

**Maryland Historical Trust
Determination of Eligibility Form**

Property Name: England/Crown Farm Inventory Number: M: 20-17
 Address: Steinbeck Avenue Historic District: Yes No
 City: Gaithersburg Zip Code: County: Montgomery
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Rockville
 Property Owner: Tax Account ID Number:
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): Tax Map Number:
 Project: Corridor Cities Transitway Project Agency: Maryland Transit Administration
 Agency Prepared By: RK&K, LLP
 Preparer's Name: Christeen Taniguchi Date Prepared: 07/28/2014

Documentation Is Presented In:

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 purpose of this DOE is to re-evaluate the England/Crown Farm for the National Register of Historic Places and revise the eligible boundary. The property has undergone alterations, namely mixed-use development and building demolitions after a fire.

Previous Survey Efforts:

1974: England/Crown Farm was surveyed by The Maryland-National Capital Park Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), but not evaluated for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

1985: The M-NCPPC designated the site in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation because it is of significant value to the "cultural memory" of Montgomery County and because it is an example of a culturally significant Victorian dwelling with an architecturally worthy log house. In addition, the Commission stated the farm "possesses high artistic value" due to the intricate bracket work and cornice along its main façade.

1996: The Maryland State Highway Administration determined the property eligible for the NRHP under Criteria A and C, and the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) concurred. The evaluation described the property as an intact and cohesive example of a

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<u>Jim Taniguchi</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>12/18/2014</u> Date
<u>B. Kintz</u> Reviewer, National Register Program	<u>12/18/14</u> Date

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small-scale dairy farm complex. The owner's move from a small, one-room log dwelling to the substantial and stylish Victorian farmhouse provides insight into the evolution of farm life from the early to mid-nineteenth century into the late twentieth century, while the house itself is a well-preserved example of high Victorian vernacular building forms of the period. The property is described as being approximately 47 acres, but there is no associated mapping.

Recent Changes to the Property:

Mixed-use Development: In recent years, the property was acquired for private mixed-use development to consist of townhouses, parks, woodlands, a high school, and retail space. Decoverly Drive was recently extended through former England/Crown Farm farm fields, along the southeast side of the farmstead (Photographs 22, 25, and 26). The Corridor Cities Transitway Bus Rapid Transit is proposed to run along Decoverly Drive and a station stop would be constructed at this property. During the July 18, 2014, site visit for this reassessment, construction was in progress in former farm field northwest of Decoverly Drive (Photographs 21-26). While the southeast portion of the property is planned for later stages of the development, this area is bordered by new fencing, and has a large fill pile and excavation site for the development's community building.

Due to permitting requirements, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers consulted with MHT for this project. Consultation included a submittal of farmhouse and log house rehabilitation plans, a report entitled "England-Crown Farm: Alternative Analysis and Structural Assessment Report," and a letter from the firm Historic Restoration Specialists describing their proposed approach to the log house, to certify they conform to The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (Rehabilitation). On August 22, 2012, MHT responded that, given the deteriorated condition of these buildings, the work proposed would conform to the Standards. The plan after rehabilitation is to sell the two buildings, along with the smokehouse, for single-family residential use; the buildings would remain at their current location, but with a new address: 605 Steinbeck Avenue.

Exterior rehabilitation of the log house, Victorian farmhouse, and smokehouse appeared to be nearly complete during the July 18, 2014, site visit. Work on the Victorian farmhouse interior was still in progress. Victorian farmhouse: Original character-defining features that contribute to the house's eligibility for the NRHP were retained, including an ornate hipped-roof front porch with scroll sawn details; two-over-two, wood double-hung windows; original wood paneled and glass doors; a side-gabled roof with returns and gable-end red brick chimneys; and steeply-pitched gable dormer at the façade (Photographs 1-5). Early alterations that are character-defining features were also retained, including an addition at the rear elevation; a stone pebble stucco finish applied on the original wood lap siding; and the current metal roofing system, including stamped metal paneling at the main gable roof. The original shutters were removed at one point, but were reinstalled, including several pairs that had been stored in the log house; missing shutters were fabricated to match the existing (Coratola Architectural Studio, LLC, report, p. 9). Most of the doors, including a paneled glass storm door at the front entrance, are original and are to be retained; while the main front door was missing, it was replaced in a design compatible with the Standards. The installation of new guard rails at the façade portion and second floor deck to meet 2009 International Residential Code requirements are non-original alterations incorporated as part of the rehabilitation; these elements were designed to meet rehabilitation standards and could be removed in the future without causing any irreversible damage to the original porch (Coratola Architectural Studio, LLC, report, p. 5). New handrails, balusters, and newel posts would be installed at the existing front steps where currently

