

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

Property/District Name: Hardesty House Survey Number: G-IV-A-221

Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project Agency: MSHA

Site visit by MHT Staff:  No  Yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended  Eligibility **not** recommended

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

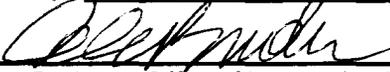
Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

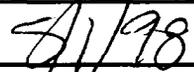
Historical documentation does not indicate that this resource is associated with Criterion A, broad patterns of history or a significant event or Criterion B, an important person who contributed to local or state history. The property does not embody distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction nor does it represent the work of a master or possess high artistic value; therefore, Criterion C, architecture, does not apply. Lastly, the property is unlikely to yield information which contributes to our understanding of human history.

Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and Determination of Eligibility Report

(KCI/MSHA 1997)

Prepared by: Helen P. Ross, KCI Technologies, Inc.

  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

  
Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable

  
Reviewer, NR program

  
Date

The Hardesty House  
G-IV-A-221  
5306 Hutton Road  
Oakland vicinity  
1889  
Private

This two story frame, side gable roofed dwelling is currently known as the Hardesty House and is located at 5306 Hutton Road. Facing west onto the original John Mehan Road, the house dates to 1889. Situated amidst pine trees, the property is bounded by a treeline to the north and east, a gravel drive and ascending hill side to the south, and a ditch line to the west. The house is hidden directly from Hutton Road, accessed only by a long gravel drive which leads from the south.

According to the current owners, the Hardesty House was built in 1889. Facing west onto the original road to Crellin and historically known as the John Mehan Road, the property helps to document Garrett County agricultural trends during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The house is typical of late nineteenth century vernacular architecture.



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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent     deteriorated  
 good         ruins  
 fair          altered

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

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The rectangular, single pile, main block has a three bay wide facade and an interior corbeled brick chimney stack. Contemporary to the house and located at the rear or east wall is a one story, stone and concrete block, gable roofed building. Believed to function as a cold room, the structure was joined to the original rear wall sometime during the mid 1950's when the two story, frame, single bay, wall was erected. Appended to the 1950's addition is a single story, frame, shed roofed enclosed porch. Piercing the asphalt shingle covered roof is a metal flue. The main block rests upon an uncoursed rubble stone foundation and except for the stone cold room, the exterior walls are covered with asbestos shingle siding.

All of the windows are modern replacements which consist of single sash double hung sashes with aluminum trim. The single leaf front door is comprised of fifteen glass panes and bordered by wood mullions. The three bay wide, single story, frame front porch has a lattice-covered skirting, four square posts and a tripartite frame wall.

The outbuildings share similar features such as single storyed and gable roofed. The garage is constructed with formed concrete blocks in a rusticated pattern. It has a horizontal wood sided facade gable and a modern horizontal rolling garage door. Situated to the northeast is a frame chicken house. Obscured from the house and built into the hillside is an icehouse. Atop the hill, at the rear of the property is a modern metal covered machinery shed.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
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<b>Specific dates</b>	1889	<b>Builder/Architect</b>	Unknown
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Evaluation for:

National Register     Maryland Register     not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

According to the current owners, the Hardesty House was built in 1889. Facing west onto the original road to Crellin and historically known as the John Mehan Road, the property helps to document Garrett County agricultural trends during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The Hardesty House is associated with a period when successful farmers constructed new dwellings and farm outbuildings. The house is typical of late nineteenth century vernacular architecture.

