

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes   
no

Property Name: William H. Merrill Farm Inventory Number: G-I-C-147  
 Address: 1517 Pea Ridge Road Historic district: yes  no  
 City: Avilton Zip Code: 21539 County: Garrett  
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Barton  
 Property Owner: Peter G. Brown Tax Account ID Number: 002069  
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 0011 Tax Map Number: 0037  
 Project: Fourmile Ridge Wind Energy Project Agency: USACE  
 Agency Prepared By: GAI Consultants, Inc.  
 Preparer's Name: Tegan Baiocchi Date Prepared: 12/3/2013  
 Documentation is presented in: MIHP form  
 Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended  Eligibility not recommended   
 Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G  
*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*  
 Name of the District/Property: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligible: yes Listed: yes  
 Site visit by MHT Staff yes  no Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

**Physical Description**

The William H. Merrill Farm is located in a hilly, semi-wooded rural area on the east side of Pea Ridge Road, approximately one mile south of Lancaster Hill Road in Garrett County. The resource consists of a circa-1880 dwelling and springhouse, and a circa 1880 bank barn and vehicle/equipment shed. The dwelling and spring house are sheltered in partially wooded area off of a long private gravel drive. The barn and vehicle equipment shed are located to the north of the dwelling and springhouse, adjacent to the private drive.

**Dwelling (Circa 1880)**

The William H. Merrill Farmhouse is a two-story, four-bay wood-frame dwelling constructed circa 1880. The frame vernacular house consists of a main block with a rear ell addition. The main block is constructed upon a stone foundation, while the rear ell rests on concrete block. The dwelling is currently clad in vinyl siding and is capped with a side gable roof covered with corrugated metal. The façade features a one-story full-width porch covered with a corrugated metal shed roof supported by square wood posts. A two-story gable-roofed ell addition is appended to the rear elevation. A one-story full-width shed roof porch is appended to the east elevation of the rear ell addition, and a partially-enclosed one-story shed roof porch is appended to the west elevation of the

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 Reviewer, National Register Program Date

rear ell addition. An interior brick chimney pierces the roof of the ell addition at the ridgeline. Fenestration includes six-over-six double-hung vinyl sash replacement windows, as well as a tripartite window unit and multi-pane fixed window on the south elevation of the ell addition. An exterior basement entrance is located on the east elevation of the main block.

The William H. Merrill Farmstead has undergone heavy alteration since it was originally surveyed in 1982. The original hipped roof porch has been replaced with a shed roof porch, and the original wood windows have been replaced with modern vinyl windows, and some window openings have been altered. Several new windows have been added to the east elevation of the main block as well as to the ell addition. The façade also once featured two central batten doors and a slightly off-centered interior brick chimney at the ridgeline, suggesting vernacular German building traditions. The chimney and one of the doors has since been removed. It also appears that the rear ell has been extended.

Springhouse (Circa 1880)

Immediately to the southwest of the dwelling stands a one-and-a-half-story springhouse constructed circa 1880 upon a raised stone foundation. It appears that the stone foundation has recently been treated with stone veneer. The upper portion of the springhouse is clad in vinyl siding and capped by a side gable roof covered with corrugated metal. An entrance is located in the lower level of the north elevation. Fenestration includes six-paned fixed wood sash windows on the north elevation, and a six-over-six double-hung wood sash window on the east elevation.

Barn (Circa 1880)

The barn is located to the north of the main dwelling and is situated adjacent to a private gravel drive that extends off of Pea Ridge Road. The barn is built into a slight rise, and consists of a large wood frame structure that rests on a stone foundation, is clad in vertical plank siding, and is capped by a side gable roof covered in standing seam metal. A sliding bay door on the ground level of the west elevation allows access to animal shelter. Open shed roof extensions have been appended to the rear of the barn.

Vehicle/Equipment Shed (Circa 1940)

The vehicle/equipment shed is located to the north of the main dwelling and just to the west of the barn, adjacent to the private drive extending off Pea Ridge Road. This rectangular wood-frame structure rests on a stone foundation, is clad in vertical plank siding and is capped by a side gable roof covered in corrugated metal.