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Considerations: **A** **B** **C** **D** **E** **F** **G**

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there are none (Coratola Architectural Studio, LLC, architectural plans, sheet A-102.1). Log house: The severe deterioration required replacement of much of the log house (Photographs 6-9). While the new features matched the old, it included cedar shakes for the roof sheathing, and wood windows, doors, and floor boards. The rubble stone foundation is also new. New logs were machine cut to differentiate from the old; the chinking is a lime cement and sand mixture, with a white wash stain applied on the interior walls (Coratola Architectural Studio, LLC, report, p. 14). While the structural assessment report recommending reusing any intact clapboard lap siding, it appears reuse was not possible. However, it appears some of the roof structure was able to be retained.

Fire: A fire on May 29, 2011, destroyed many of the farm buildings and structures on the property, with seven elements remaining (Photographs 1-20). The reference numbers in the "Sketch #" columns refer to Attachment D and those in the "Site Plan #" column refers to Attachment E. Note the unnumbered property elements in the Attachment E aerial photograph no longer exist:

Extant Elements at Crown Farm:

- Victorian farmhouse
- Log house
- Smoke house
- Corrugated metal grain bin
- Concrete block garage (and attached storage shed)
- Corn crib barn (and attached shed additions)
- Two silos

Demolished Elements at Crown Farm:

- Dog house
- Office/storage shed
- Shed/storage
- Shed
- Shed
- Corn crib
- Storage sheds
- Storage shed
- Storage shed
- Cold storage/shed
- Shed
- Shed
- Small barn (and adjacent shed and storage structures)
- Dairy barn
- Hay barn
- Milk house

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Fixed chute/cow holding structure

Eligibility Reassessment:

Previous NRHP Status: Approximately 47 acres eligible under Criteria A and C

Proposed NRHP Status: Tax parcel for 605 Steinbeck Avenue containing the remaining historic structures eligible under Criterion C

England/Crown Farm was originally determined NRHP-eligible under Criteria A and C. A fire led to the demolition of many of the buildings and structures, including the dairy barn and hay barn. Therefore, the property as a whole has lost its design, materials, and workmanship. In addition to this loss, the former farm fields are changing into mixed-use development; therefore the farm lost what remained of its pastoral surroundings. The property does not retain integrity of setting, feeling, and association. The former farm is no longer an intact and cohesive example of a small-scale dairy farm complex. Therefore, England/Crown Farm does not retain integrity to be eligible for Criterion A.

Victorian farmhouse: The Victorian farmhouse maintains the character-defining features making it eligible for the NRHP, such as an ornate hipped-roof front porch with scroll sawn details, stone pebble stucco finished exterior walls, a stamped metal panel-clad roof, and gable-end red brick chimneys. While non-original porch rails are being incorporated to meet safety standards, they were designed to be reversible and meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (Rehabilitation). Therefore, the building still retains integrity to remain a well-preserved example of high Victorian vernacular building forms of the period.

The England/Crown Farm is still eligible for the NRHP under Criterion C.

Boundary Revision

As noted above, the previous NRHP-eligible property was approximately 47 acres. However, this reevaluation reduces the size of the historic property to only include the tax parcel associated with 605 Steinbeck Avenue, the current address for the England/Crown Farm.

Works Consulted

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England/Crown Farm (M: 20-17), survey forms at the Maryland Historical Trust.

