

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

Property/District Name: Davey L and Vickie L. DeWitt House Survey Number: G-IV-A-253

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)

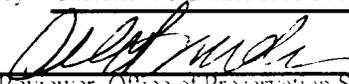
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Research has not identified any associations with the lives of persons significant to the Oakland area's past or with events that have contributed significantly to broad patterns of the area's historical development. The architecture does not represent a particularly distinctive type, period, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master, possess high artistic values, or represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction. This resource has not yet yielded and is not likely to yield significant information important in history or prehistory.

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

(KCI/MSHA 1997)

Prepared by: Gabrielle M. Lanier/KCI Technologies, Inc.


Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services


Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable


Reviewer, NR program

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Date

DeWitt House
G-IV-A-253
520 East Oakland Drive
Oakland vicinity
Circa 1900
Private

This is a two-story, four-by-two-bay, gable roofed frame T-plan dwelling with a shed-roofed open-sided front porch, three shed-roofed frame additions, and an attached one-car garage. It is built with weatherboarded and asbestos-clad walls, an asphalt-shingled gable roof, and an exterior brick chimney. Windows are mostly paired and single, one-over-one, double-hung wooden sash with wooden surrounds. A modern gable-roofed, gable-fronted, one-car garage is attached to the southeastern end of the additions; a small frame shed also stands on the lot. The house stands at the intersection of Oakland Drive and Oakhall Drive and faces Oakland Drive to the northeast. It is located on a flat open lot about one mile east-southeast of Oakland.

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other Davey L. and Vickie L. DeWitt House

2. Location

street & number 520 East Oakland Drive not for publication

city, town Oakland vicinity

county Garrett

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

name Davey L. and Vickie L. DeWitt

street & number 520 East Oakland Drive telephone 301-334-4923

city, town Oakland state and zip code MD 21550-1925

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Garrett County Courthouse tax map and parcel 78A-2-83

city, town Oakland liber and folio 447/427

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research report at MHT
 Other:

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count			
			Contributing	Noncontributing		
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/ culture	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress			
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown			
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use			
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:			

**Number of Contributing Resources
previously listed in the Inventory**

0

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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

The foundation of the building was not visible when the house was surveyed. The walls are clad in gray wooden weatherboards ornamented with light blue trim and wooden shutters. An asphalt-shingled gable roof tops the building. A single exterior brick chimney with a corbeled top rises on the easternmost gable. Triangular metal louvers near the gable peaks ventilate the attic.

Windows are a mixture of paired and single one-over-one, double-hung wooden sash finished with plain flat wooden surrounds and drip caps. Some two-over-two wooden sash is also present. There are two entrances on the front or northeastern elevation: one, which is sheltered by a small asphalt-shingled gable-roofed hood, leads into the northern corner of the front-facing gable. This entrance contains a paneled wooden multipaned half-glass door. A second wooden door with a three-light upper section. The rear entrance leads into the opposite elevation of one of the one-story additions, and contains a paneled wooden door. All door openings are finished with wooden surrounds.

The front porch consists of a wooden deck, a wooden balustrade and rail, four-by-four wooden porch posts, and an asphalt-shingled shed roof. The shed-roofed one-story rear leanto is sheathed in weatherboard to match the rest of the house and topped with an asphalt-shingled roof finished with exposed rafter feet; fixed six-light sash windows finished with wooden surrounds light the interior. A second one-story frame addition is topped with a curving, slightly concave, asphalt-shingled roof; this addition is clad in gray asbestos siding and pierced by paired one-light sash windows finished with flat wooden surrounds. A modern gable-roofed, gable-fronted one-car garage is attached to the southeastern end of this rear addition.

A one-story, gable-roofed, gable-fronted shed stands to the southeast. This building is clad in incised plywood siding and topped with an asphalt-shingled roof. A straight macadam driveway oriented perpendicular to Oakland Drive runs along the east side of the house and leads to the garage. The house lot is roughly square in shape, with a few shade trees planted near the house. The house is presently occupied and in good condition.

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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates Circa 1900 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

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).

