

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Ward Farm Inventory Number: G-V-A-047
Address: 24 Hamilton Way (US 50) Historic district: yes no
City: Oakland, MD Zip Code: 21550 County: Garrett
USGS Quadrangle(s): Table Rock
Property Owner: Wayne B. Hamilton, Jr. Tax Account ID Number: _____
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 18 Tax Map Number: 95
Project: US 50 over Youghiogheny River, Replacement of Small Structure Agency: MD SHA/FHWA
Agency Prepared By: MD SHA
Preparer's Name: Anne Bruder Date Prepared: 10/31/2014

Documentation is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

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 no Listed: yes no

Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

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

The Ward Farm was included in the MIHP in November 1981, and it is little changed from the initial description. The 644.72 Acre farm was originally surveyed in the 18th Century as part of a land grant called "Royal Charlotte." Following the American Revolution, the Maryland General Assembly provided Maryland soldiers who fought in the war land grants in Garrett County which were known as the Military Lots. The Ward Farm is part of Military Lot 2509.

A portion of the farm includes right-of-way for the Preston Railroad, which was the carrier for lumber and coal products produced by the Preston Lumber and Coal Company in Crellin, MD. Preston ran a saw mill in Crellin and shipped products to Baltimore on the railroad.

An historic but undated photo of the Ward Farm House shows that the house was a three bay, cross gable double pile structure with a full front shed roof porch. The porch roof was supported by turned posts and balusters in the railing. By 1981, the Ward Farm House porch had been enclosed and clad in formstone. Two of the porch openings had been converted to picture windows, and these alterations remain in place. In the second story, the center window has been covered over with vinyl siding.

The bank barn remains standing on the north side of US 50 facing south. Other outbuildings, including a tenant house remain

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MHT Comments:

Jim O'Connell
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

12/22/2014
Date

[Signature]
Reviewer, National Register Program

12/30/14
Date

standing south of the house.

Due to alterations to the Ward Farm House, the Ward Farm lacks integrity of design, workmanship, feeling and association. Research conducted did not identify events or persons of local, state or national significance and the Ward Farm is not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) under Criteria A (events) or B (persons). As a result of poor historic integrity, the Ward Farm is not eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C (architecture). NRHP Criterion D (information potential) was not included as part of this study.

The historic boundary of the Ward Farm will be confined to the same boundaries as shown on Garrett County Tax Map 95, Parcel 18 (2014), consisting of 644.72 Acres on either side of US 50.

Sources Consulted:

Hamilton, Wade Jr., Personal communication with SHA Architectural Historian Anne E. Bruder, September 23, 2014. Maryland State Archives, Land Records, Garrett County Deed Books Liber 661, Folio 115, and Liber 61 Folio 361.