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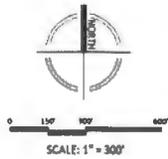
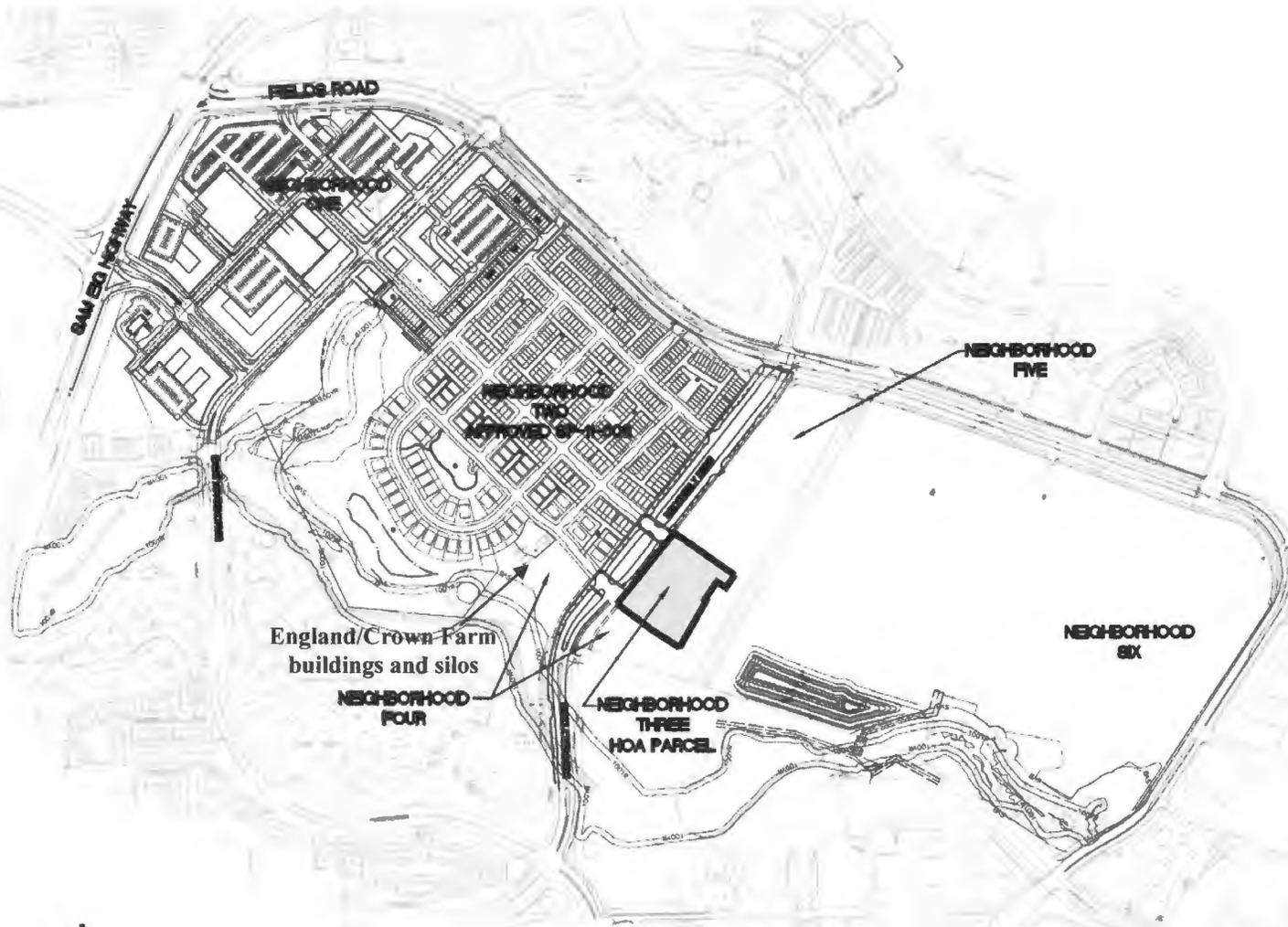
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**Corridor Cities Transitway Bus Rapid Transit Project
Attachment A
England/Crown Farm Private Mixed-Use Development Plan**





