

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: 2116-2118 Old Edgewood Road Inventory Number: HA-1676
Address: 2116 Old Edgewood Road City: Edgewood Zip Code: 21040
County: Harford USGS Topographic Map: Edgewood, MD
Owner: Juanita M. Keister Revocable Trust Is the property being evaluated a district? ___ yes
Tax Parcel Number: 122 Tax Map Number: 66 Tax Account ID Number: 1-051903
Project: Edgewood MARC Station Site Assessment Agency: Maryland Transit Administration
Site visit by MHT staff: no ___ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property is located within a historic district? ___ yes no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district ___ yes Eligible district ___ yes Name of District: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ___ yes ___ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ___ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ___ yes no

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

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Phase I Architectural Resources Survey-Edgewood MARC Station Site Assessment

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

This two-story, wood-framed, gabled front building is a nineteenth century store altered and enlarged in its conversion to an apartment building. Although historically significant as a nineteenth century commercial center and gathering place, alterations, including construction of major additions, have weakened its association with the time of its original construction. Because of loss of integrity, the building does not appear to meet any of the four National Register criteria.

Prepared by: Douglas C. McVarish

Date Prepared: 4/18/02

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

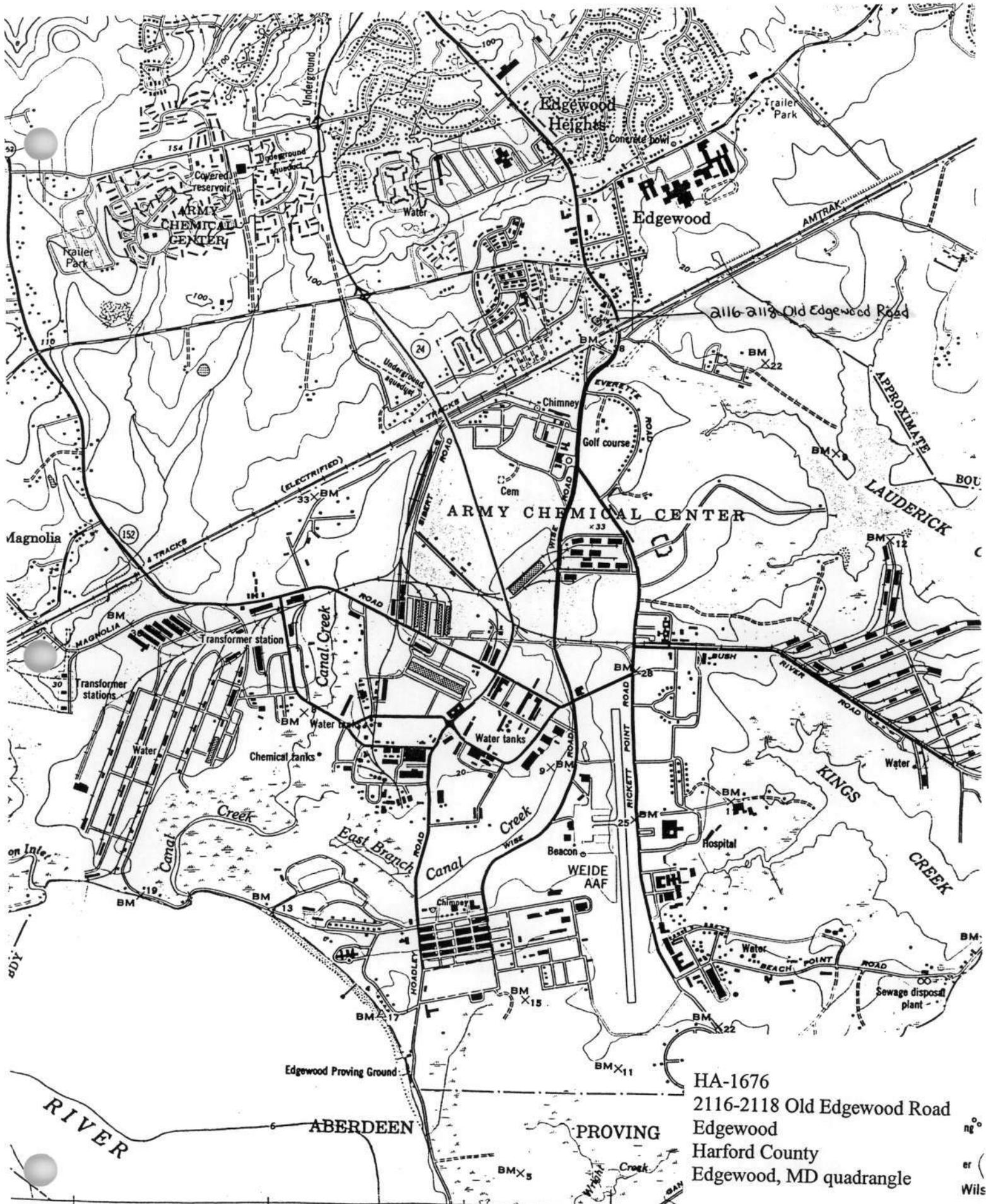
Eligibility recommended ___ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None

