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Circa 1811

Spring Dale Farm
Highland
Private

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The north elevation now features a central, rectangular entrance, flanked on the west by a single rectangular, first floor, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights, vertically aligned to a similar second floor window, and on the east by a tripartite rectangular window. This window's three sections are separated by flat pilasters, with each section a rectangular, double-hung window, holding six-over-two lights. Two second floor, two-over-two light windows rest above, while from the first floor window sills, a stone facing has been applied to the house.

A one story high, hipped roof open porch, supported by four square posts and two pilasters covers the entrance, while a square brick central chimney and a smaller, square chimney, inset into the building's west wall, complete the building's profile.

Spring Dale Farm was originally owned by Isaac Wilson, who sold the land and premises to Nathan Haines in 1811. By 1888 it was passed into the hands of the Nichols family, who still own it, when Lucinda Haines sold "Spring Dale Farm" to Dr. Jeremiah Nichols.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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MAGI #1404265304

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Springdale Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Brighton Dam Rd

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME T. Guy Nichols Estate
J. Morris Nichols et al

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

5804 Rossmore Dr.

CITY, TOWN

Bethesda

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland, 20014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Tax Map 34 blk 14 p 60
Hall of Records

Liber #: 71

Folio #: 457

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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

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The building's north elevation now features, with its additional west bay, a central rectangular entrance leading into a central hall and staircase, which was originally an end bay entrance and hall with one large room on the east. This east room features a brick fireplace decorated with a wooden mantelpiece, composed of flat pilasters and architrave with mantle shelf.

One wide landing stone with Nichols inscribed on its west side is placed before the three wooden steps leading to the landing of the one story high, hipped roof, open porch supported by four square posts and two pilasters, which covers the central entrance. The entrance is flanked on the west by a single, rectangular, first floor, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights, vertically aligned to a similar second floor window, and on the east by a tripartite rectangular window. This window's three sections are separated by flat pilasters, with each section a rectangular, double-hung window, holding six-over-two lights. Two second floor, two-over-two light windows rest above, while from the first floor window sills on this side of the north elevation, a stone facing has been applied.

The west elevation of the house holds a first and second floor, rectangular, double-hung window with two-over-two lights. The east elevation of the original house holds a central, first floor, eight-eight light, rectangular casement window, with a rectangular, second floor, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights above and inset into the "A" of the gable roof, a square, blocked in attic window.

The east elevation of the dining room-kitchen addition holds two first floor, rectangular, double-hung windows with two-over-two lights and a similar second floor window above.

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The interior of the house now features a central hall plan with upstairs and downstairs room on either side. Originally, as already stated, the house was constructed with a west end hall and probably faced south, with an additional back or north entrance. The staircase features square spindles and kneel post. The east wall of the hall holds a very wide covered, brick or stone fireplace wall for the living room fireplace on the other side.

The east room, or living room for the house, holds the original fireplace and simply designed wooden mantelpiece. The interior features five inch wide floors and cross paneled doors, as well as unmitred woodwork.

A one story high, frame, summer kitchen cottage is located east of the house, while a large quarry once operated by the Nichols family is located closely adjacent and south of the house.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Circa 1811

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Spring Dale Farm is significant historically to Howard County and the State of Maryland as the home of both the Nathan Haines' and Dr. Jeremiah Nichols' families and architecturally as an example of Howard County's early nineteenth century domestic architecture.

On March 30, 1811, Isaac Wilson conveyed two tracts or parcels of land and premises to Nathan Haines for \$1700 (Liber EPA #5, Folio 490, Anne Arundel County,).

Pages of testimony, giving a great deal of historical information, is found in an Equity Case dated 16 Feb, 1849, between the members of the Haines family found in Equity Book #2-283 Howard County. Evidently the lime kiln noted on the Hopkin's Atlas of 1878 (see Attachment 3) west of the house was owned by Nathan Haines, for such information is presented, along with the fact that Nathan gave the lime kiln place to his son Mordecai. Mordecai took possession of the house and surrounding property in 1840 and lived there until 1852. When Mordecai took possession of the place, it was in very bad condition, "both fences and land". He put lime upon most of the fields and repaired the fences. The lime came from the place. He also planted an orchard and put up fences. These tracts were then known as Purdum's Enlargement, containing 75 acres of land. Nathan Haines had three children: Mordecai, Mary and Eleanor who married Nickolas Hardy.

Mordecai had several children, namely: Lucinda, George Washington, James, William, Elizabeth and Jon.

The result of the court case was that Lucinda got title to the property from her brothers and sisters and sold it to the Nichols family. Before going on to the Nichols family, however, the following inventory of "services rendered" from 1821 to 1835 is of interest.