History and Significance

The first Europeans began to arrive in the area around Avilton, Maryland in the mid-eighteenth century. There is little record of those who settled in the area first, as they did not file patents or commission surveys, but built cabins and cleared small portions of land. However, after the Revolutionary War development in the area greatly expanded. The forests that covered the mountains were slowly but surely cleared. Pine forests largely made up the land between Savage and Negro Mountains, with a few other varieties like spruce and hemlock intermixed (Brown 1896:54). These large wood-covered miles attracted many hunters to the area, including Meshach Browning, who wrote a book about the many years he spent living as a pioneer in the area around Avilton and directly west. Hunters like Browning who populated the area used the National Road, which was constructed through the area in the early nineteenth century, to get their hides and meats back to eastern markets (Browning 1942:195). While the hunters settled early, it was not long before additional lots were readied for settlement. Many of the earliest lots in the area were surveyed for veterans of the Revolutionary War. Some of these lots went to men like Thomas Johnson, who eventually became Governor of Maryland. There were also land speculators who made their mark on the area, including men like Brooke Beall and William Deakins (Rowland 2009:39).

The earliest land records of the area typically consist of people with large tracts of land selling those tracts to other speculators.

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But, starting in the mid-1800s that began to change, as smaller portions of land were sold off, and more and more farms were raised in the valleys between the mountains. As land was freshly cleared, many farmers from east of the Appalachians began to plant tobacco. However, they learned quickly that the soil was made too poor by tobacco farming in this area (Brown 1896:300). The settlement that would later become Avilton was originally known as "The McKenzie Settlement" for the many numbers of Scottish immigrants, particularly McKenzies, who settled there. The early farmers of this area grew primarily wheat, rye, oats and potatoes. A partial listing of the founding families of this area was included in Garrett County: A History of Maryland's Tableland and includes: Garlitz, Blocher, Wilhelm, Broadwater, Miller, Crowe and Merrill among others. By 1885, the area was known as Avilton, and a post office was opened under that name (Schlosnagle 1978:65).

In the second half of the nineteenth century, railroads made their way through Garrett County, connecting the area like never before. As the railroads arrived, the many pine forests that surrounded area farms were looked at with a new sense of their value. While they had been used as a source of building materials for years, the forests were now logged and the timber was shipped to larger markets on the railroad. On Savage Mountain, it was the Juniata Lumber Company that took advantage of the fine timber of the area (Brown 1896:264,275). Increasingly, the agricultural area was dotted throughout by people who worked in the industry. As Jacob Brown described the area "she grew from a county of crude backwoods settlements and small self-sufficient farms to a county of coal towns, timber towns, resort towns, trade towns, and increasingly fertile fields and meadows (Brown 1896:304)." While the area was still largely rural, times were slowly changing.

By the first half of the twentieth century, more and more people were working both on their farms and in various industries. By the 1940 Census, many household heads were listed as working in mining or timbering, while it is also indicated that many continued to pursue agriculture (Ancestry.com). While they produced goods for local markets, the demands of an increasingly connected society drew more and more residents off their farms. The effects of the great depression were also seen in the 1940 Census of the area, with many people listed as road builders or general laborers who were employed in emergency government work (Ancestry.com). After World War II, some farms began to not be used for agriculture. This has led to the decline of some of the properties, and the destruction of others. Many families, descendants of the original settlers at McKenzie Settlement, continue to use the fields around Avilton to raise cows and some grains, continuing some of the traditions that were started so many years ago.

The property encompassing G-I-C-147 is currently owned by Peter G. Brown and consists of a parcel containing 191.27 acres (Garrett County Deeds 747:214). This land is comprised of six separate parcels that have been combined and parceled off over the years. It is not clear which parcel is associated with the land that now contains the buildings comprising the William H. Merrill Farm. The oldest extant building appears to be the circa-1880 main dwelling, and it was around this time that William H. Merrill was acquiring parcels of property. It is likely that William H. Merrill built the main dwelling and springhouse before conveying his lands to David Merrill.

The first record of land ownership recovered for this property consisted of a transaction of 115 acres sold to William Robeson by Alexander C. Goode and his wife Mary E. F. Swan on August 7, 1857 (Allegany County Deeds 16:271). This transaction consisted of a 1/3 undivided interest of Lot 5 in tract named "Walnut Hills". William Robeson also owned the property to the north where G-I-A-145 is located. On October 30, 1858, a little more than a year after purchasing the 115 acres, William Robeson received another 1/3 undivided interest in Lot 5 and 6 of the Walnut Hills tract from General John Swan (Allegany County Deeds 17:282). These parcels encompassed the area where the resources comprising G-I-C-147 would eventually be located.

