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

Property/District Name: 5301 New Design Road Survey Number: F-3-149

Project: New Design Road improvements Agency: FHWA/Frederick County

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no \_\_\_ yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility **not** recommended X

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)

Based on the available information, the property at 5301 New Design Road, south of Frederick City, is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property consists of a two story frame house, probably dating to the late 19th century, and c. 1950s single story house. The older house does not appear to have possessed any particular architectural significance and in its current, much altered, state conveys little sense of the original historic character. The single story house is less than 50 years of age and of no particular significance. Thus, the property does not appear to meet Criterion C for architecture. It is not known to have had any association with significant events or people, and thus is unlikely to meet Criteria A or B. Although the property is heavily vegetated, it is in a rapidly developing non-historic area.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory  
form F-3-149

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Elizabeth Hannold December 16, 1996  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: X yes \_\_\_ no \_\_\_ not applicable  
Peter S. Kuntz 12/16/96  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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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 Adaption

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: na

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## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 5301 New Design Road

## 2. Location

street & number 5301 New Design Road  not for publication

city, town Frederick  vicinity of Frederick congressional district 6

state Maryland county Frederick

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district)	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Clarence P. Handley

street & number 5301 New Design Road telephone no.: 301-663-1483

city, town Frederick state and zip code Maryland 21701

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse Liber 953

street & number W. Patrick Street Folio 72

city, town Frederick state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title N/A

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved      date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

### DESCRIPTION SUMMARY:

This complex is nestled along the north bank of Ballenger Creek on the east side of New Design Road in Frederick County, just south of Frederick. Although the immediate surroundings of the complex are heavily vegetated, substantial suburban development has occurred on all sides of the property. The principal building which faces west is a two story, three bay (with only two openings at the second story level) frame house covered with German siding. A hip roofed one story porch across the front has been partially enclosed. Also on the property and closer to the creek is an abandoned ranch-type dwelling dating from the 1950s and covered with wooden weatherboarding.

### **General Description**

The house is narrow with vertical proportions. The enclosure of the front porch obscures the first story. An exterior chimney on the north gable end is constructed of stone at the first story level, with a brick flue above. This could indicate that the first story is older than the upper portion of the house.

The front entrance is located in the south bay of the front or west elevation. It is not aligned with the upper story above it. Windows have six over six light sash with plain architraves. The roofing material is asphalt shingles. The exterior appearance of the house suggests that the interior space is one room deep.

The main building appears to be in good condition, while the vacant ranch house is in deteriorated condition.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance (Check and justify below)			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> invention			<input type="checkbox"/> other(specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/orApplicable Exceptions:  A  B  C  D  E  F  GLevel of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

### SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY:

This creek-side complex appears to date from the late 19th century, with an additional 1950s ranch-type house. It is an example of a late 19th century vernacular building although it appears to have been substantially altered at the exterior. Of frame construction, it is typical of modest turn-of-the-century period housing in Frederick County. New Design Road in the immediate vicinity of the buildings and the current bridge over Ballenger Creek date from ca. 1950. Thus, the relationship of these buildings to the road is not historic. The vacant ranch house probably dates from the period after the present bridge was constructed.

### Historic Context

Frederick County and central Maryland in general were settled during the second half of the 18th century although there were habitations in the region as early as the 1730s. Although land was initially held by English entrepreneurs from eastern Maryland, the majority of settlers who actually lived in Frederick County were Germans who had migrated south from Pennsylvania. The area developed into a prime agricultural region with emphasis on the production of small grains. With grain farming dominating, related industries and transportation networks soon developed. Grist and flour milling was prevalent, as was distilling. Central Maryland along with south central Pennsylvania grew in importance as an agricultural region. In Maryland, Frederick and adjoining Washington County led the state in wheat and corn production throughout most of the 19th century. The allure of the agricultural prosperity of central Maryland influenced Robert E. Lee's plan to invade Maryland in the late summer of 1862. The greater region was the nation's bread basket until large scale grain production in the midwest overtook local production in the later 19th century. The agricultural economy of the region gradually changed from grain production to dairy farming, which is still important in agricultural production today.

### Resource History

According to the Isaac Bond map for Frederick County (1858) this site was occupied by a merchant mill and distillery under the name of M. Keefer. There appear to be no standing buildings representing this use, although portions of the existing buildings may include parts of earlier buildings or structures. The property was known in the mid-19th century as "New Richmond Mill." According to Frederick County Land Records, Michael Keefer deeded the mill property to Lewis Rice and Elhanan Bateman on January 1, 1850 (WBT/515). This appears to contradict the information on the Bond map.

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## Assessment

This property does not appear to be individually eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, because of alterations to the one historic building in the complex have compromised its integrity. Further, work on New Design Road will not impact the complex since the road will be relocated west of its present route, some distance west of the buildings.

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## HISTORICAL CONTEXT:

### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930 A.D.