MHT Comments

Andrew Lewis ✓
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

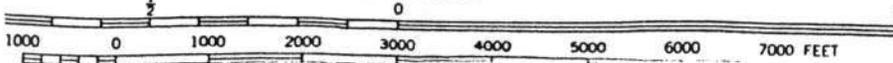
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 2116-2118 Old Edgewood Road
 Edgewood
 Harford County
 Edgewood, MD quadrangle

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. HA-1676

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 2118 Old Edgewood Road

2. Location

street & number 2118 Old Edgewood Road not for publication

city, town Edgewood vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county

3. Classification

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

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

name Juanita M. Keister

street & number 8 Carroll Avenue telephone no.: 410-676-4850

city, town Edgewood state and zip code Maryland 21040

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse liber 2020

street & number 40 South Main Street folio 23

city, town Bel Air state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. HA-1676

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved

date of move _____

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

In basic form, 2118 Old Edgewood Road is a rectangular, front-gabled, wood-framed, general store building, probably constructed during the second half of the nineteenth century. Subsequent enlargements have converted it to a combination commercial and apartment building.

The original main block of the building has the inset, canted, central entry bay typical of commercial buildings of its period. This inset bay contains double, wood-framed doors surmounted by a four-light transom. The entry is flanked by modern single light display windows. Shed-roofed, single story additions adjoin the side walls of the main block, and a hip-roofed porch extends the width of the facade of the main block and the facade of the east addition.

This porch has concrete block piers, concrete steps, and a crawlspace enclosed by wood lattice. The four bays of the porch are defined by chamfered wood posts. Dimensioned lumber balustrades enclose the sides of the porch. The porch has a boxed cornice, and its roof is sheathed in composition shingles. The second story walls of the main block are fenestrated with two over two, double hung, sash windows, while rectangular louvered vents are placed in the front and rear gable peaks.

The west addition has a door centrally placed in its facade wall. This door, sheltered by a corrugated metal hood, is reached by concrete steps with wrought iron railings. A two over two, double hung sash window is placed to the left of this door. The facade wall of the east addition is fenestrated with large, single light, display windows with a canted window at the east. The rear of the building displays additional additions and alterations. A shed roofed, rectangular, single story addition projects to the rear of the west side addition. This addition, which contains one or more apartments, is fenestrated with a mixture of six-light windows, one over one windows, and two-light sliding windows. A modern, wood-framed, open stringer stair adjoins the rear wall of the main block, and provides access to a shed-roofed, second story, screened porch placed at the rear of the west side addition.

The original portions of the foundation are constructed of rubble, while the foundations of more recent additions are constructed of concrete. A two-leaf bulkhead adjoins the rear wall of the east addition. The walls are sheathed in German siding, and the roof of the main block is sheathed in composition shingles. A square brick chimney projects from near the rear of the roof ridge of the main block.

8. Significance

Survey No. HA-1676

Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<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"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

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

2118 Old Edgewood Road, a wood-framed commercial building, probably dates back to the nineteenth century development of Edgewood as a railroad station stop serving the surrounding area. When the commercial district of the community was relocated further north, the building was probably enlarged and converted to apartments.

In 1878, the Martenet map indicates that the Mechem and Sons Store was located at the approximate site of the present building. The 1858 Jennings and Herrick map does not show a store, suggesting that the building was constructed sometime between 1858 and 1878.

The store was constructed on a portion of a 10 acre tract of land, described as lying on the Gunpowder Neck Road, that William P. and Elizabeth R. Trimble sold to William Mechem in 1868 in \$3,500 (Harford County Deed Book 23:270, October 26, 1868). Mechem was apparently one of the proprietors of the Mechem and Sons store. After his acquisition, Mechem sold off the large tract into smaller parcels on which were erected some of Edgewood's earliest buildings.

In 1920, Markowitz and Emma Berman sold the property to John H. Carroll, Jr. and Matilda A. Carroll for \$8,000 (Harford County Deed Book 171:142, March 8, 1920). The Carrolls owned the property for thirty-six years prior to its sale to Leota D. Martin for ten dollars and other good and valuable considerations (Harford County Deed Book 466:217, April 27, 1956). In 1972, Martin sold the property, which consisted of three separate parcels of land to Juanita M. Keister, the present owner for ten dollars and other good and valuable considerations (Harford County Deed Book 906:98, September 6, 1972).