William Robeson, and his wife Rhoda P. Robeson sold the 57 acres on March 9, 1860 to the wife and children of the late John Merrill, who died January 22, 1859, including Eleanor Merrill, William H. Merrill, Elias Merrill, Ellen Merrill, Nathaniel Merrill, David Merrill, Elizabeth Merrill, Andrew Merrill, Mary C. Merrill, and Jacob F. Merrill (Allegany County Deeds 19:100; United States Census Bureau 1850; 1860). As the property is referred to in several deeds as the John Merrill Farm, it is likely that John

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Merrill and his family lived on and farmed the property prior to 1860. According to the 1860 United States Census, Eleanor Merrill, age 44, lived on the property with her eight children (United States Census Bureau 1860). Eleanor Merrill sold her interest in the property to her son William H. Merrill on Jun 24, 1869 (Allegany County Deed Book 29:571). Eleanor and several of her other children continued to live on the property with William Merrill, including David, Andrew, Elizabeth, and Mary in 1870, and David, Elizabeth, Andrew, and Andrew's wife and son in 1880 (United States Census Bureau 1870; 1880). William H. Merrill also purchased several of his siblings' interests in the property, including Nathaniel Merrill's in 1883, and Elias Merrill's and Mary Merrill Metts's in 1884 (Garrett County Deed Book 7:391; 9:298). Eleanor Merrill died in 1888 (Gravestone, Merrill Cemetery, Avilton, Garrett County, Maryland). Given the estimated date of constructed for the extant dwelling, it is likely that the William H. Merrill house was constructed by William H. Merrill and his brothers during this time.

William H. Merrill continued to own and reside on the property after his mother's death. On April 13, 1900, William Merrill conveyed the 57-acre property to his brother David M. Merrill and his wife, Mary, but reserving the house and lot for himself for the remainder of his life (Garrett County Deed Book 38:309). William H. Merrill died between 1900 and 1910, and as the exception reserving the house and lot was not included in any other subsequent deed, it is assumed that the reserved portion of the property passed into David M. Merrill's ownership after William H. Merrill's death. In 1906, David M. Merrill purchased two shares of interest in the property from his brother Andrew J. Merrill (Garrett County Deed Book 54:185). He purchased the final one-ninth interest in the property from his brother Charles Henry Merrill in 1912 (Garrett County Deed Book 62:464). The 1910 United States Census reveals that David M. Merrill was a 53-year-old farm operator who resided on the property with his wife, Mary, age 51, and his children Jesse C., age 21; Harriett, age 19; and Margaret, age 17 (United States Census Bureau 1900). David M. Merrill and his wife Mary owned and farmed the property until June 19, 1920, when they conveyed the property to their son Jesse C. Merrill (Garrett County Deed Book 77:553).

Jesse C. Merrill was born on July 15, 1888 in Garrett County to David and Mary Merrill, likely in the extant dwelling. The 1920 United States Federal Census indicates that Jesse C. Merrill was 30 years old and working as a farmer. Living in the household with him were his wife, Minnie, age 27, and his children: David, age 8, Mary, age 4, William H., age 3, and Mabel, age 1. Jesse's parents David M. and Mary E. Merrill also resided in the household (United States Census Bureau 1920). David M. Merrill died in 1928, and Mary E. Merrill died in 1937 (Find a Grave 2011a; 2011b). Jesse C. and Minnie S. Merrill continued to own and farm the property until February 6, 1950, when they conveyed it to their son William H. Merrill and his wife Bernice (Garrett County Deed Book 197:450; United States Census Bureau 1930; 1940). William H. Merrill and Bernice L. Merrill owned the property until October 15, 1982, when they sold the property to Peter G. Brown and Judith A. Sorum (Garrett County Deed Book 429:805). Peter G. Brown married Judith A. Sorum, and on August 18, 1998 full title to the property was transferred to Peter G. Brown, who is the current property owner.

