

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

Property Name: Wheeler Property Inventory Number: ~~CH-965~~ CH-965

Address: ⁹⁶³⁰ Crain Highway, Charles County - in the vicinity of Faulkner

Owner: Margaret Swann & Mary L. Proctor

Tax Parcel Number: 24150 Tax Map Number: 64

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

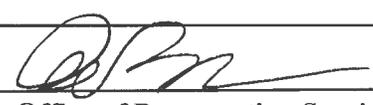
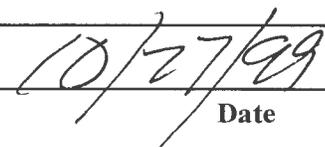
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

The dwelling at the junction of Faulkner Road and Crain Highway is associated with Wheeler's Barbershop and Café (N-0023). This circa 1920s wood frame house is one story in height and three bays wide. The symmetrical house has a side gable roof clad with asphalt shingles. A small, front gable porch supported by simple wood posts marks the central entrance.

Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of Charles County. Charles County experienced the expansion of commercial establishments which catered to the tourist trade along the Robert Crain Highway and its successor U.S. 301.

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in Charles County's 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

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Wheeler Property

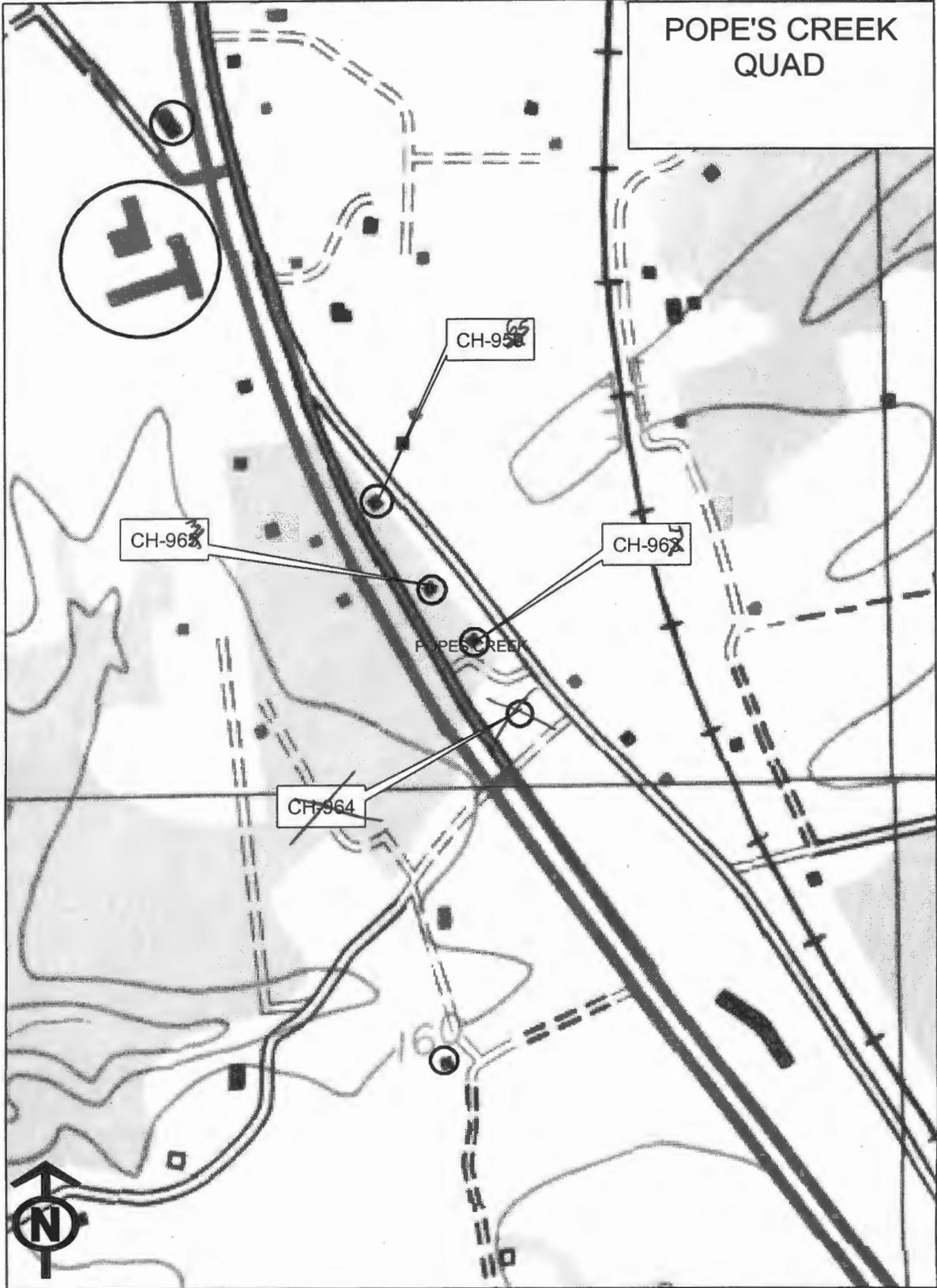
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the Potomac River to Virginia through southern Charles County and over the new Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, thus completing a route from New York to Florida.

