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Jacob Rice Farmstead
Lewistown vicinity
Private

1876-ca. 1910

The Jacob Rice Farmstead centers on an 1876 frame dwelling with a circa 1900-1910 expansion with german siding on both sections, a rear wing and a one-story porch on its main elevation. The surviving outbuildings include a frame smokehouse, a frame chicken house, and a frame hog barn incorporating a granary and a tool shed in the same structure. The house has been altered considerably on the interior, but the exterior retains much of its late 19th century character in the original siding and 6/6 windows. The significance of the farmstead is based on its architectural design, which clearly shows the expansion of the original house and its original materials. Although only a few of the outbuildings remain, their character is largely intact and identifiable in both design and location as to their function within the farm group.

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Lewistown

Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes

Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:

Domestic/single dwelling/residence

Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse

Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/chicken coop

Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Jacob Rice Farmstead ←

and/or common Windy Hollow Farm

2. Location

street & number 7221 Mountaindale Road ___ not for publication

city, town Lewistown vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Malcom I. & Mary Jane Nagle

street & number 7221 Mountaindale Road telephone no.:

city, town Frederick state and zip code MD 21701

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1378

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 921

city, town Frederick state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Brinkman Survey of Frederick County F-542

date C. 1968 federal state county local

depository for survey records Md. SHPO

city, town Crownsville state MD

7. Description

Survey No. F-3-83

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" 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 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.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 4

The Jacob Rice Farmstead is an originally agricultural complex, now principally a private residence, centered on an 1876 frame dwelling, enlarged in the early 1900's, and its remaining domestic and agricultural outbuildings, which include a frame smokehouse, a frame chicken house, and a frame hog barn with granary and tool shed. The outbuildings appear to date from the period 1876-1910. The farmstead is located on the south side of Mountaindale Road just west of Hansonville Road and U.S. 15 near Lewistown, Frederick County, Maryland. The buildings are located in a grove of trees at the end of a short driveway running south from Mountaindale Road and the principal elevation of the house faces east.

The dwelling is a two-story structure with two distinct sections apparent on the east elevation by a vertical batten over the german siding at the junction of the two parts. The siding differs slightly in profile as well. The south section was probably the original part. It has three bays on the first story and two on the second story, with 6/6 sash and a multi-panel glazed replacement door in the center bay of the first story. The northern section has two bays with a second entry and the same type of replacement door, and the 6/6 windows. A one-story porch extends across the entire elevation. It has a wood deck with square, tapered columns and a standing seam metal roof. The main roof is also standing seam metal and the molded cornice returns on the gable ends. Exterior brick chimneys are located at each gable end, replacing the probable original interior chimneys. Two bays flank the chimney on the south elevation, with 2/2 attic windows. A two-story rear wing is attached to the west elevation, with the original two-story integral open porch on the south side enclosed on both levels and extended on the first story. The north side of the ell has a sidelighted doorway with a 6-panel door. The doorway appears to be a late 19th century design with fluted verticals. The west elevation of the wing has a modern door and frame entry stoop and a small group of casement windows flanking the door. A third door is located in the extended first story of the south side of the wing. The interior of the house has two first floor parlors in the main section, each with a fireplace. The south fireplace is a stone structure, probably built in the 1930's. The north mantelpiece is an early 20th century reproduction Adamesque style with fluted elliptical panels. The interior door and window trim is simply molded and the walls are covered with modern wallpaper and the floors with wall to wall carpet.

Outbuildings:

Smokehouse: The frame smokehouse is located south of the rear wing, next to a modern brick patio with a large rebuilt brick fireplace, apparently the site of a demolished summer kitchen. The smokehouse is a one-story rectangular building with board-and-batten siding and a vertical board door in the east elevation. The gable roof is standing seam metal. The interior walls and ceiling beams are blackened and nails protrude as meat hooks from the upper beams. The smokehouse was probably built about the same time as the house.

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8. Significance

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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Specific dates 1876-1910 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

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

The Jacob Rice Farmstead is moderately significant for the architecture of the house and outbuildings. The late 19th century house plan and exterior details are still mostly intact and the clearly readable expansion of the house suggests the changing domestic needs of the original builders. The house was built in 1876 by Jacob D. Rice (1849-1933), according to the Williams and McKinsey History of Frederick County (1910). The biographical sketch mentions a barn erected at the same time, but this vital structure in the farmstead has not survived. The Rice family included four children and one son, John W. Rice, lived in the house with his wife and son along with his parents and a sister until 1922. The remaining outbuildings are typical examples of their types, the hog barn being in particularly good condition in the granary section.