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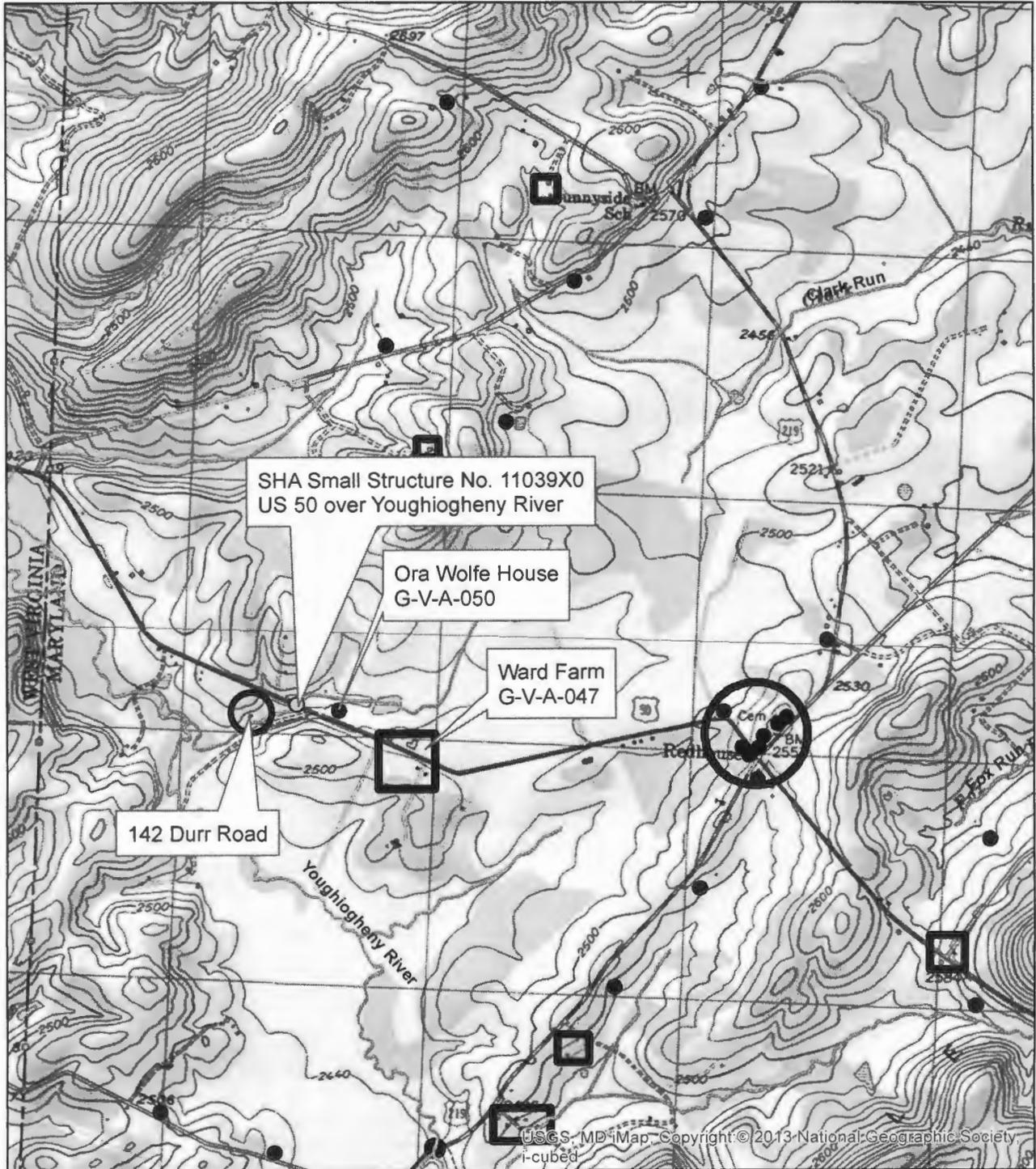
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Location Map

Table Rock USGS 7.5' Quadrangle

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G₂-U-A-047
WARD FARM
GARRETT CO MD

BRUNNEN

9/23/2014

MD SAFO

LOOKING SOUTH EAST AT NORTH
FACE DE Q WEST ELEVATION
OF HOUSE

1/2



HAMILTON
FARMS

E-V-A-047

WARD FARM - BA 20
GARRETT COND

RENDER

9/23/2014

IND SAFO

LOOKING NORTHWEST AT SOUTH
ELEVATION & EAST ELEVATION
OF SAFO

2/2

G-V-A-047
Ward Farm
REd House
Private

late 19th century

The Ward Farm is composed of a late nineteenth century house and bank barn and several modern structures. The house is a two-story, double pile, frame building with a gable roof and central cross gable. Its three bay, center door facade has a full length porch that was enclosed in 1957. To the rear is a 1½ story, gable-roofed wing that was added for use as a dairy in the 1930's. The barn is constructed of circular sawn timber that is mortise and tenoned together and is topped by a gable roof with a square cupola.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ward Farm

AND/OR COMMON

Wayne B. Hamilton Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 50 - .9 mile west of intersection with U.S. Route 219

CITY, TOWN

Redhouse

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Wayne B. Hamilton

Telephone #: (301) 334-2926

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 317

Folio #: 208

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

7 DESCRIPTION

G-V-A-047

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ward Farm is located on U.S. Route 50 approximately .9 mile west of its intersection with U.S. Route 219S. The house is situated on the south side of the road with its facade pointing northeast. The barn is located across the road directly north of the house.

The house is a late 19th century, two story, double pile, frame building with a gable roof and central cross gable. The facade is symmetrically arranged with three bays and a center door. All other elevations have irregular fenestration. To the rear is a 1½ story gable-roofed wing that was added in the 1930's. The facade porch was enclosed in 1957.