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architectural/Landscape Architecture/Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Domestic/single dwelling

Known Design Source: Vernacular



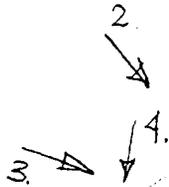
NEW DESIGN ROAD  
(NEW LOCATION)



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5301 NEW DESIGN RD  
FREDERICK, MD

APPROXIMATE SITE PLAN  
(NOT TO SCALE)



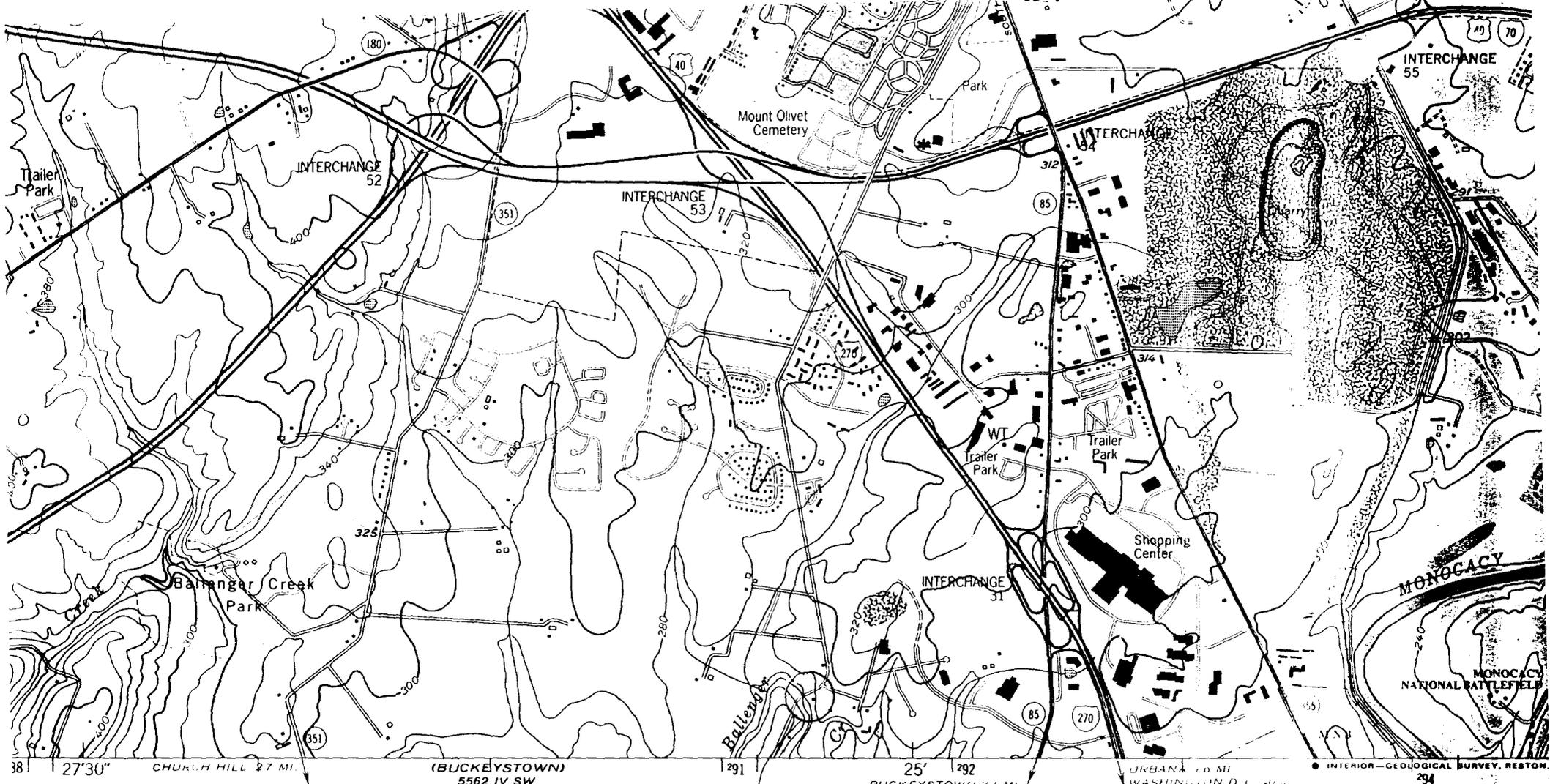
BALLANGER CREEK

BRIDGE

TWO STORY  
FRAME HOUSE

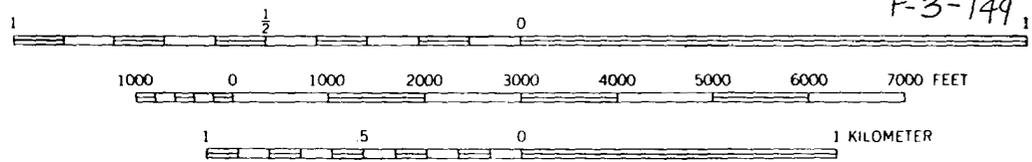
FRAME RANCH-STYLE  
DWELLING (VACANT)

NEW DESIGN  
ROAD



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SCALE 1:24000



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NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

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COMPLIES WITH U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY STANDARDS FOR SPATIAL ACCURACY - CLASS 2  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

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5301 NEW DESIGN RD.  
FREDERICK, MD

FREDERICK QUADRANGLE



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

Revisions shown in purple compiled by the U.S. Geological Survey from aerial photographs taken 1988 and other sources. This information not field checked. Map edited 1993

Information shown in purple may not meet USGS content standards and may conflict with previously mapped contour. Purple tint indicates extension of urban area.

ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
 Primary highway, hard surface  
 Secondary highway, hard surface  
 Interstate Route  
 Light-impro  
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5301 New Design Rd.

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General view S

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5301 New Design Rd

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Front (west) elevation E. view

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5310 New Design Rd.

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NE view

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Secondary Dwelling SE view

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