1835 -	To hire negro woman 18 months	\$24.00
1836 -	To hire negro man, Sam, for 4 years	200.00
	20 bushel corn at \$1.00 ea.	20.00
1839 -	30 bushel wheat at \$1.00 ea.	30.00
	60 bushel at 45 cents per bushel	27.50
1840 -	To hire negro man, George, at \$80.00 per year for 15 months.	100.00
		<u>100.00</u>
		\$1,376.50

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

Held by the Haines family for some 70 years, this property has been owned by the Nichols family since 1888 when Lucinda sold it to Dr. Jeremiah Nichols, (59-63). Dr. Nichols paid \$2100 and it has remained in the Nichols family ever since. Some ten years later Agnes Nichols conveyed the deed to Thomas Guy Nichols.

Architecturally, the building is noteworthy as an example of frame construction, to which several additions have been successfully integrated. Otherwise, it is a modest building.

It's interior, however, retains its original staircase, featuring square spindles, and its original random width floors.

Noted by the Howard County Bicentennial Committee by the issuance of an historic plaque, it stands today as a comfortable, Howard County residence.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records
Interview with Mrs. Roberta Adams on August 14, 1979

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 68.796

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 34

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 71 Folio 457

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

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.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

UPPERT JR.
ET. AL.
576
/569, 707/308, 309
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Commercial Pipeline Corp
Seaboard Corp

DAYTON W. EDDY
611/739
17.00A. P.291

THOMAS E. MCGUNIGAL
724/578
20.06A. P.303

5.00A. P.331
3.00A. P.341
727/576 TRACT

LOT 3 P.183
P.314
P.312
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2.17A P.315
1.11A P.166
3.18A P.302

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NICHOLS DRIVE (PATUXENT DAM RD)
WOODBRIDGE
43720
3.28A P.104
3.53A P.107
P.181

E.H. STEELE
807/524
4.76A. P.146
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P.216
P.114
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LOT 14
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1.60A
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NERSHIP
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W.H. RANDALL
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CHRIS-MAR. EST.
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ALLNUFF LANE

