

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

Property/District Name: Seward Property Survey Number: HA-2030

Project: Demolition/New Development Agency: CORPS

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)

The Seward Property, located north of Philadelphia Road between Baltimore Street and Stepney Road in Harford County, Maryland is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The farm complex includes a primary residence and its associated smokehouse and several large agricultural buildings, including barns and silos, most of which post-date the mid-20th-century house.

The primary residence is a 2-1/2-story frame house covered with a hipped roof and built in the first or second quarter of the 20th century. Built as a variation to the "American four-square," the house reflects a common residential building form of the period and lacks the architectural distinction necessary to qualify it for listing on the National Register under Criterion C. Further, according to Harford County preservation planner, Christopher Weeks, hundreds of similar examples of this "foursquare" farmhouse exist in the county.

In addition to the primary residence, the farm complex includes a stone pump house, a brick smokehouse and several large agricultural buildings. None of these agricultural buildings or domestic outbuildings is particularly distinguished in itself, nor is the farm complex as a whole a particularly fine or cohesive example of its type.

The Seward Farm is not known to have associations with persons or events significant to our past or to have potential to yield information on history and prehistory, and is thus not eligible for the National Register under Criteria A, B, or D.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance

Prepared by: Christopher Weeks, Preservation Planner for Harford County, MD

Kim Williams and David Blick February 21, 1996
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
Calvin Roberts 2-27-96
Reviewer, NR program Date

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

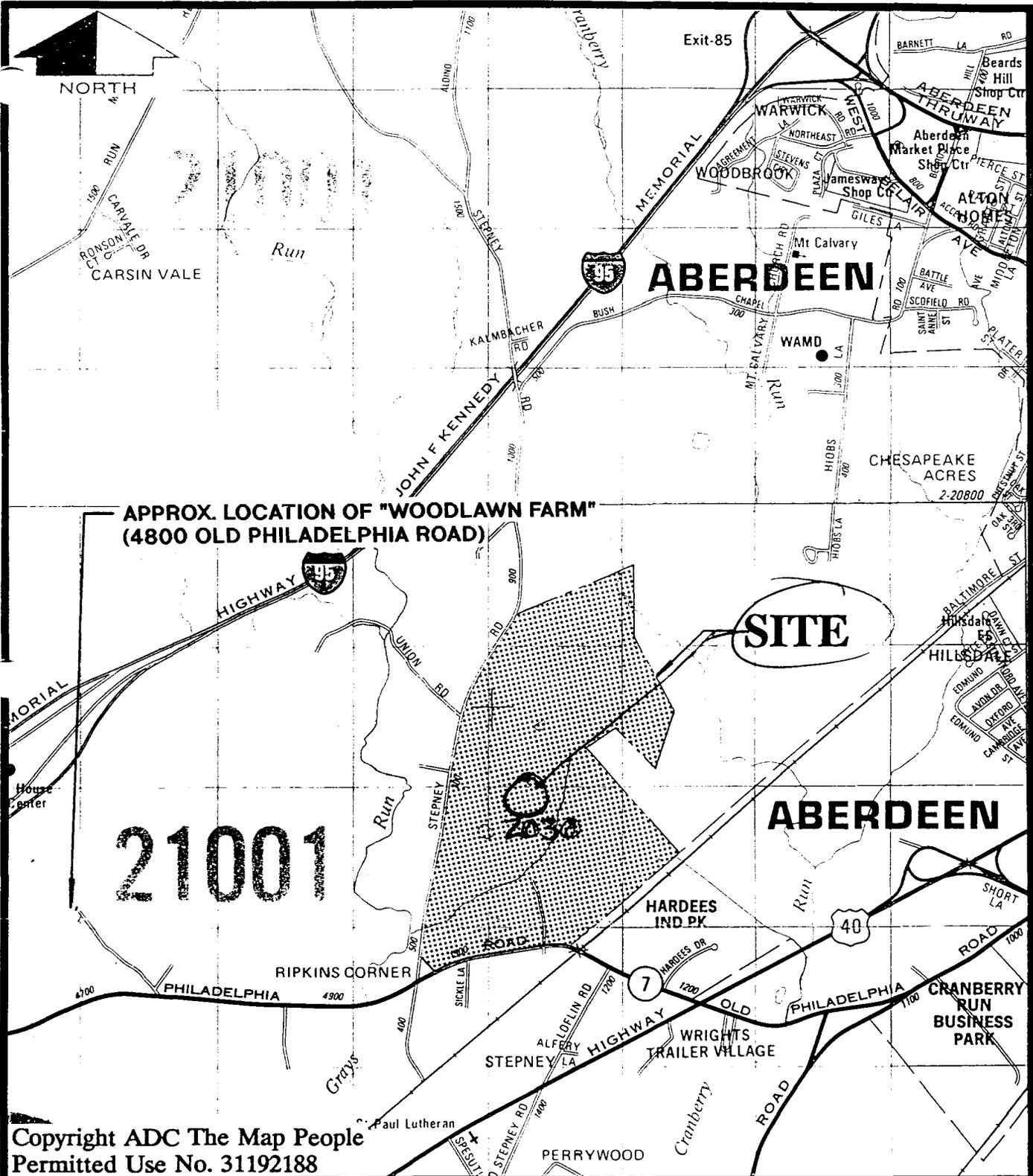
Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: _____