The house rests on a coursed, roughly squared stone foundation that provides a full basement with a bulkhead entrance on the southeast endwall. Weatherboard covers the exterior walls which are pierced by 2/2 sash windows with plain board surrounds and simple drip moldings. The house is currently being sided with a stone veneer. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles and has a box cornice with partial gable end returns. An interior stove chimney is located on the ridgeline and an interior end chimney stands at the northwest elevation.

The interior of the main block is a double pile, center stair plan. The fourteen tread, straight run oak stairway is located in the north front room against the partition wall. The second floor has a central hallway that runs from endwall to endwall and also has a back stairway on the southeast endwall.

The rear addition, which was built as a dairy, is a frame structure on a poured concrete foundation. It is divided into two rooms on the ground floor: one with a double door vehicle entrance, the other with a standard door flanked by 2/2 sash windows. Weatherboard covers the exterior walls, except for the endwall which has a covering of German siding. Two gabled dormers are positioned on opposite sides of the ridgeline. A brick stove chimney is centrally located on the east side of the ridgeline.

• The barn associated with the farm is a frame, gable-roofed bank barn. Its frame is constructed of circular sawn timber mortise and tenoned together. The floor joists are 10" x 10" wide and 40 feet long. Two joists are joined together for a total length of 80 feet. The foundation is composed of roughly squared stone topped by several courses of cinderblock. A square cupola with louvered panels is positioned at the center of the ridgeline. The exterior walls are covered with weatherboard siding.

• A frame, gable-roofed outbuilding is situated on the north side of U.S. Route 50, northeast of the barn. Northwest of this outbuilding is the supposed site of the Phillips log house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES late 19th century BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house and barn on the Ward Farm date from the late 19th century when Annie M. Ward and George W. Ward were the owners.¹ In later deeds the property is specifically referred to as the "Ward Farm".² The barn is thought to have been built by Peter Gortner, Jr., a local Amish farmer who is known to have built several barns in the neighborhood.³ (see site No. G-V-A-082 Peter Gortner Farm. This is the home of Peter Gortner, Sr.)

In 1900 the farm was bought by the Preston Lumber and Coal Company,⁴ a privately owned extractive industry that was based in Crellin, Maryland which is located about five miles north of this site.⁵ The company operated its own short line railroad, which had a branch line traversing this property. It is not known if the Preston Lumber and Coal Company actually timbered or mined this property, but they did make use of the barn.⁶ From 1905 to 1918 the farm was owned by Albert Lewis, president of the company.⁷

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- ¹ Garrett County Land Records, Liber 36, Folio 439, Garrett Co. Courthouse.
- ² Garrett County Land Records, Liber 317, Folio 208.
- ³ Interview with Wayne B. Hamilton, Jr., 29 August 1980
- ⁴ Garrett County Land Records, liber 38, folio 535.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY (CONTINUED ON SEPARATE SHEET)

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

STATE	COUNTY
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Valerie Cesna, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

November 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

(301) 269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory 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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Ward Farm

#9 Major Bibliographical References
(continuation sheet)

⁵Kline, Benjamin F. G., Jr. Tall Pines and Winding Rivers,
(privately published, 1976), p. 1-22.

⁶Interview with Wayne B. Hamilton, Jr.

⁷Garrett County Land Records, liber 50, folio 345.

The Old Log Cabin

I knew a house of ancient fame ,
 Near by a road side sat,
 Behind its walls of mud and log.
 Crept insect bug and bat.
 And oft the screams of woman
 Gave suspicion of a rat.
 Of its first inhabitants
 There is littlen known
 Except a story full of woe
 That the husband went for bread,
 The wife and baby froze.
 And not far away is found within a field
 A tombstone that upon its face
 A name and Ddate reveals.
 And yet within its cobweb halls
 There is a window sly
 And shame to say but here me thinks
 Is where they handed out the drinks
 And oft the traveler tramp and bum
 Were welcomed by the spiced run.
 For in stage coach days twas here,
 They stopped to eat and drink thier beer.
 For thay say that. thishas been
 In days gone by a "Way Side Inn.
 But now within these walls
 There stands a row of cattle stahls
 And where once heard the coins rattle
 Echoes now the low of cattle
 And where bright children trod the green,
 The hooped creatures oft are seen.
 But the march of man is great
 And some day you and I
 Across these lonely fields
 May see a trolley car go by
 And where lone oxen plowed the field
 May ride within an autimobile
 And now gve told you all that'sknown
 Of this old cabin dear and old
 And if any more is wanted
 They say this house is haunted

