

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

Property Name: Button Property Inventory Number: M: 18-43
 Address: West side of Black Rock Road, north of Seneca Creek Historic district: yes no
 City: Germantown Zip Code: _____ County: Montgomery
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Germantown
 Property Owner: MD DNR Tax Account ID Number: _____
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): _____ Tax Map Number: _____
 Project: Lease of Button Property MD20050526-0412 Agency: DNR
 Agency Prepared By: Maryland Historical Trust
 Preparer's Name: Jonathan Sager Date Prepared: 6/20/2005
 Documentation is presented in: MIHP M: 18-43, MIHP M: 19-38
 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 Listed: yes
 Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

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

According to the draft Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form for Seneca Creek State Park (M:19-38) prepared by R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, Inc and dated September 1, 2003; the Button house and farm are not part of a historic district or individually eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended _____	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <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
MHT Comments:	
<u>Andrew Lewis</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>6/22/05</u> Date
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, National Register Program	<u>6/21/05</u> Date

200501558

Inventory Number: M 18:43
The Button Property
Montgomery Co., MD
C. Mazurek
October 22, 1997
Section 7.1

Addendum

The Button house located on the west side of Black Rock Road in Seneca Creek State Park is used as a rental property by the Department of Natural Resources. The house appears on the exterior to be well kept up with no obvious changes to the structure since the last survey of the property in 1979.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

The Button Property

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West side of Black Rock Road, north of Seneca Creek

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

within Seneca Creek State Park VICINITY OF Germantown

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

State of Maryland (Dept. of Natural Resources) Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Taylor Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Court House

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

M:18-43

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Button Property, located on the west side of Black Rock Road, north of the Great Seneca Creek, is a typical early Twentieth Century farmstead of Montgomery County.

The main house is a two-story, stucco-over-frame structure with a heavy overhanging hipped roof and similarly hipped dormers on three of the four roof planes. Lightning rods on each of the dormers perform a practical as well as decorative function. Two chimneys are located on either side of what appears to have been at one time either a simple cupola or balustraded deck on the hipped roof.

A one-story open porch wraps around the east (main) and south facades. Any architectural details on the wooden supports or along the frieze have been covered by thick stucco.

The main facade is three bays wide: a central entrance flanked by two windows on the first story and three symmetrically placed windows on the second story. A simple transom and sidelights surround the doorway. Plain box moulding outlines the 1/1 double-hung sashed windows of both stories.

Little distinguishes the three remaining facades. A second and third entrance are located on the south and west walls, respectively. The latter door has been blocked off. All windows are 2/2 double-hung sashed and are enframed with the plain box moulding.

Various outbuildings surround the farmhouse. All date from the same period as the main house.

The house and barns appear to be in good condition due to the fact that the complex is an active DNR rental property.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

M:18-43

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) rural fabric of area
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES circa 1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Button farmhouse is a typical circa 1910 dwelling found in abundance throughout the rural areas and small towns of Montgomery County. Although it lacks many of the details to give it architectural or historical distinction, this structure, with its associated outbuildings, well sited along Black Rock Road, is an important contribution to the rural fabric of the area.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Bridget M. Deale, Historic Sites Surveyor

February 1979

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

269-2438

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

Maryland

CITY OR TOWN

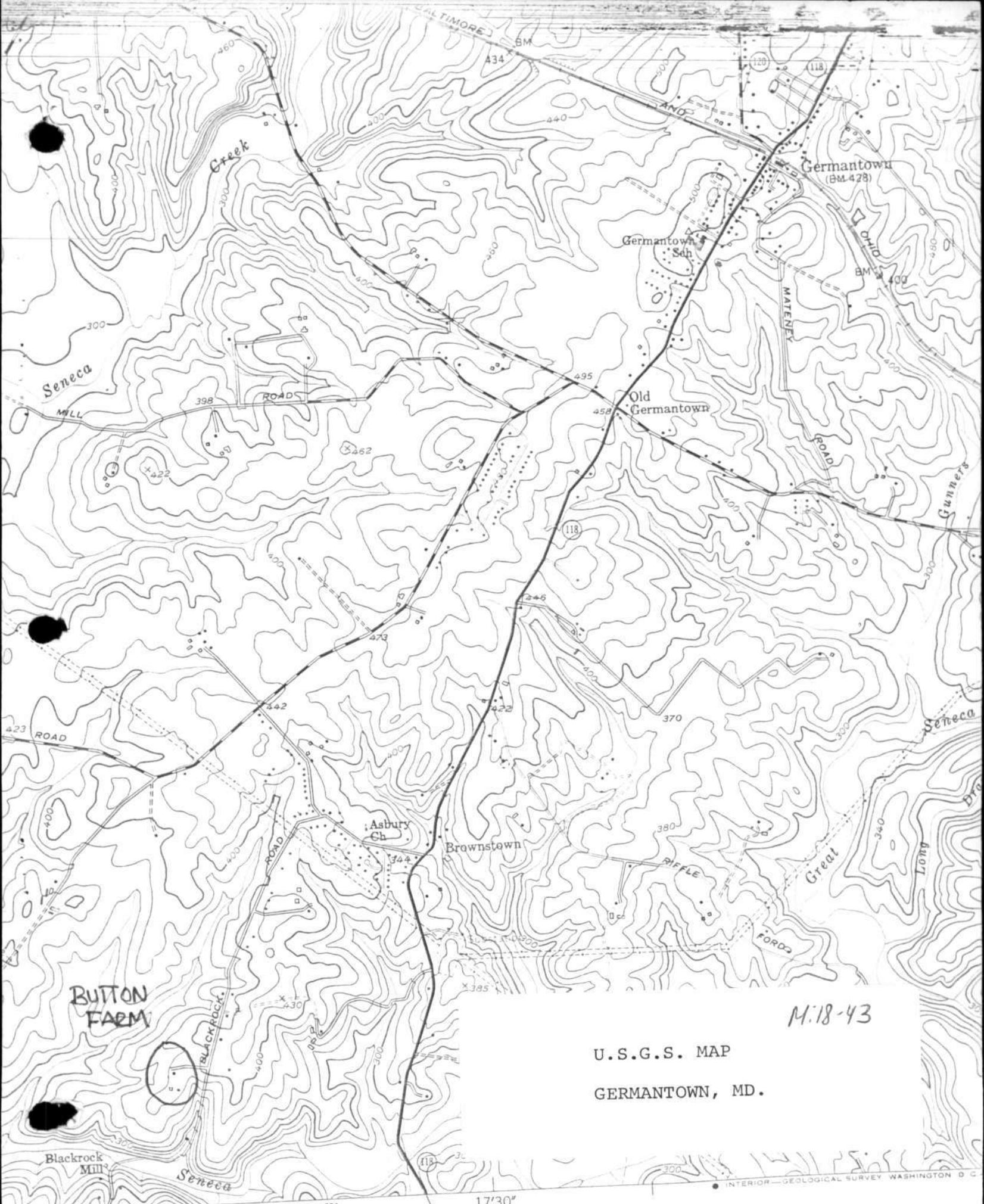
Annapolis

STATE

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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U.S.G.S. MAP
GERMANTOWN, MD.

(SENECA)
5562 III SE
SCALE 1:24000

17'30"
1.1 MI. TO MD. 28

1 MILE

Heavy-duty

ROAD



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BUTTON FARMHOUSE
SENECA STATE PARK

8/78 BMD

NE ELEV.