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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 and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban / Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Dwelling

Known Design Source: None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 0.23 acres

Acreage surveyed 0.23 acres

Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WVA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 83, Map 78A, Grid 2

11. Form Prepared By

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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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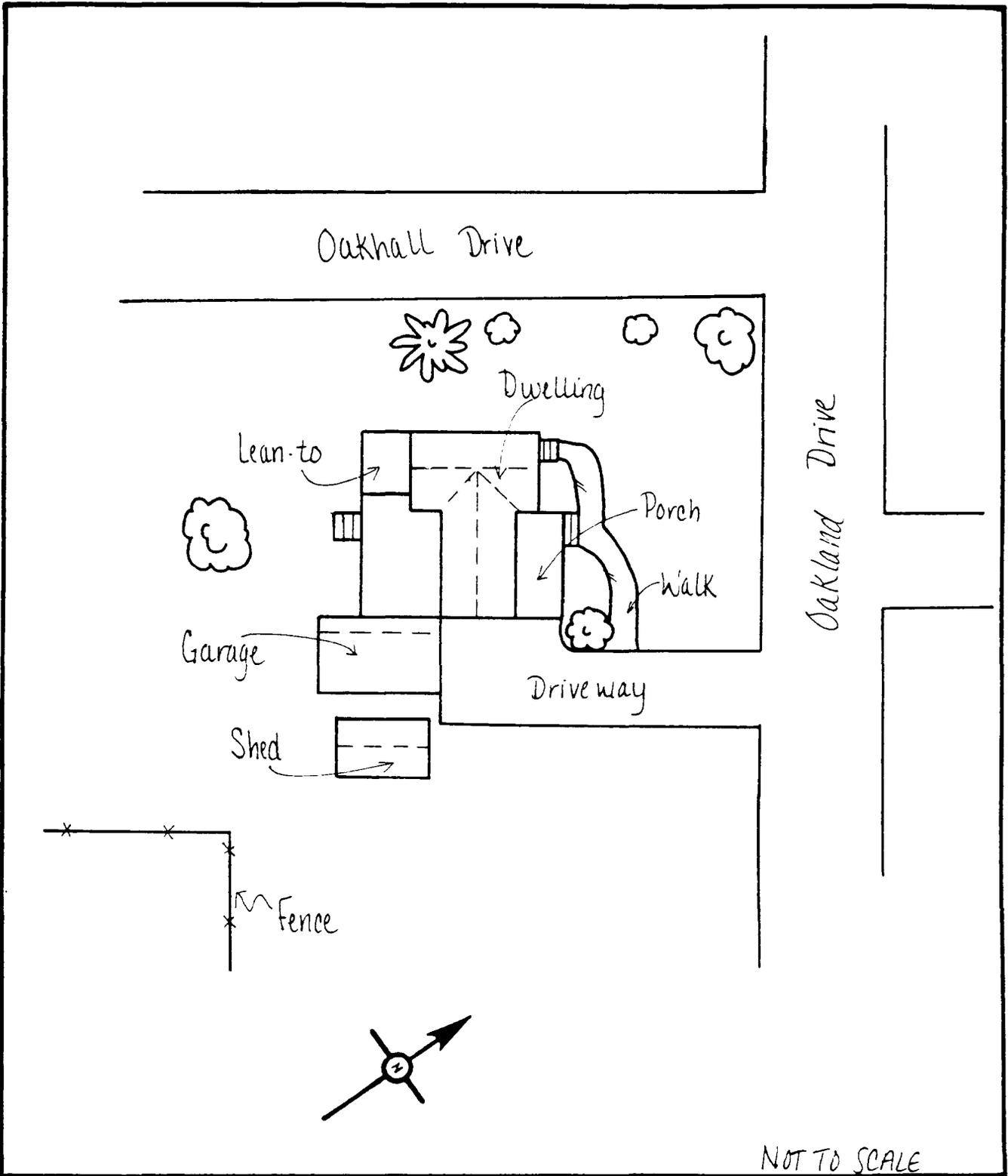