Written by Mrs F. W. (Susie) Chase

Subject:- The Old Log House on The Glade View Stock Farm
 Laiter known as the Hamilton Farm

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Ward Farm

Chain of Title

9 January 1967 liber 317, folio 208
Grantees: Wayne B. Hamilton, Claudia W. Hamilton, Wayne B. Hamilton, Jr.
Grantors: James F. Hamilton and Nella B. Hamilton
Consideration: \$10.00
Acreage: 760, more or less

"... all that tract of land situate, lying and being in Election District No. 8, Garrett County, Maryland, known and designated as the 'Ward Farm'...."

31 March 1958 liber 210, folio 123
Grantees: James F. Hamilton and Nella B. Hamilton
Grantor: Stephen R. Pagenhardt, Trustee
Consideration: \$1.00
Acreage: 760, more or less

31 March 1958 liber 210, folio 121
Grantee: Stephen R. Pagenhardt, Trustee
Grantors: James F. Hamilton and Nella B. Hamilton
Consideration: \$1.00
Acreage: 717

10 July 1925 liber 89, folio 474
Grantee: James F. Hamilton
Grantors: Harvey J. Speicher and Emma M. Speicher
Consideration: \$10,000.00
Acreage: 710 more or less

10 July 1918 liber 74, folio 223
Grantee: Harvey J. Speicher
Grantors: Albert Lewis and Lillian C. Lewis
Consideration: \$26,000.00
Acreage: 760, more or less

31 October 1905 liber 50, folio 345
Grantee: Albert Lewis
Grantor: Preston Lumber and Coal Company
Consideration: \$1.00

"... it is stipulated and agreed that the party of the first part hereby reserves from the operation of this deed, the right-of-way through said land, for the Preston Railroad Company's railroad, as said railroad is now located."

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31 July 1900

liber 38, folio 535

Grantee: Preston Lumber and Coal Company
 Grantors: Annie M. Ward and George W. Ward
 Consideration: \$8,000.00
 Acreage: 760, more or less

"All that tract of land, situate lying and being in Garrett County, in the State of Maryland, known and designated as 'The Old Goff Farm.'"

24 September 1888

liber 36, folio 439

Grantee: Annie M. Ward
 Grantor: Edward H. Sincell, Substituted Trustee
 Consideration: \$3,800
 Acreage: 760, more or less

30 September 1875

liber 2, folio 164

Grantee: William Ward
 Grantor: Elizabeth Phillips
 Consideration: \$4,000.00
 Acreage: 760

Allegany County Land Records:

26 January 1859

liber 17, folio 613

Grantee: Elizabeth Phillips
 Grantor: George Smith, executor of John Hoyer, deceased
 Consideration: \$2150
 Acreage: 760

22 October 1824

liber , folio 472

Grantees: Christianna Houser and children, Catherine Thomas and Children
 Grantor: Michael Houser

Half of a tract called "Glades" (50 acres) with a log dwelling, stone house, stable, etc. to Christianna Houser and children.
 Half of "Glades" to the north of Christianna Houser's tract to Susanah Buckey. Seventy-five acres to Catherine Thomas.