The building is historically significant as a nineteenth century store, an early building that served as the commercial and social center of the community. However, subsequent changes to the exterior and interior that have converted the general store to a smaller commercial space and apartment building have compromised the building's architectural integrity. As a result of these changes, it no longer convincingly conveys associations to the time of its construction. Therefore, it is recommended not eligible for the National Register.

9. Major Bibliographical Reference

Survey No. HA-1676

Harford County Deed Books. Office of the County Clerk. Harford County Courthouse. Bel Air, Maryland.

Jennings and Herrick. *A Map of Harford County, Maryland*. Published by Jennings and Herrick. Printed by L.N. Rosenthal, Philadelphia, 1858. Blueprint reproduction available from the Historical Society of Harford County, Bel Air, Maryland.

Martenet, Simon J. *Martenet's Map of Harford County, Maryland*. Baltimore: Lithographed by Schmidt & Trowe, 1878.

10. Geographical Data

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Quadrangle name Edgewood, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 66, Parcel 1122. This boundary corresponds to those to which the owner holds title.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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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.

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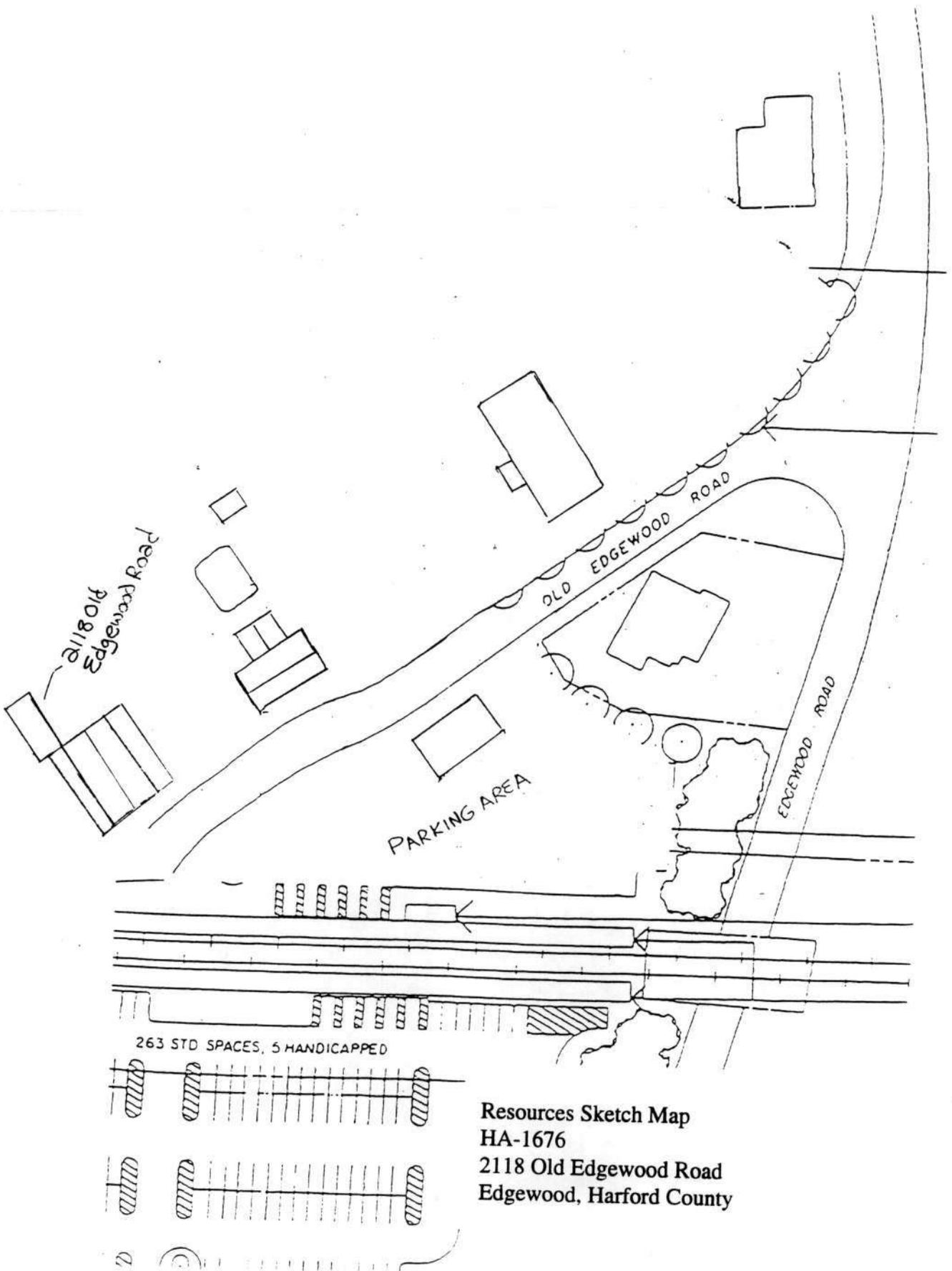
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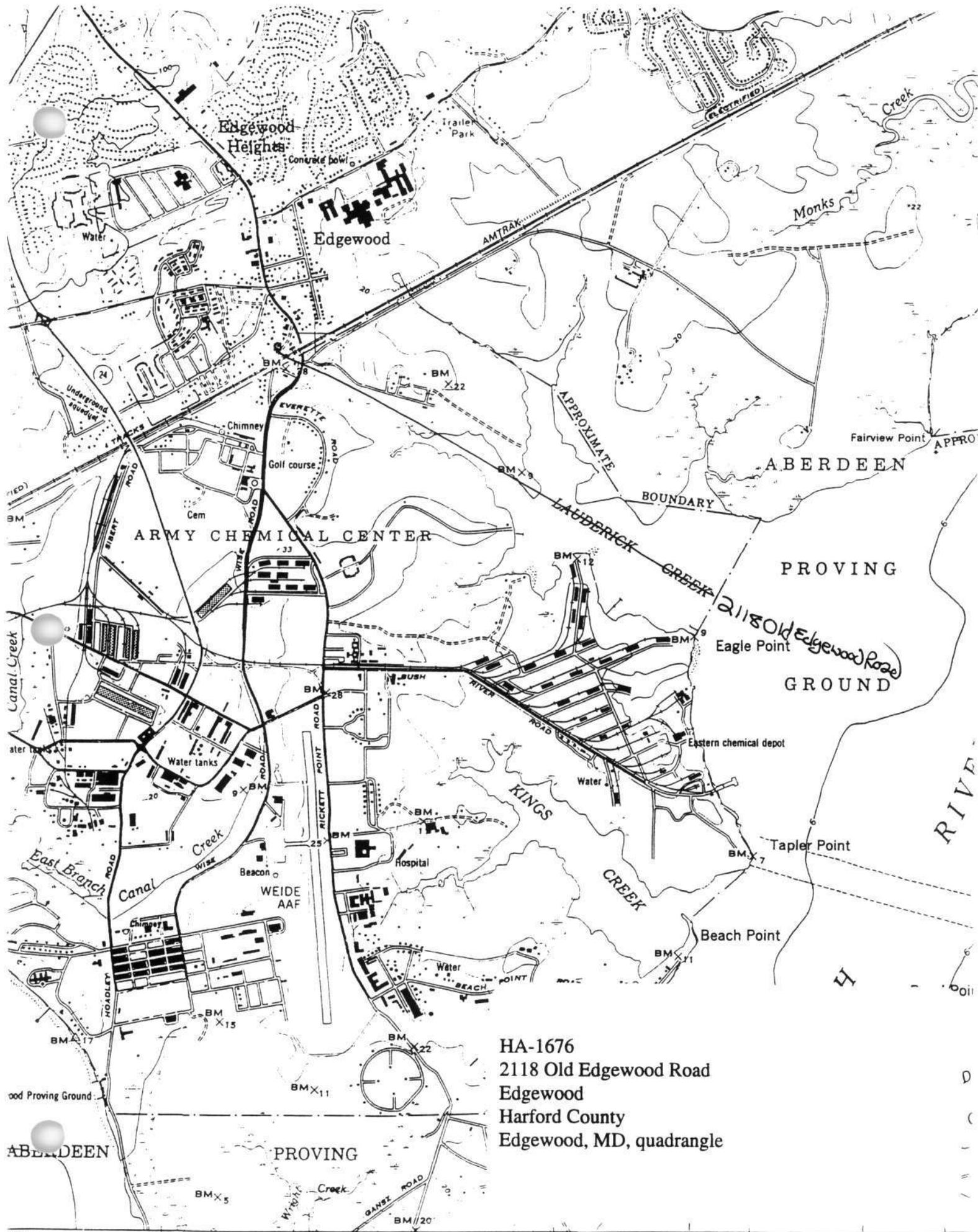
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County Harford

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Resources Sketch Map
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 2118 Old Edgewood Road
 Edgewood, Harford County



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 2118 Old Edgewood Road
 Edgewood
 Harford County
 Edgewood, MD, quadrangle



HA-1070

2118 Old Edgewood Road

Hartford, Maryland

Douglas McVarish

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Maryland SHPO

SE elevation and NE side

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HA-1676

2118 Old Edgewood Road

Harford, Maryland

Donalds McBrich
(1931-2008)

Maryland SIFD

NW elevation @ NE side

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