**NRHP Evaluation**

No information could be located that connects the William H. Merrill Farm to significant events or themes in local, state, or national history. The property is associated with agricultural activities and served as a family farm from the mid-to late nineteenth century until the mid- to late-twentieth century, evidenced by the presence of the primary dwelling, springhouse, bank barn, and vehicle/equipment shed. However, the extant structures do not strongly present a cohesive reflection of the agricultural practices that took place on the property, largely due to the absence of agricultural structures and outbuildings contemporary with the construction of the primary dwelling. Furthermore, the domestic buildings lack integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and feeling due to several non-historic alterations. Therefore, this resource is recommended not eligible for NRHP listing under Criterion A. The extant structures on the property are associated with the Merrill Family, particularly with John Merrill and his heirs William, Nathaniel and later David and Jesse. Little information exists on the Merrill Family of Garrett or Allegany Counties, and there is no evidence to suggest that any individuals associated with the property were significant in local, state, or national

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history. Therefore, this resource is recommended not eligible for NRHP listing under Criterion B. The primary dwelling and springhouse have undergone numerous non-historic alterations such as replacement vinyl siding, replacement vinyl windows, alterations to original window openings and the addition of a modern porch on the primary dwelling and no longer retain integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and feeling, and no longer convey their historical architectural character. The associated agricultural outbuildings represent common and unexceptional examples of rural agricultural buildings in the region. Therefore, the resource is recommended not eligible under Criterion C. Eligibility under Criterion D cannot be determined as the resource has not undergone archaeological testing.