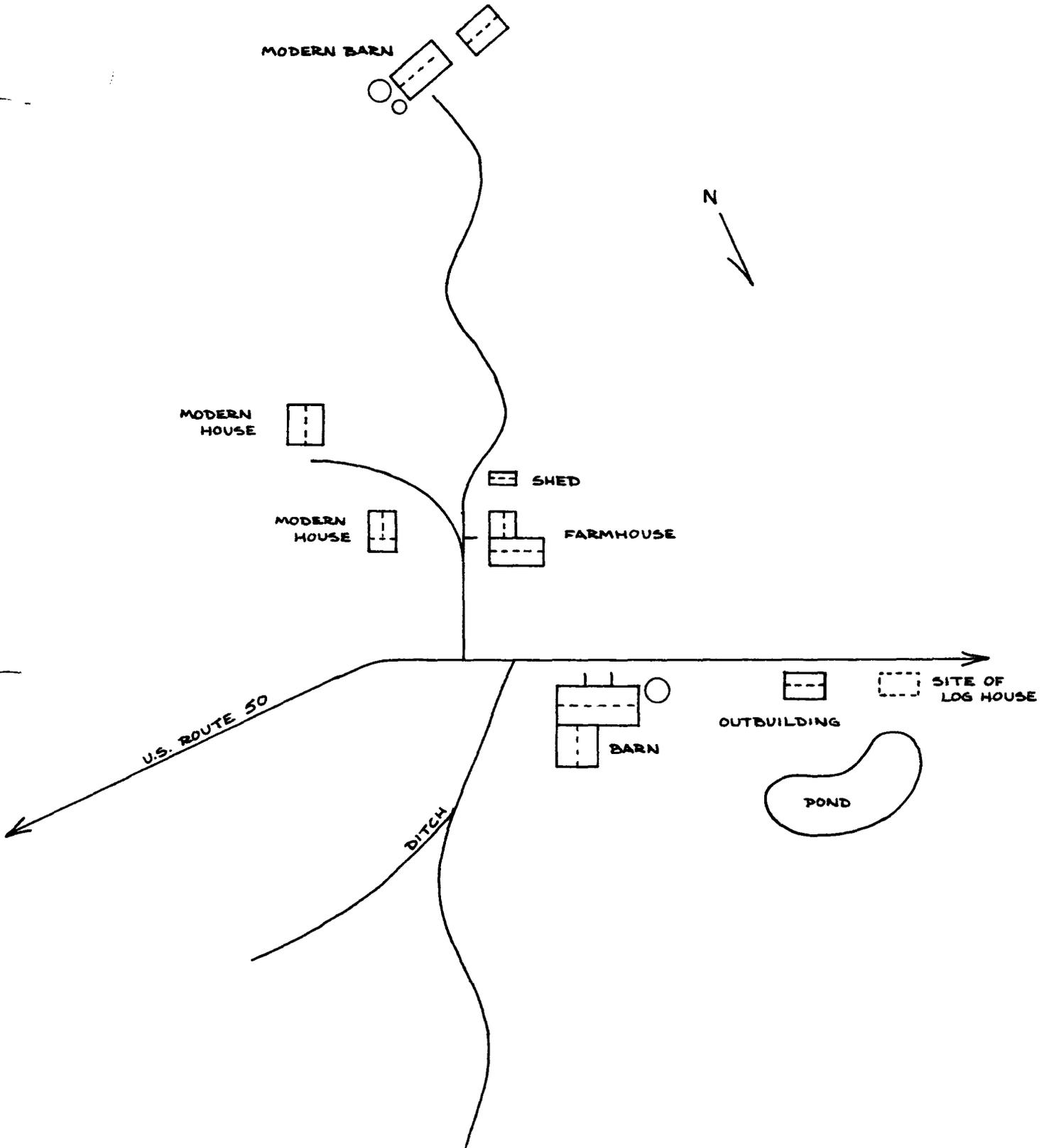
10 August 1810

liber F, folio 65

Grantee: Michael Houser
 Grantor: James Caricio Goff
 Consideration: \$520.00
 Acreage: 150

Military Lots Nos. 2513, 2514, 2519 near the headwaters of the Youghiogheny River and Big Glades.

"To have and to hold the aforesaid lands and premises."



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 - WARD FARM -
 GARRETT COUNTY
 RED HOUSE, MARYLAND
 SITE PLAN... NOT TO SCALE