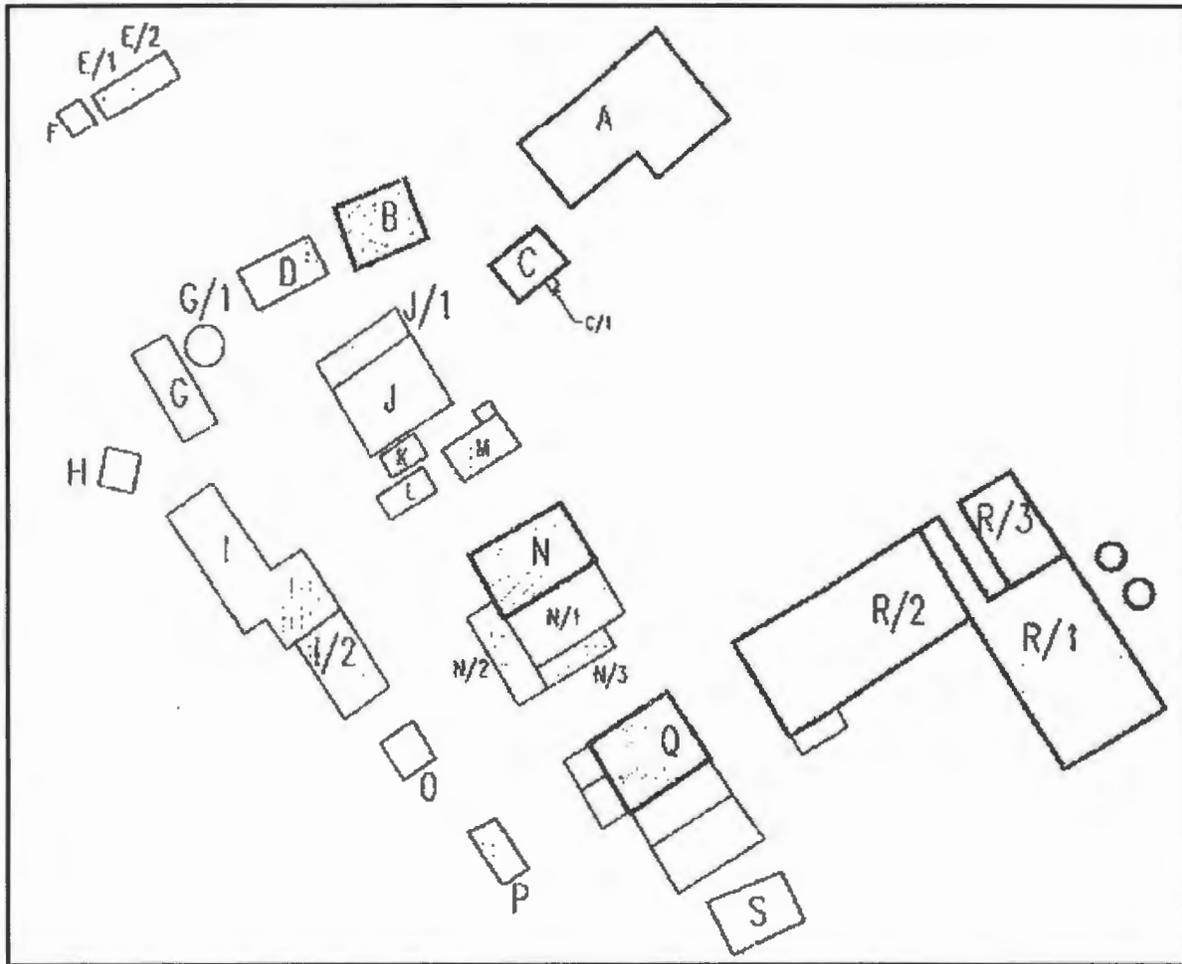
Circa late nineteenth century view of the Victorian farmhouse at England/Crown Farm
(www.gaithersburghistory.com)



Circa 2011 view of the Victorian farmhouse at England/Crown Farm, before plywood boards were installed on the windows and doors for their protection (www.gaithersburghistory.com)