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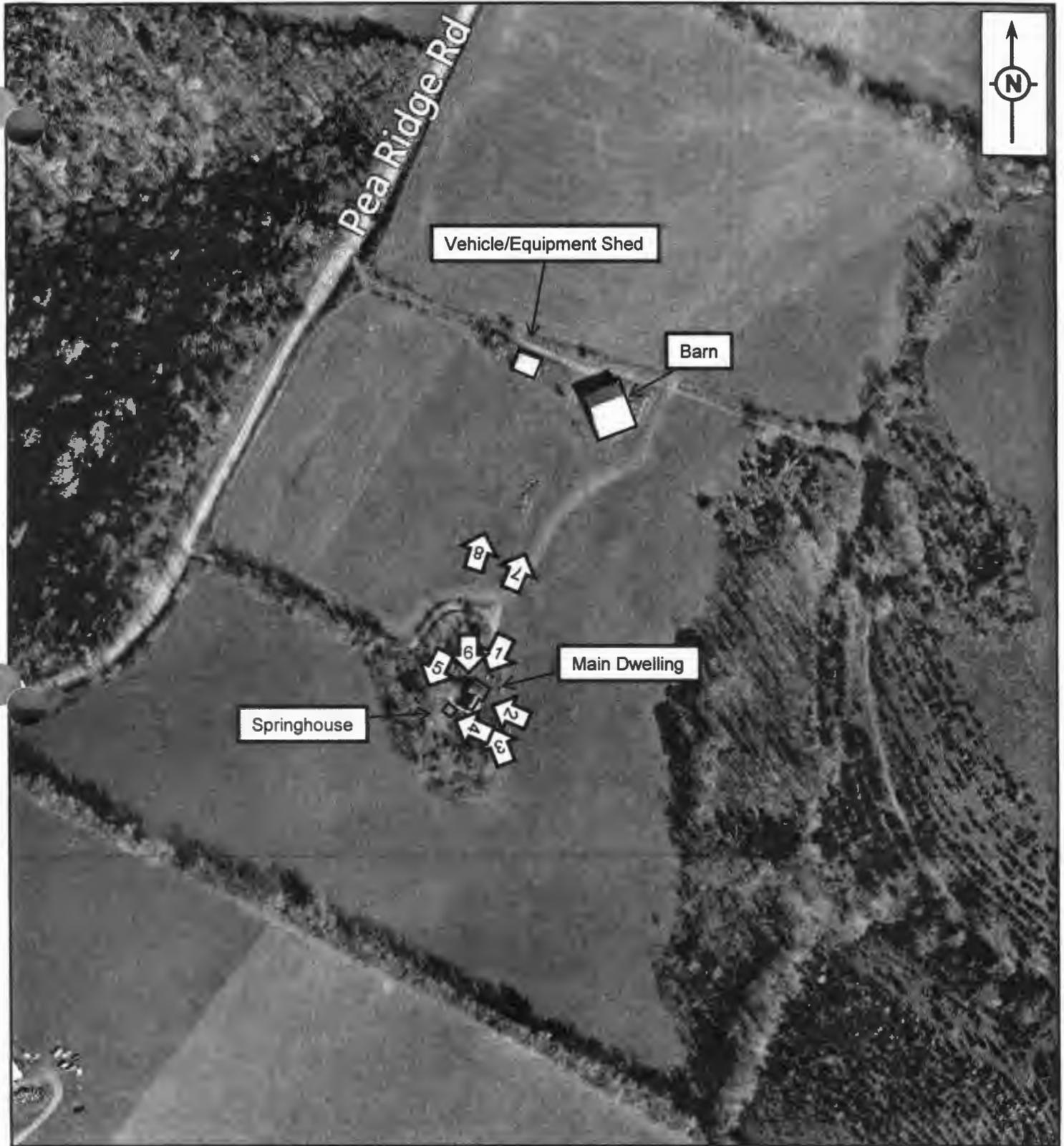
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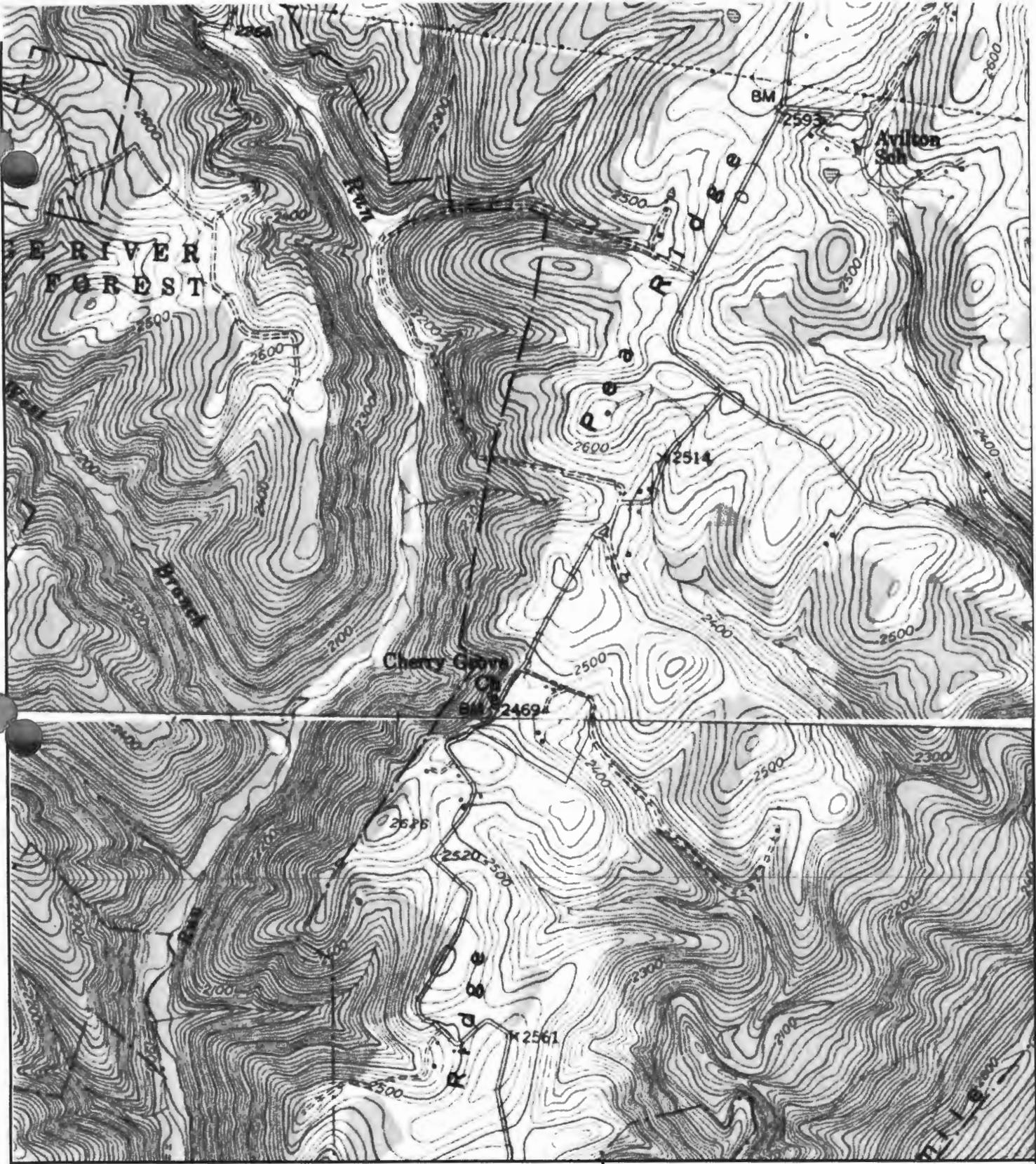