V. CESNA - FEB '81

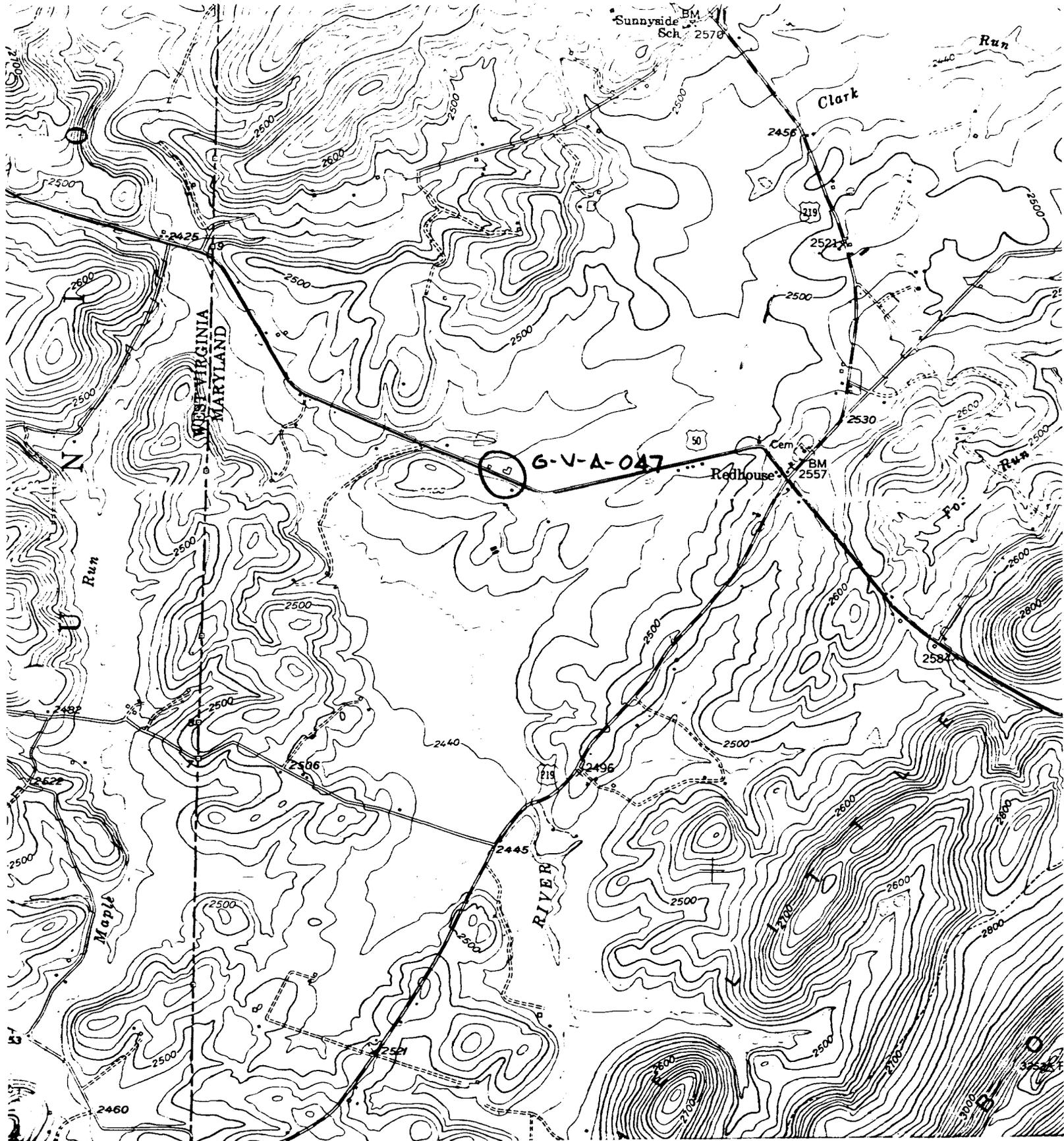


Table Rock MD-WV
 USGS 7.5 Minute Series
 Scale - 1:24,000
 1948; photorevised 1974

Site #: G-V-A-047
 Ward Farm
 US. Rt. 50, .9 mile west of
 intersection with US. Rt. 219



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Ward Farm

Garrett County, MD

Valerie Cesna 9-4-80

Photocopy; House



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Wayne B. Hamilton Farm (WARD)
Garrett County, MD
Donna Ware 8-29-80
Facade; NE elevation



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Wayne B. Hamilton Farm (WARD)

Garrett County, MD

Donna Ware 8-29-80

SE gable end and Rear wing



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Wayne B. Hamilton Farm(WARD)

Garrett County, MD

Donna Ware 8-29-80

Barn, SE gable end