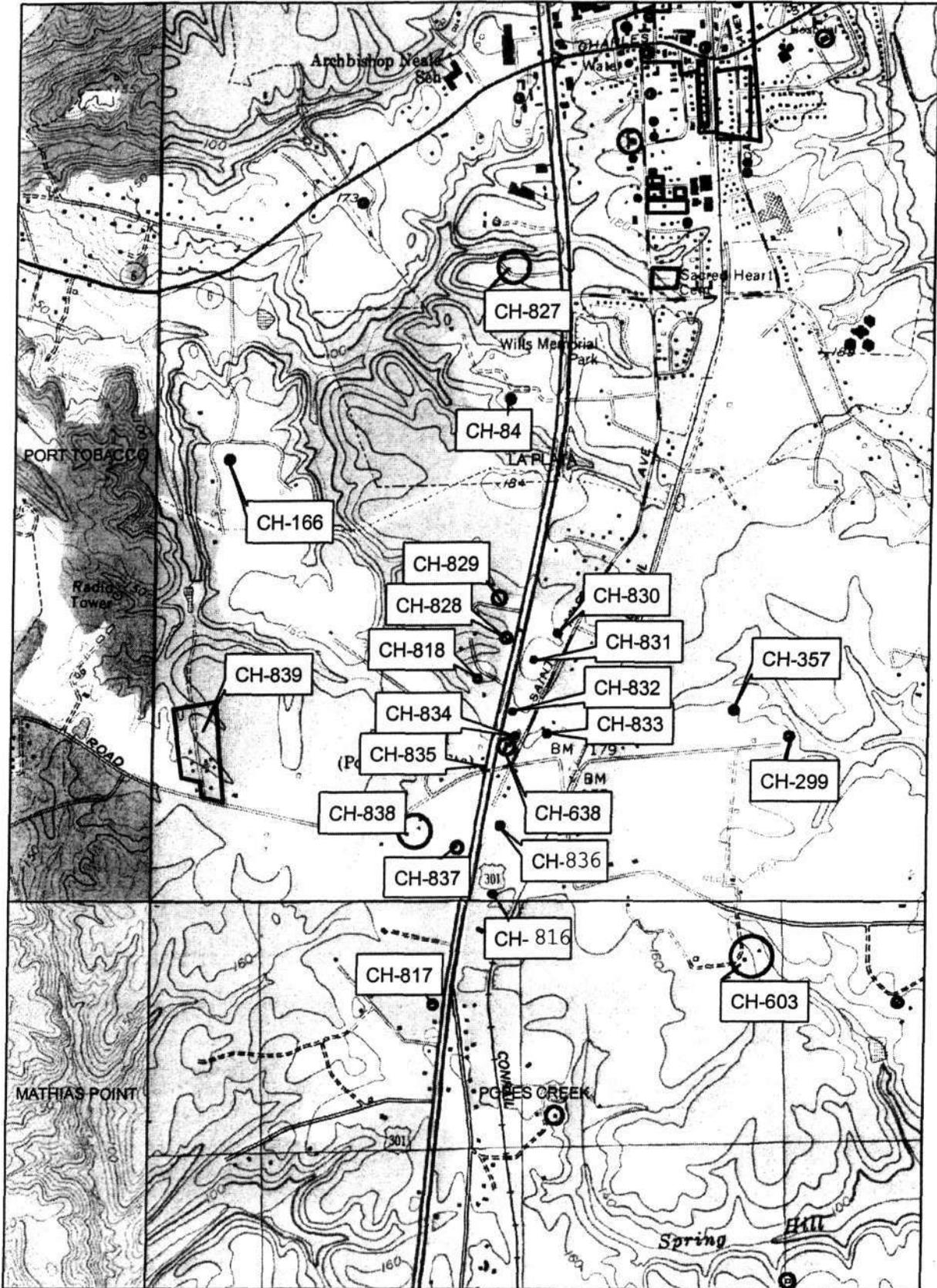
Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of Charles County. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway, later expanded as part of U.S. 301, attracted new development to older communities along its corridor. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to the Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s.

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Reviewer, NR Program	Date

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in La Plata's community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s. Earlier trends in travel-related services and entertainment along the Crain Highway grew somewhat when the highway was extended across the Potomac River to Virginia through southern Charles County and over the new Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, thus completing a route from New York to Florida.

Built circa 1930, the houses on the 7500 Block of Dolly Drive are not eligible for the National Register. While they are an example of suburban residential development within La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.





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7500 Block of Dolly Drive
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View looking northwest
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View of east elevation

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