Attachment D

England/Crown Farm Extant and Demolished Elements

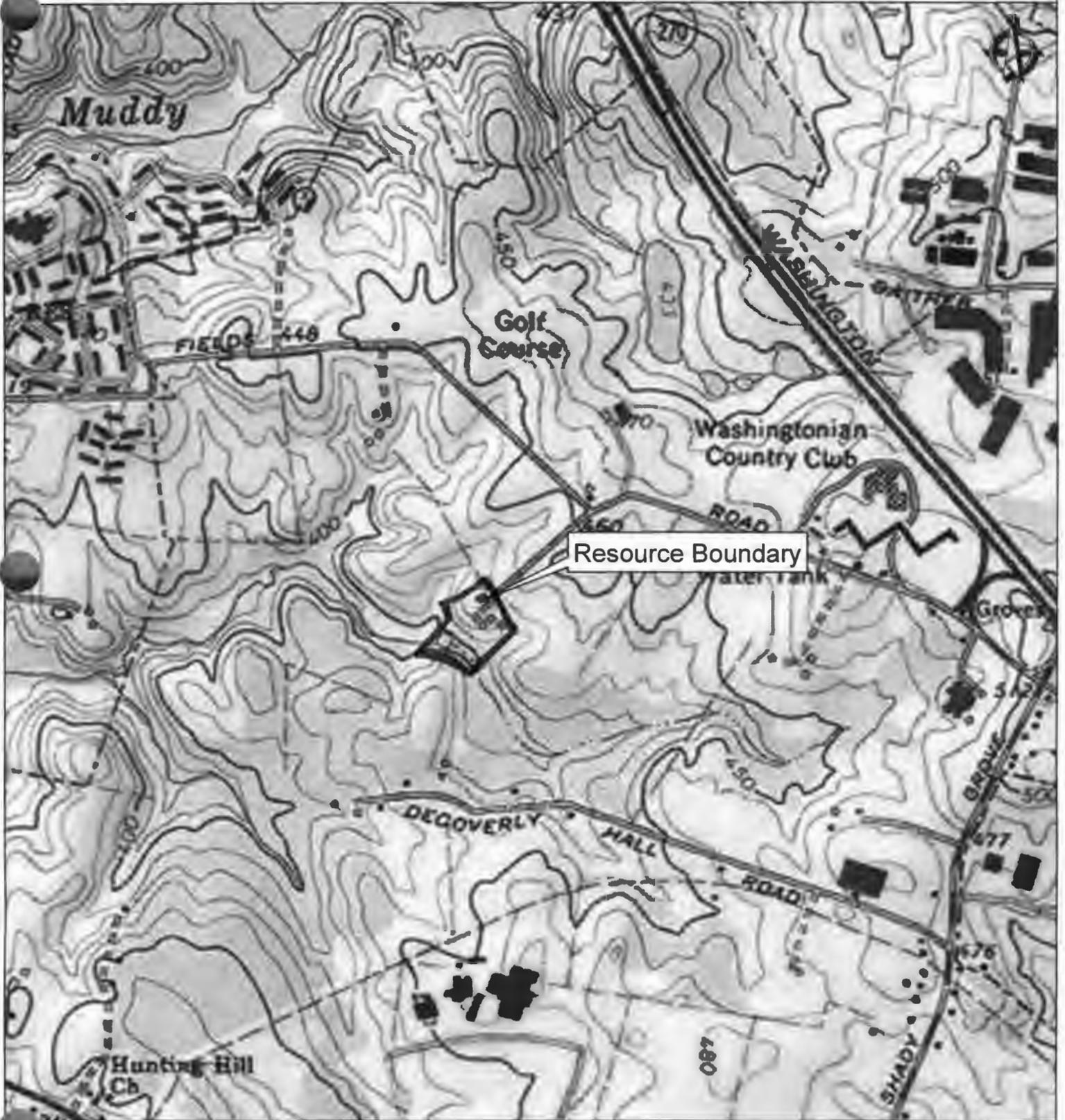


Sketch map of England/Crown Farm (From "England-Crown Farm Building Assessment" by Swanke Hayden Connell Architects)