A late 19th century farmstead in the Lewistown area is uncommon, since most of the farms were established in the first or second quarters of the 19th century, often as tenant farms on larger tracts, which later were sold as separate properties. This is the case with the Jacob Rice Farmstead, it being originally part of a larger farm located mostly to the south of the Rice farm and which now includes several separate parcels. The Rice Farmstead is therefore somewhat more significant than its integrity and variety of structures suggests. Further survey in the Lewistown area will help to clarify the context of the Rice Farmstead.

7.1 Description (Continued)

Chicken house: The frame chicken house is located west of the house and currently serves as a pool house for the modern swimming pool located just to its south. The chicken house has a shed corrugated metal roof over wood shingles. The exterior is vertical boards with window openings on the south and a feed shed is located in the center of the building between an enclosed section and an open section which is currently being remodeled. A door in the east elevation probably once opened into a feeding access aisle across the front of the building. The chicken house may date from about 1900-1910.

Hog barn with granary and tool shed: The frame hog barn with its associated uses is located immediately west of the chicken house. It has a gable roof with extended eaves on both the east and west sides. The center section is a granary with a winding stair leading to a grain storage loft above the level of the hog barn located on the west side. A dutch door in the barn section is located in the north elevation. A vertical board door next to it on the east opens into the granary section and a third door in the east section leads into a tool shed. The roof of the building is standing seam metal and the siding is board-and-batten. A loading door is located above the granary door, opening into the loft, and a 2/2 window lights the loft space. The hog barn and shed also date from about 1900-1910.

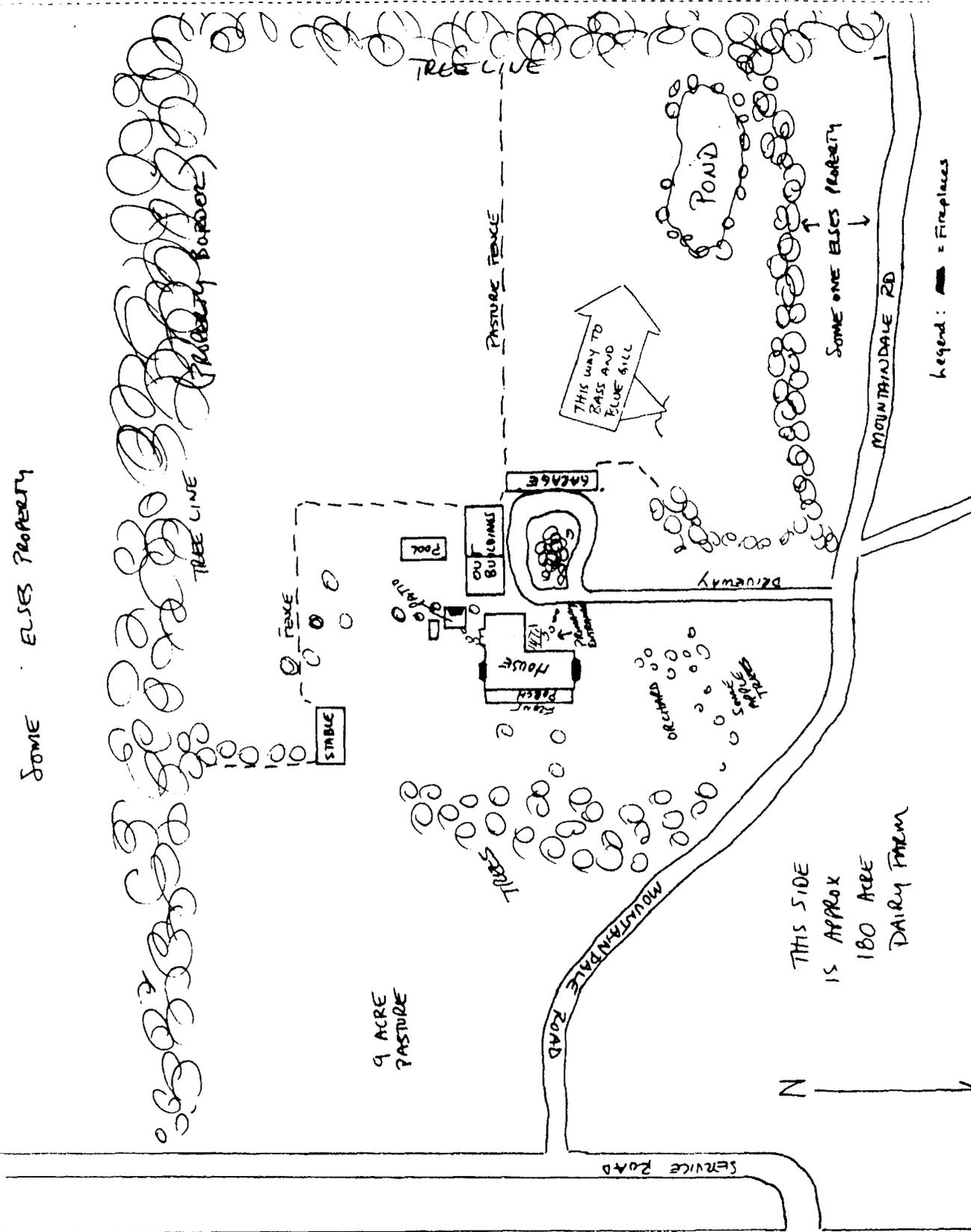
The farmstead also contains a non-contributing modern garage west of the hog barn and a non-contributing concrete block stable located south of the house and domestic outbuildings.