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APPROX. LOCATION OF "WOODLAWN FARM"
 (4800 OLD PHILADELPHIA ROAD)

21001

SITE

ABERDEEN

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LOCATION MAP
 FOR THE
SEWARD PROPERTY
 HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

SCALE
 1" = 2000'

DATE
 Dec. 1995

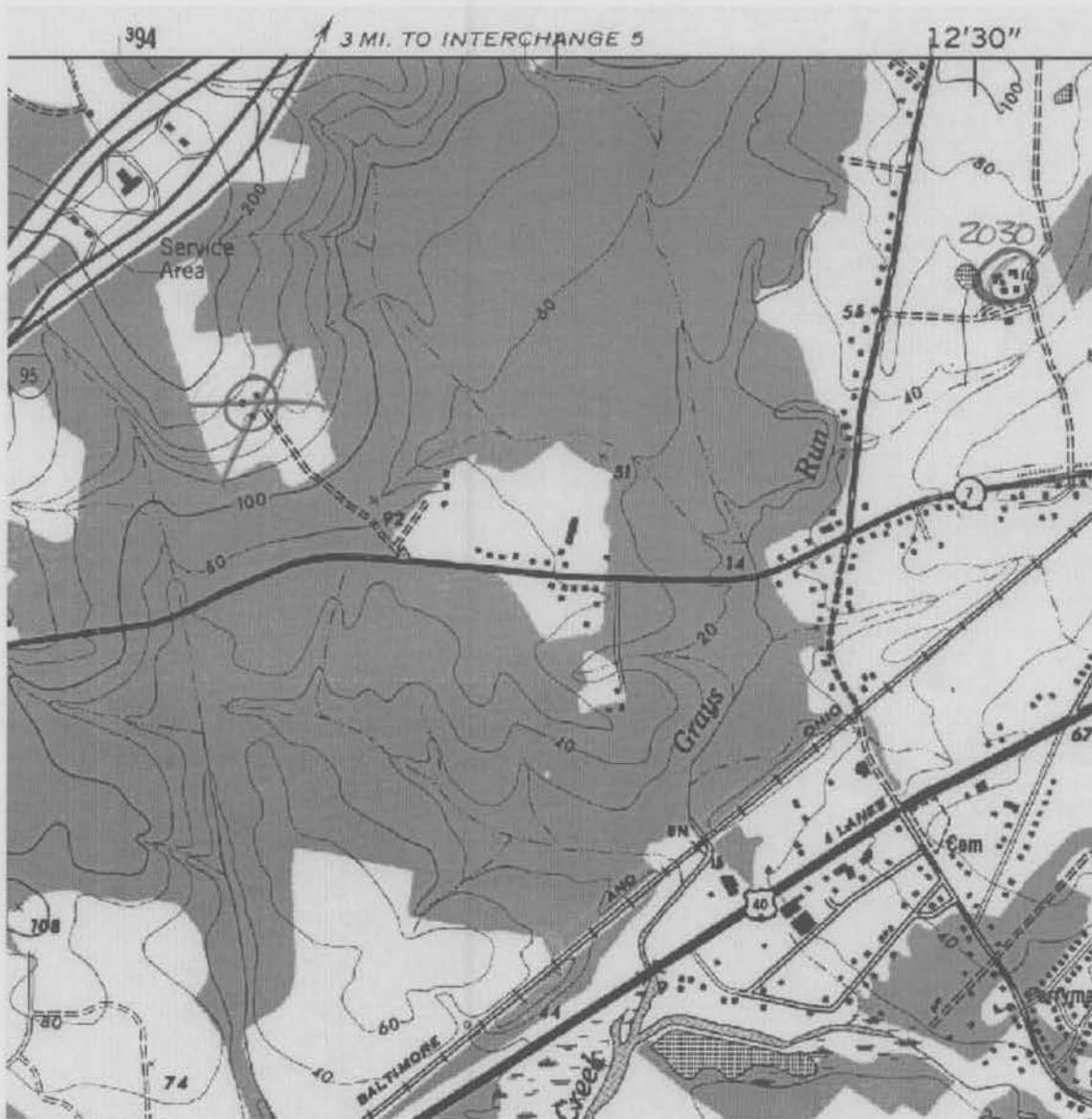
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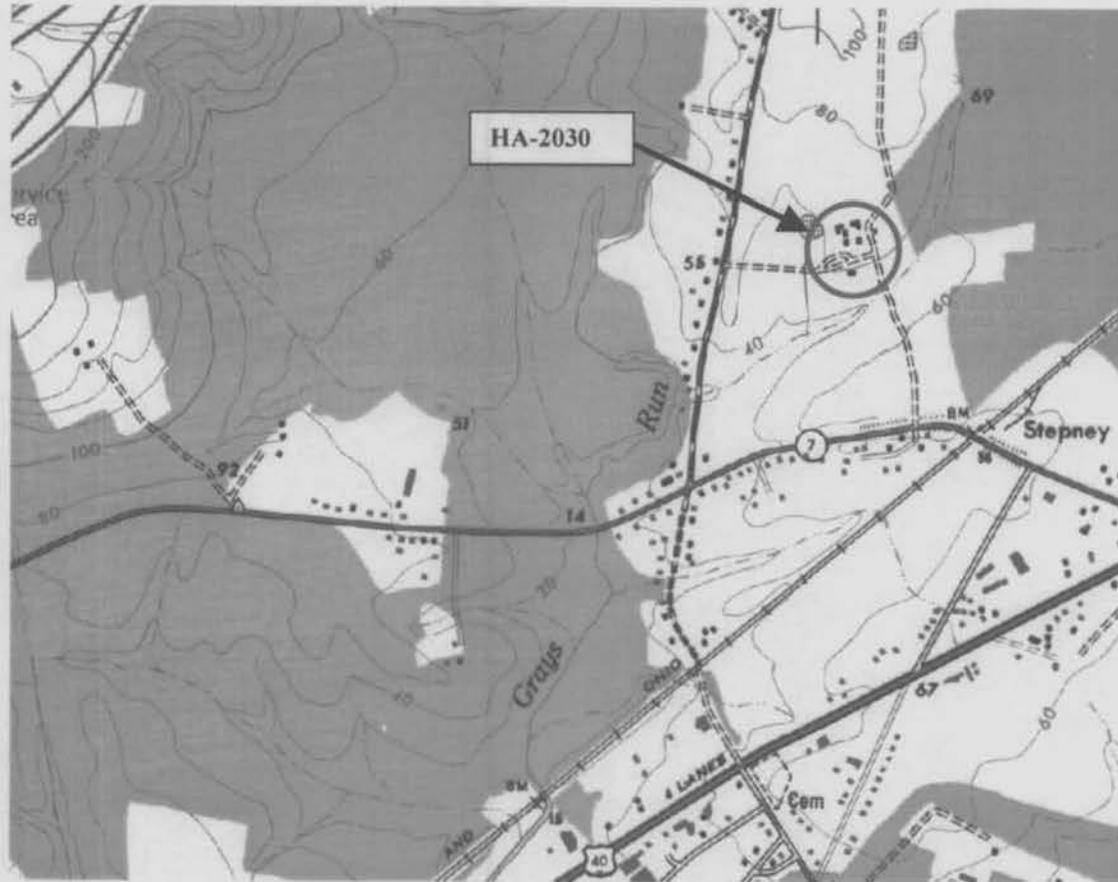
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Seward Property
4800 Old Philadelphia Road 3
Harford County
Perryman Quad

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Seward Property
612 South Stepney Road, Aberdeen
Perryman Quadrangle



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Seward Property
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PHOTOGRAPH 1: VIEW OF THE RESIDENCE FROM THE SOUTHWEST