Extant Elements	
A	Victorian farmhouse
B	Log house
C	Smoke house
G/1	Corrugated metal grain bin
J, J/1	Concrete block garage (and attached storage shed)
N, N/1 to N/3	Corn crib barn (and attached shed additions)
Northeast of R/1	Two silos

Demolished Elements	
C/1	Dog house
D	Office/storage shed
E/1, E/2	Shed/storage
F	Shed
G	Shed
H	Corn crib
I, I/2	Storage sheds
K	Storage shed
L	Storage shed
M	Cold storage/shed
O	Shed
P	Shed
Q, Q-1 to Q-4	Small barn (and adjacent shed and storage structures)
R/1	Dairy barn
R/2	Hay barn
R/3	Milk house
S	Fixed chute/cow holding structure

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Location Map



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Source: Gaithersburg USGS 7.5' DRG

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Resource Boundary

See Addendum for
Number References

Unnumbered Elements
have been Demolished



Site Plan



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Photo Log**MIHP# M: 20-17**

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605 Steinbeck Avenue

Gaithersburg, Montgomery County, Maryland

Photographer: Christeen Taniguchi

Date: January 11, 2013 and July 18, 2014

#	Digital Image File Name	Description of View
1	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_01.tif	<i>Victorian farmhouse</i> – view west at the façade
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3	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_03.tif	<i>Victorian farmhouse</i> – view northeast at the southwest (rear) elevation
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5	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_05.tif	<i>Victorian farmhouse</i> – view southwest at the front porch
6	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_06.tif	<i>Log house</i> – view west at the northeast and southeast elevations
7	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_07.tif	<i>Log house</i> – view east at the southwest and northwest elevations
8	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_08.tif	<i>Log house</i> – view north at interior walls
9	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_09.tif	<i>Log house</i> – view southwest at interior walls
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11	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_11.tif	<i>Smoke house</i> – view east at the southwest and northwest elevations
12	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_12.tif	<i>Corrugated metal grain bin</i> – view northwest
13	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_13.tif	<i>Concrete block garage with attached storage shed</i> – view north at the façade and southeast elevation
14	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_14.tif	<i>Concrete block garage with attached storage shed</i> – view south at the northeast (rear) and northwest elevations
15	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_15.tif	<i>Corn crib barn and attached shed addition</i> – view south at the façade
16	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_16.tif	<i>Corn crib barn and attached shed addition</i> – view north at the southwest (rear) and southeast elevations
17	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_17.tif	<i>Two silos</i> – view east
18	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_18.tif	<i>Farmstead</i> – view west
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22	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_22.tif	<i>Former farm fields</i> – view northeast along Decoverly Drive
23	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_23.tif	<i>Former farm fields</i> – view north from the farmstead
24	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_24.tif	<i>Former farm fields</i> – view east from the farmstead
25	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_25.tif	<i>Former farm fields</i> – view northeast along Decoverly Drive from near Steinbeck Avenue with new townhouses to the left and large fill pile in the background
26	M; 20-17_2014-07-18_26.tif	<i>Former farm fields</i> – view west along Decoverly Drive from near Fields Road with new townhouses to the right

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Victorian farmhouse - view west at the façade

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Victorian farmhouse - view northeast at the southwest
(rear) elevation

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elevation

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Victorian farmhouse - view southwest at the front
porch

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Smoke house - view west at the façade and southeast elevation

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Smoke house - view east at the southwest and
northwest elevations

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Concrete block garage with attached storage shed -
view north at the façade and southeast elevation

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Corn crib barn and attached shed addition - view
south at the façade

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Two silos - view east

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Farmstead - January 11, 2013 view west after the
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Former farm fields - view northwest toward Steinbeck
Avenue from Decoverly Drive

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Former farm fields - view northeast along DeCoverly
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Former farm fields - view north from the farmstead

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Former farm fields - view east from the farmstead

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Former farm fields - view northeast along DeCoverly Drive from near Steinbeck Avenue with new townhouses to the left and large fill pile in the background

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from near Fields Road with new townhouses to
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Property/District Name: England/Crown Farm Survey Number: M:20-17

Project: I-270/US 15 Multimodal Study, Montgomery and Frederick Co. Agency: SHA

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 England/Crown Farm at ⁹⁸⁰⁰192 Fields Road, in Montgomery County, is considered eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places .