LIBER/F 0	GRANTEE	GRANTOR	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
1578/921 7 Nov 86	Malcolm Innes Nagle + Mary Jane Nagle	Roger C. & Helen M. Scherff			
558/385 3 Feb 56	Roger C. & Helen M. Scherff	Joseph & Stella E. Victor			
462/29 25 Mar 47	Joseph & Stella E Victor	William S. & Dorothy J. Johnson			
450/29 13 Sept 45	William S. & Dorothy Johnson	Frederick C. & Mary E. Rogers			
412/62 1 Apr 38	Frederick C. & Mary E. Rogers	Larkin H. & Ruby Dodd Miller			
399/327 24 Aug 35	Larkin H. & Ruby Dodd Miller	William F. & Agnes R. Kingston			
364/423 8 Dec 27	Wm S. & Agnes R. Kingston	Clare Reynolds			

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350/520 10 Dec 24	Elsie Reynolds	Allen & Susan C. Meller			
342/408 31 Mar 23	Allen & Susan C. Meller	John R. & Laura V. Spanseller			
342/233 2 Mar 23	John R. & Laura V. Spanseller	J. William & Elsie A. Strine			
338/254 31 Mar 22	J. William & Elsie A. Strine	John M. & Rosa Rice & Jacob D. Rice (undrawn)			
292/142 24 Jan 10	John M. & Rosa Rice & Jacob D. Rice	Jacob D. & Catherine E. Rice			
AF 3/120 30 Mar 1876	Jacob D. & Catherine E. Rice	Samuel & Florence V. Soms	House presumed to have been built by Rice in 1876 See to Williams & McKenney, p 987-988)		
T 6 2/159 17 Apr 1874	Samuel & Florence V. Soms	Jacob W. & Ann Catherine Clem			

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SOME ELSES PROPERTY

TREE LINE (PROPERTY BOUNDARY)