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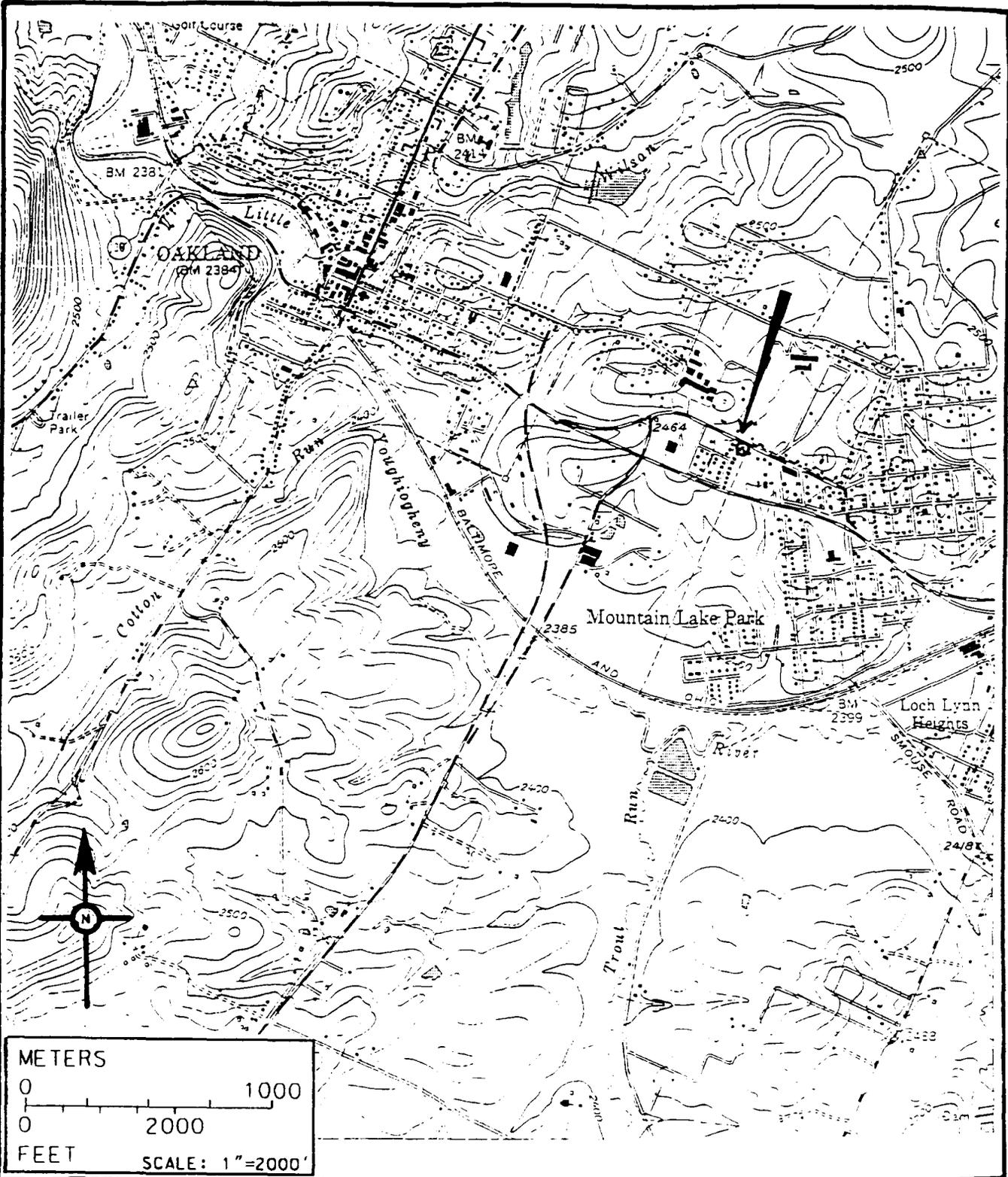
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Resource Sketch Map

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 Davey L. and Vickie L. Dewitt House
 Mt. Lake Park, Garrett County



Location Map

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Davey L. and Vickie L. Dewitt House
Mt. Lake Park, Garrett County

Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle Map (USGS 1974)





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