The England/Crown Farm is an approximately 47-acre farm complex which includes a late 19th-century dwelling and several agricultural buildings and domestic outbuildings from the 19th and 20th centuries. The property is a well preserved farm complex which operated throughout its history as a dairy farm by the England, Garrett and Crown families. The dairy farming operations ceased in 1990 and the property may currently be under consideration for subdivision and development.

The main dwelling on the property is a two-story, five-bay frame dwelling with a two-story arched porch and built ca. 1894. The house is covered with a cross gable roof, clad with a stucco finish and is characterized by its ornate front porch, which includes intricate scroll sawn detail. The house has a central entry flanked by 2/2 windows; those on the first story are jib windows and open directly onto the porch. A single-story log dwelling which preceded the construction of the present dwelling on the site is located behind it. The log dwelling has a central door on one of its gable ends and a chimney on the opposite end. In one corner of the interior is a boxed stair leading to the loft level.

In addition to these domestic buildings, is a complex of dairy-related farm buildings. Several early 20th-century frame barns are clustered together along with a silo and attached sheds.

In 1982, the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission recommended this site for inclusion on the Master Plan because it is of significant value to the "cultural" memory" of Montgomery County and because it is an example of a culturally significant Victorian dwelling with an architecturally worthy log house. In addition, the Commission stated that the farm "possesses high artistic value" due to the intricate bracket work and cornice along its main facade.

The property is eligible for listing on the National Register under Criteria A and C. The property is an intact and cohesive example of a small-scale dairy farm complex. The owner's move from a small, one-room log dwelling to the substantial and stylish Victorian farm house provides insight into the evolution of farm life from the early to mid-19th century into the late 20th century, while the house itself is a well-preserved example of high Victorian vernacular building forms of the period.

Concurrence: Peter & Kurtz 9/24/96 

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; Subsistence/Agriculture/Dairy barn, silo, equipment sheds, other agricultural buildings

Known Design Source: _____

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: England/Crown Farm				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 192 Fields Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<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 (Specify) _____ _____ _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Mrs. Forrest Crown				
STREET AND NUMBER: 192 Fields Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site </div> </div>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The house is a two story, frame structure with a five bay, main (east) facade. The central entrance has transom and sidelights; the windows are 2/2 double hung sash. On the main facade, they extend down to the porch floor. The main facade has a central gable. The exterior is stuccoed. There is a porch across the entire facade.</p> <p>To the rear is a two story addition.</p> <p>Behind the house there is a log building that was here when the present house was built. It has a central doorway on the gable end and had a chimney on the opposite end. In one corner is a boxed staircase leading to a loft.</p>	

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1894

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The log house, which is earlier, was the Hunter House. The present building is the England House.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC DATE: 20 Aug 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated May 16, 1984

ACTION TAKEN

The architectural and historic significance of the Gaithersburg Vicinity resources identified on the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County were reviewed as part of this Master Plan. As a result of this evaluation, the Plan recommends the Master Plan for Historic Preservation be amended to include the following sites:

20/4 Nathan Dickerson Farm

- Excellent example of late Federal style frame farmhouse built around 1836.
- Associated with Nathan Dickerson, prominent citizen and two-time County Commissioner.

20/17 England/Crown Farm

- Victorian style structure with intricate bracket work and cornice along its main facade.
- Typical Maryland farmstead with log tenant house.