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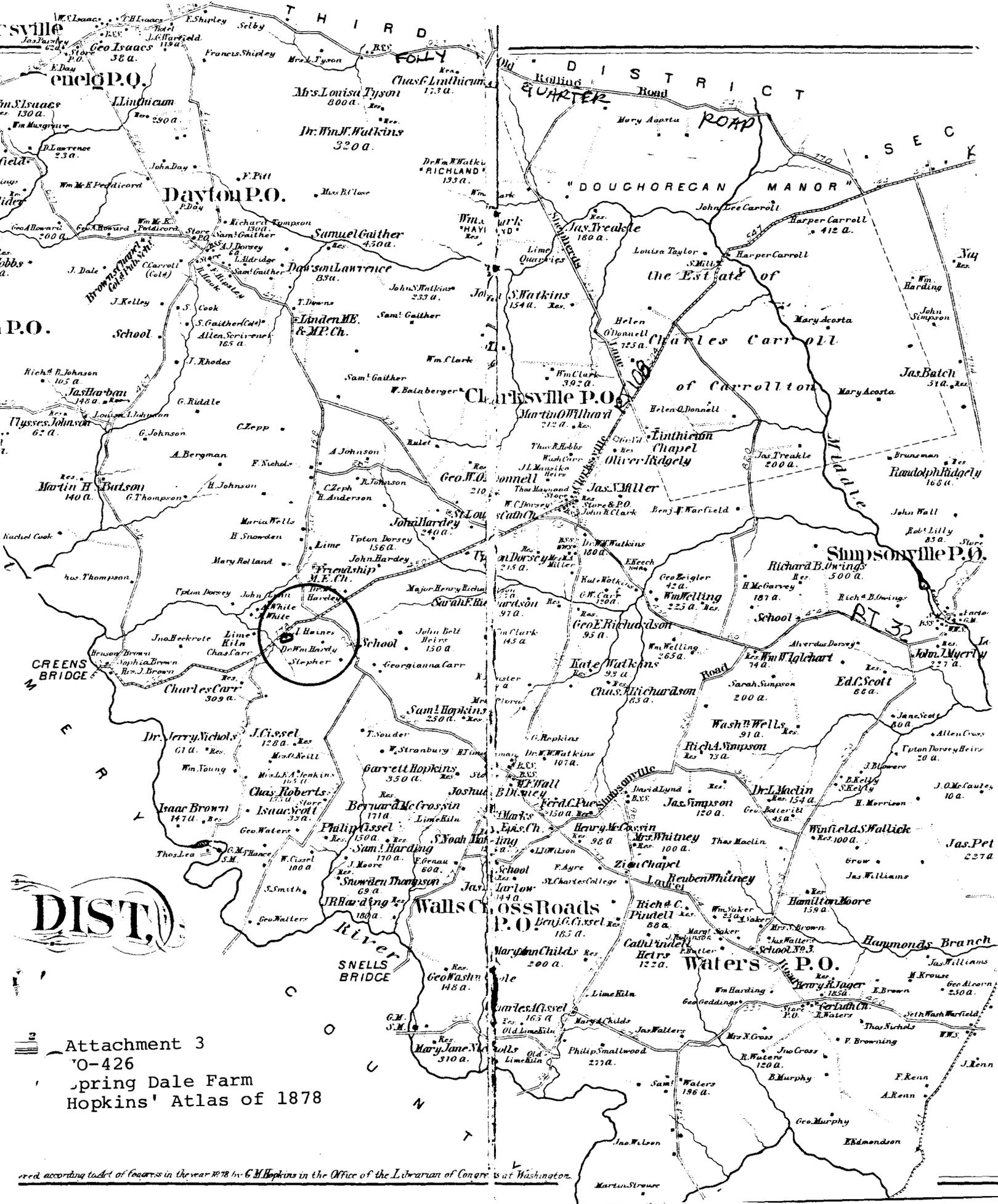
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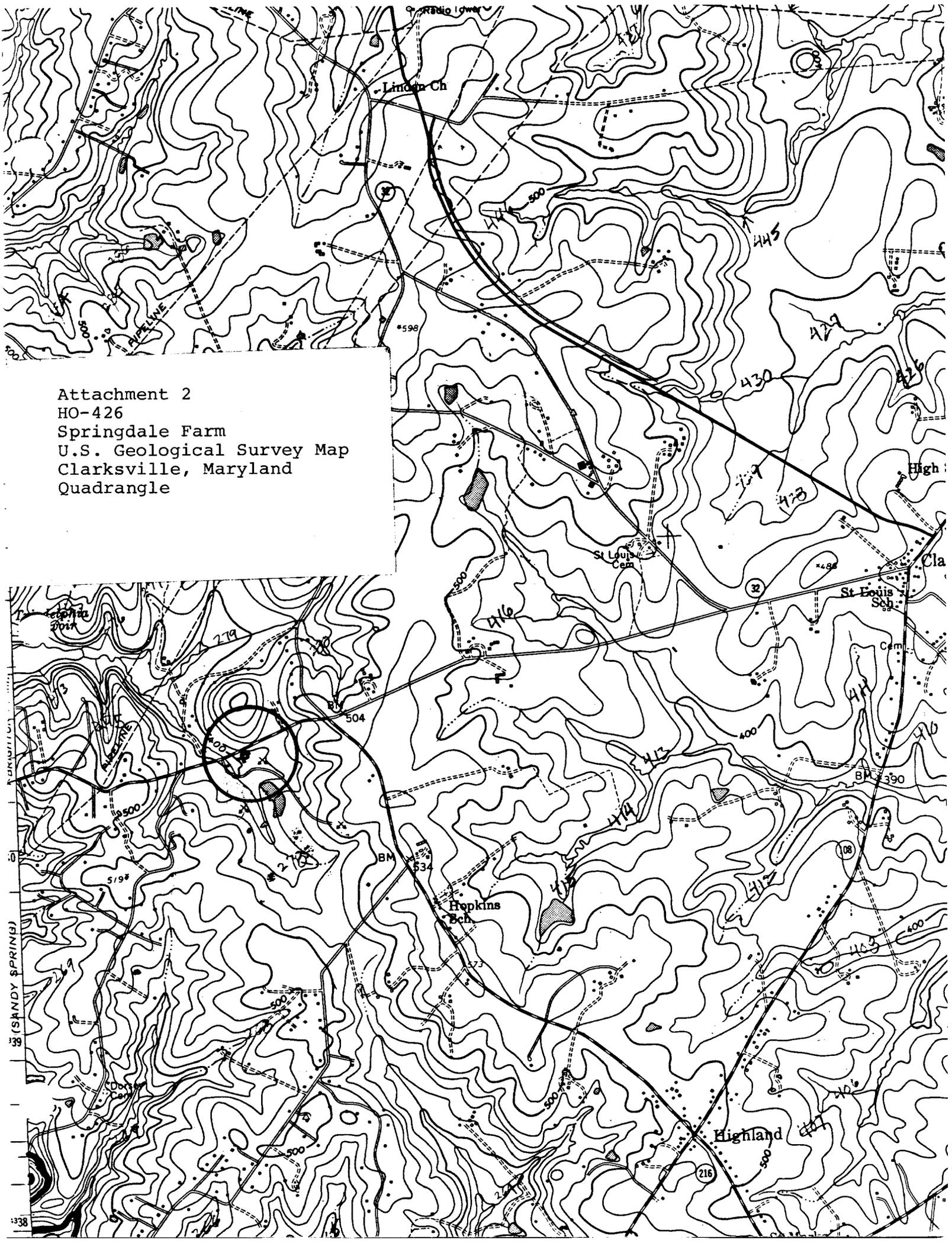
Attachment I
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Springdale Farm
Tax Map 34



Attachment 3
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 Spring Dale Farm
 Hopkins' Atlas of 1878

Prepared according to Act of Congress in the year 1878 by G.M. Hopkins in the Office of the Librarian of Congress at Washington.

Attachment 2
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Springdale Farm
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Clarksville, Maryland
Quadrangle





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SPRING DALE FARM
NORTHWEST

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