TREE LINE

TREE LINE

PASTURE FENCE

POND

SOME ONE ELSES PROPERTY

MOUNTAINDALE RD

Legend: [Symbol] = Fireplaces

THIS WAY TO BRASS AND BLUE GILL

GARAGE

OUT BUILDINGS

POOL

FENCE

STABLE

HOUSE

ORCHARD
SOME MAPLES

DRIVEWAY

TREES

9 ACRE PASTURE

MOUNTAINDALE ROAD

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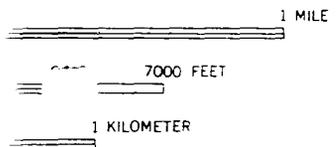
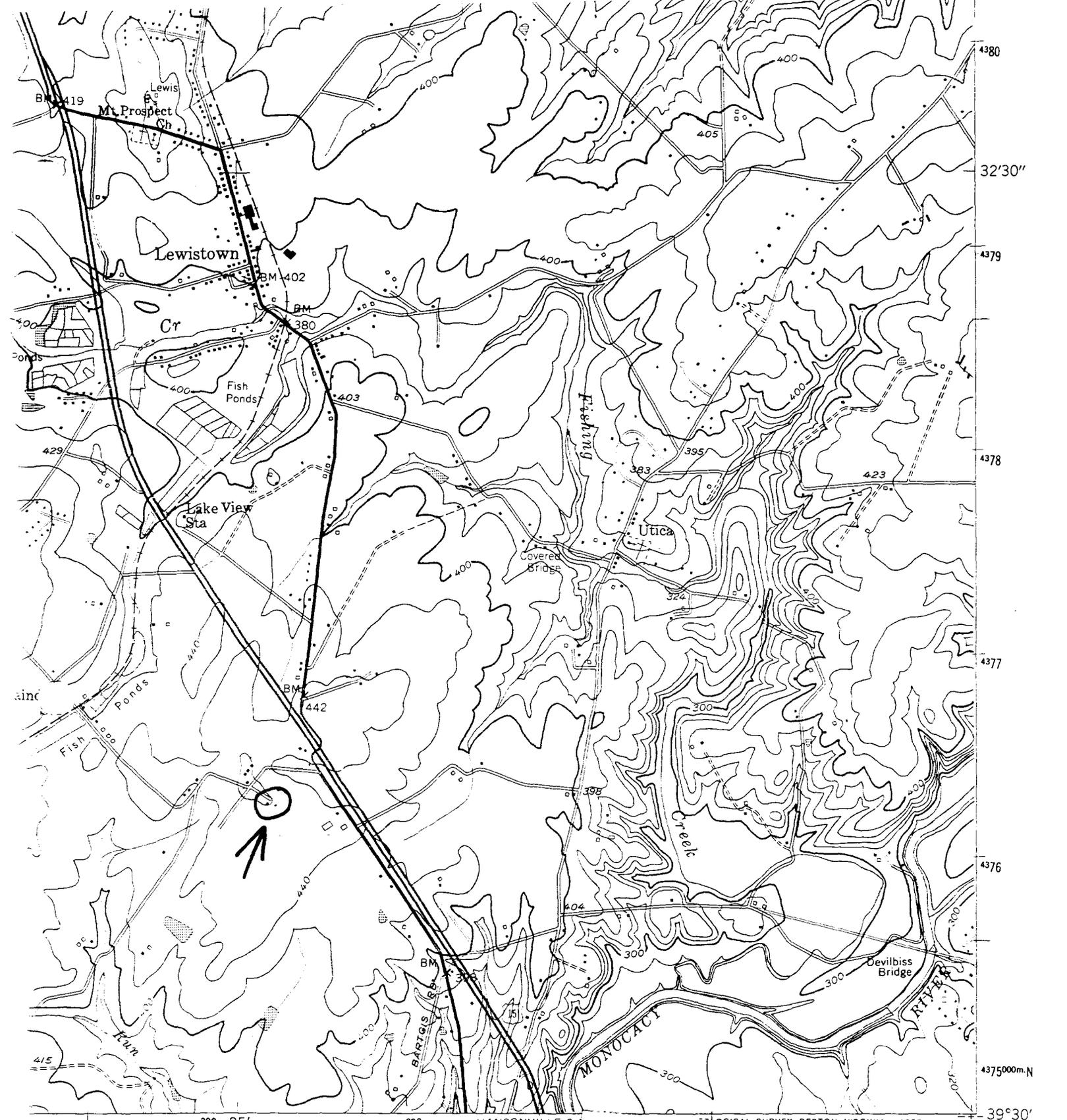
SERVICE ROAD

SOUTH TO FREDERICK & BM

ROUTE 15

NORTH TO THULMANT

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Jacob Rice Farmstead
Frederick County Site
Plan prepared by
Malcolm I. Nagle



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Jacob Rice Farmstead
Frederick County
USGS Catoclin Furnace, Md.
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WALKERSVILLE
5562 IV NE



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East elevation

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Southwest corner view

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Smokehouse, east elevation

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Smoker house and hog barn, north elevation

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