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Resource Sketch Maps

William H. Merrill Farm  
1517 Pea Ridge Road  
Avilton, Garrett County



SOURCE: USGS 7.5 MINUTE AVILTON QUADRANGLE MAP (1947, PHOTOREVISED 1981), USGS 7.5 MINUTE BARTON QUADRANGLE MAP (1947, PHOTOREVISED 1981).

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Previously Recorded Resources within Indirect APE – Fourmile Wind Energy Project

Garrett County, Maryland

Epson Premium Glossy Paper/Epson UltraChrome pigmented inks

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_01 – Main dwelling, north elevation, facing south

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_02 – Main dwelling, east elevation, facing west

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_03 – Main dwelling, south and east elevations, facing north

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_04 – Springhouse, facing west

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_05 – Springhouse, facing south

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_06 – Main dwelling, west and north elevations, facing southeast

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_07 – Barn, facing northeast

G-I-C-0147\_2013-08-20\_08 – Vehicle shed, facing northwest



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William H. Merrill Farm

Garrett County, Maryland

Liz Williams

B-20-13

MD SHPD

Main dwelling, north elevation, facing south

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William H. Merrill farm  
Garrett, County, Maryland

Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD SHPD

Main dwelling, east elevation, facing west

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William H. Merrill Farm  
Garrett, County, Maryland  
Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD SHPO

Main dwelling, south and east elevations, facing north

3/8



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William H. Merrill Farm  
Garrett County, Maryland  
Liz Williams  
8-20-13  
MD SHPD  
Springhouse, facing west  
4/8



G-1-C-147  
William H. Merrill Farm  
Garrett County, Maryland

Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD STPD

Springhouse, facing south

5/8



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William H. Merrill Farm  
Garrett, County, Maryland

Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD SHPO

Main dwelling, west and north elevations, facing southeast

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William H. Merrill Farm  
Garrett County, Maryland

Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD SHPO

Barn, facing northeast

7/8



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William H. Merrill Farm

Garrett County, Maryland

Liz Williams

8-20-13

MD SHPO

Vehicle shed, facing northwest

8/8

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William H. Merrill Farm  
Avilton  
Private

late 19th century

The William H. Merrill farm is a two story, four bay by one bay gable roof, frame structure with an ell. The facade has two central symmetrically placed batten door entrances. The house rests on a flat stone foundation. Asbestos shingles cover the house except on the first story facade where the original weather-board siding is exposed.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

William H. Merrill Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Pea Ridge Rd., east side, 1½ miles south of Avilton-Lonaconing Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Avilton

→ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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	<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"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: <i>vacant</i>

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

None

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This frame house is situated in a hilly, semi-wooded area off Pea Ridge Road approximately one mile south of the intersection with Lancaster Hill Road. The house faces north. It is a two story, four bay by one bay gable roof structure with an ell. A shed addition of which half is a porch, and the other half a one bay enclosure, runs along the east elevation to the main block. A hipped roof porch, supported by square wooden posts extends the length of the facade. the facade has two central symmetrically placed batten door entrances. Two additional entrances appear at the rear porch on the east and south elevations.

The house has a central brick chimney. Six over six sash windows light the house. The windows are framed with plain flat boards. The house rests on a flat stone foundation. Asbestos shingles cover the house except on the first story facade where the original weatherboard siding is exposed.