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## HISTORIC CONTEXT:

### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:	Western Maryland
Chronological/Developmental Period(s):	Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
Historic Period Theme(s):	Architecture, Landscape Architecture & Community Planning
Resource Type:	
Category:	Building
Historic Environment:	Urban
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling
Known Design Source:	None

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of property 1 acre

Acreage surveyed 1 acre

Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WVA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 665 , Map 78, Grid 13

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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organization	KCI Technologies, Inc.	date	3-17-97
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city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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100 Community Place  
Crownsville, MD 21032  
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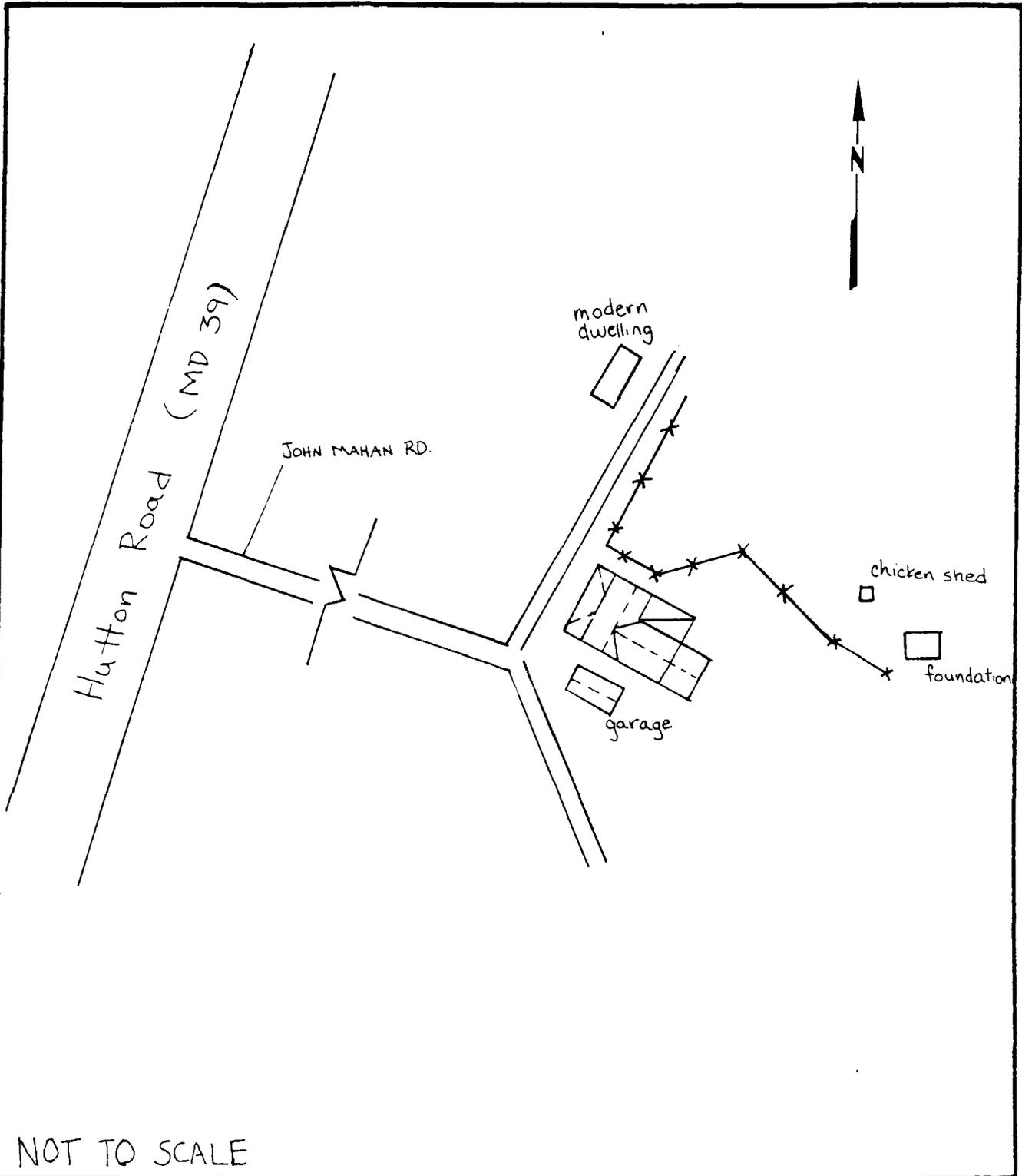
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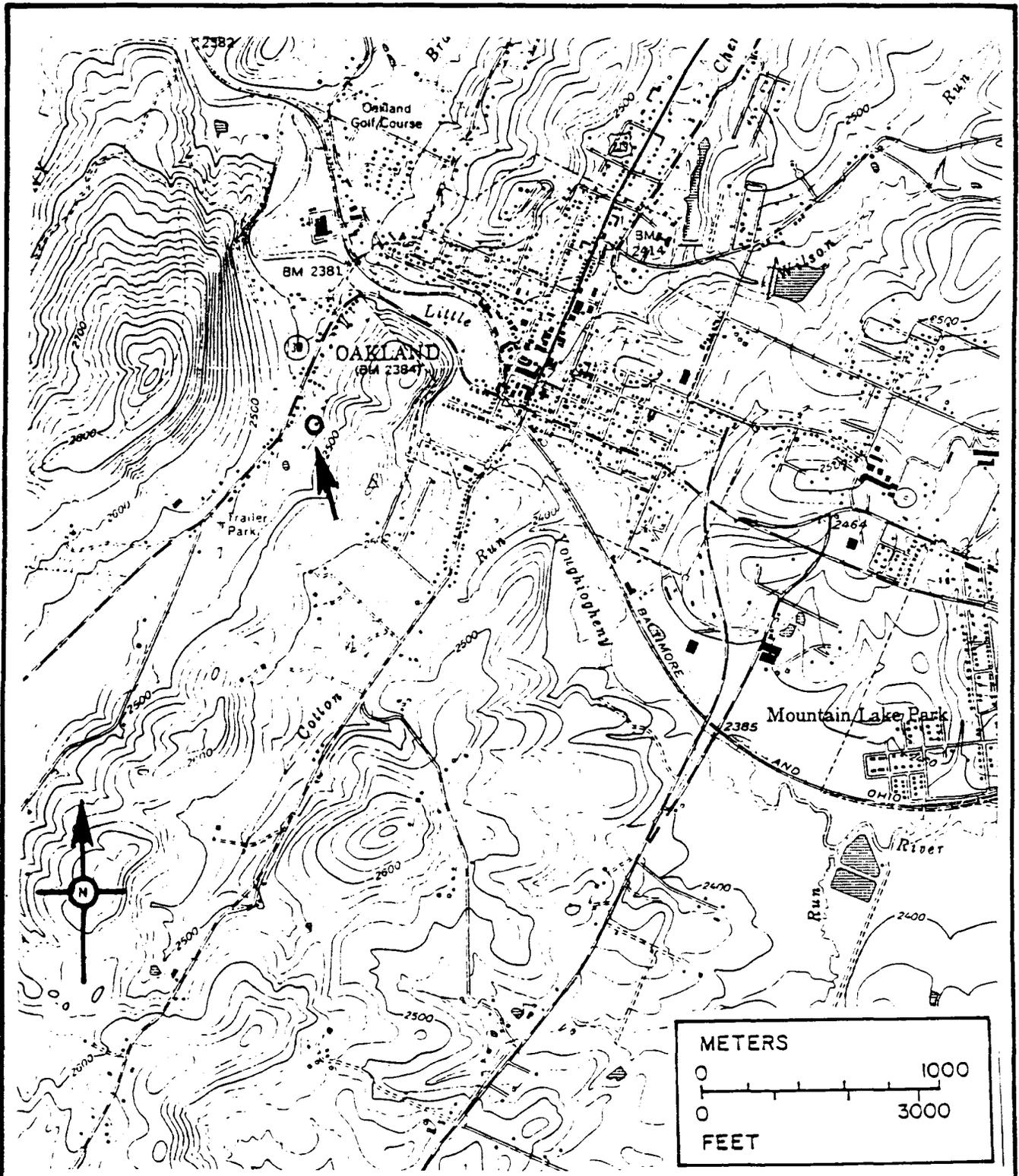


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**Resource Sketch Map**

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Kris Hardesty House  
Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County



Location Map

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Kris Hardesty House

Oakland Vicinity, Garrett County

Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle Map (USGS 1974)





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SW ELEVATION CHICKEN HOUSE  
LOOKING NE

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ELEVATION LOOKING W

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