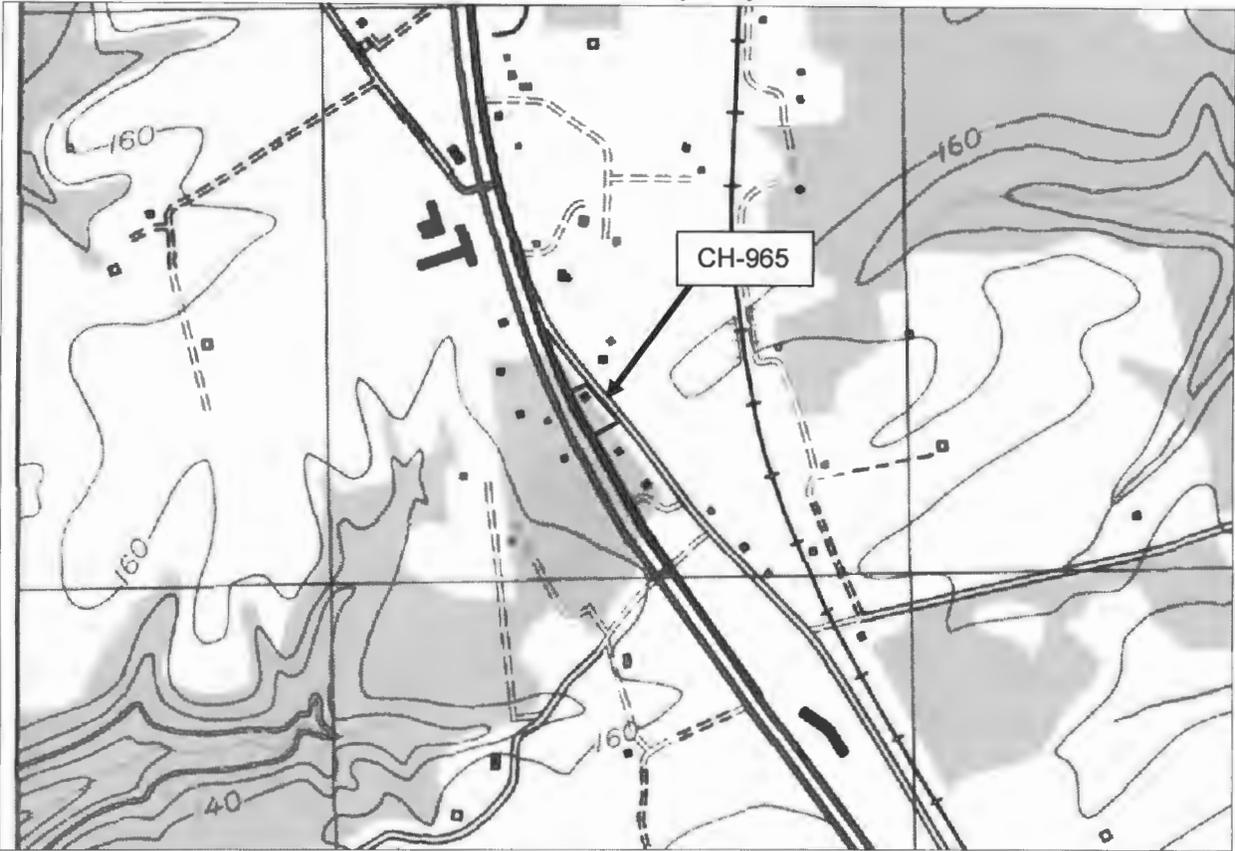
Built circa 1920, this vernacular house is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the modest commercial and residential development along U.S. 301, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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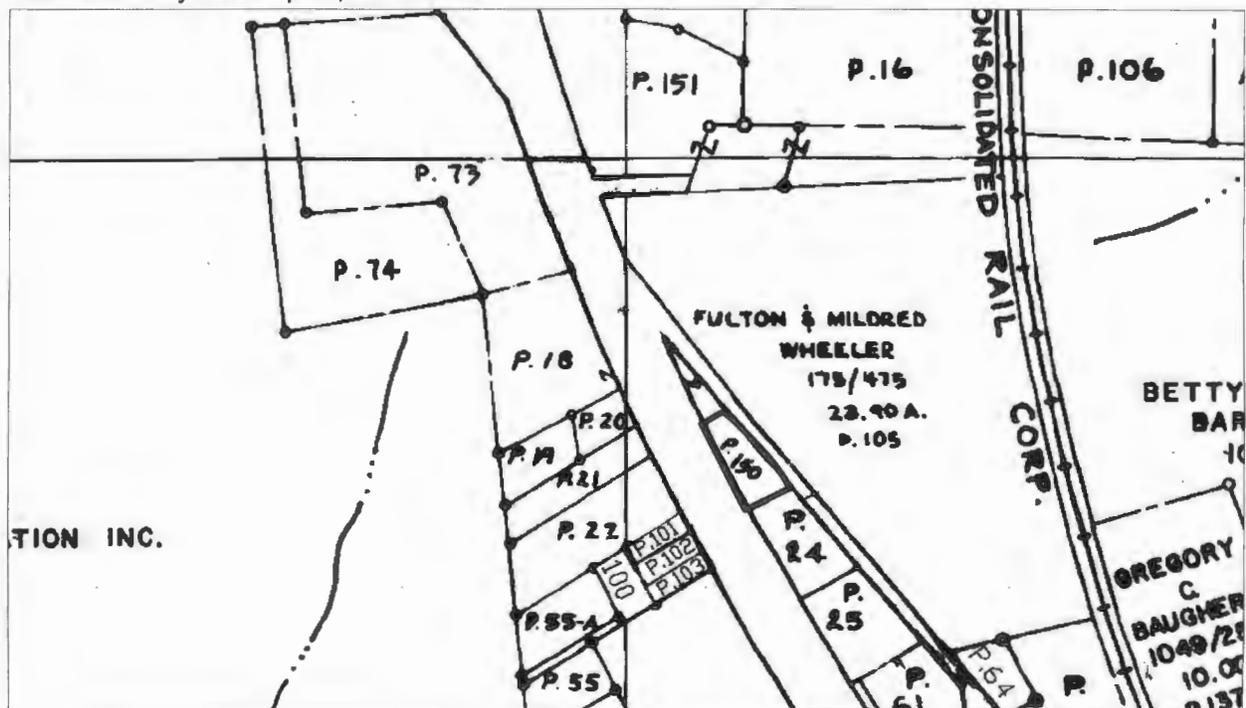
POPE'S CREEK
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 Wheeler Property
 9630 Crain Highway (U.S. 301), Faulkner
 Pope's Creek Quadrangle 1953, Photorevised 1974, Bathymetry Added 1982



Charles County Tax Map 64, Parcel 150





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~~Faulkner Road and Crain Highway~~

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View of West elevation

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9630 Crain Hwy.