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block and rear kitchen wing, were constructed in Garrett County from the late nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Valerie Cesna, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Maryland Bureau of Mines

DATE

May 1982

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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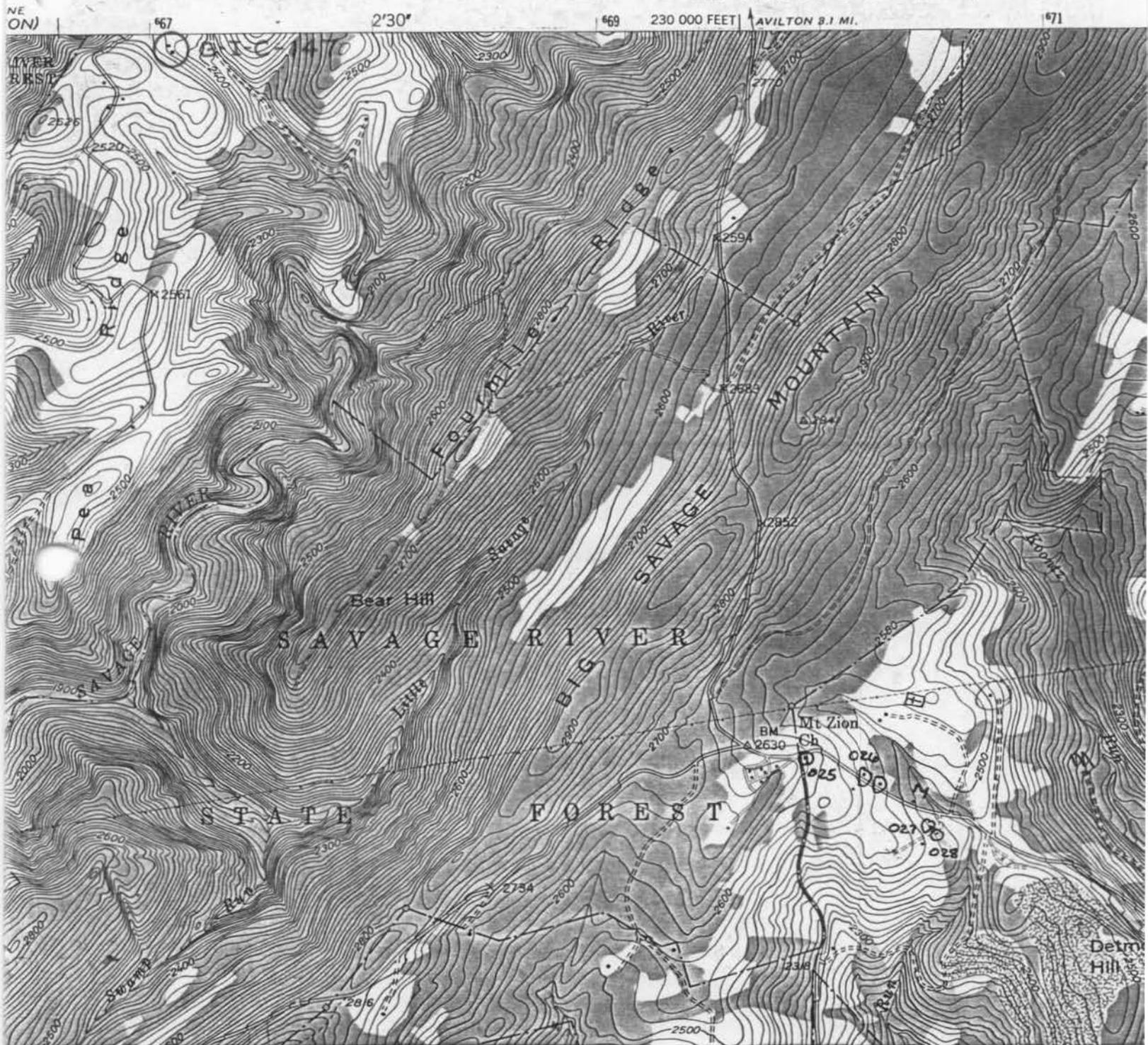
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BARTON QUADRANGLE  
MARYLAND

7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPH)



Barton, MD  
USGS 7.5 Minute Series  
Scale - 1:24,000  
1947; photorevised 1974

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William H. Merrill Farm  
Pea Ridge Road, east side,  
1½ miles south of Avilton-Lonaconing Rd.



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Rear: S & E elevations



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Facade: N & W elevations