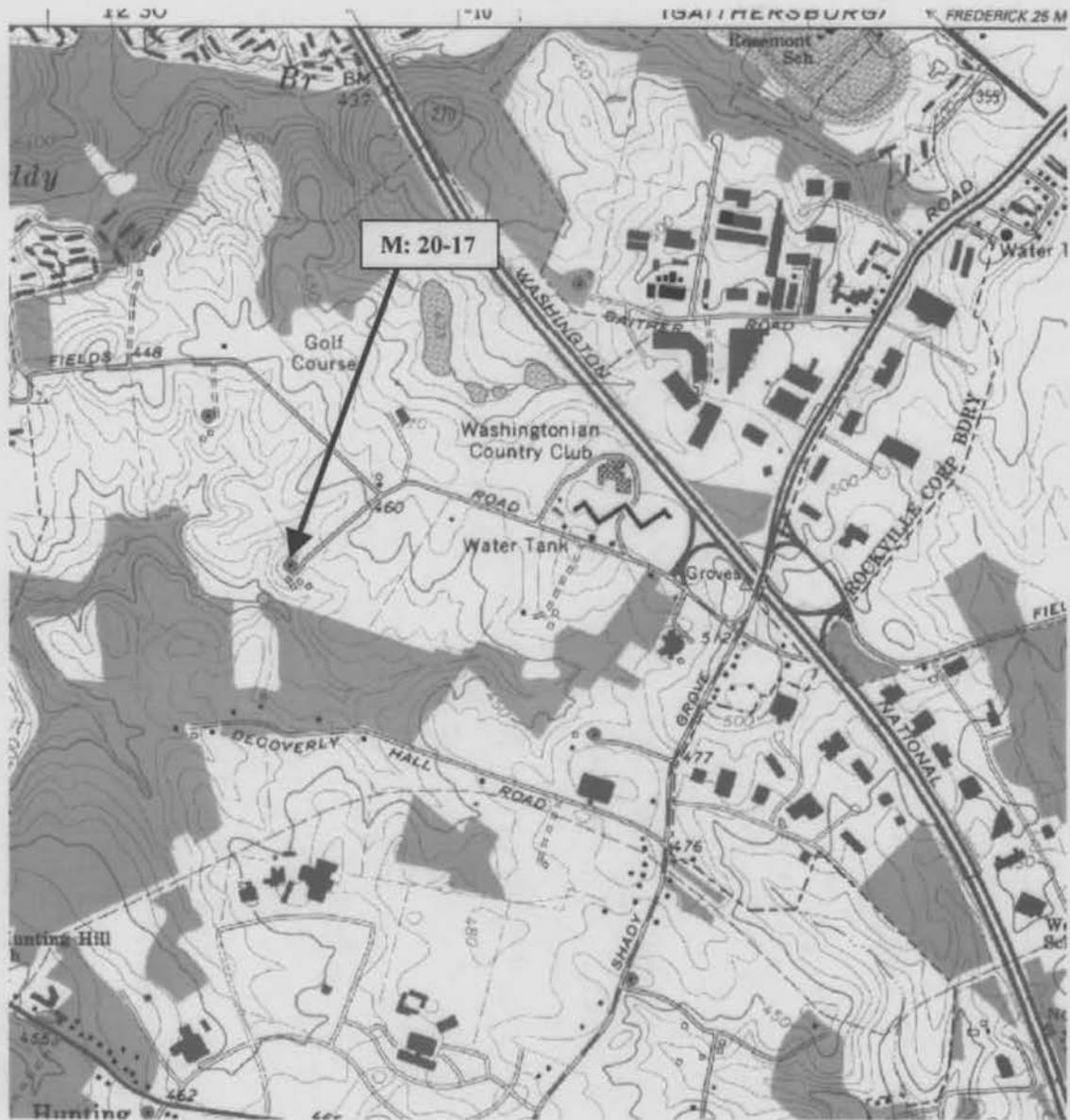
20/21 BELWARD FARM/WARD HOUSE

- 1891--SIGNIFICANT AS AN EXAMPLE OF A HIGH STYLE, LATE 19TH CENTURY FARMSTEAD.
- QUEEN ANNE HOUSE EXEMPLIFIES HIGH STYLE VICTORIAN ARCHITECTURE. THIS TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE FEATURES SHINGLED GABLES AND A TWO-STORY PORCH WITH TURNED POSTS.
- BUILT BY IGNATIUS B. WARD, FARMER, STOREKEEPER, AND POST-MASTER FOR HUNTING HILL.
- THE ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING INCLUDES THE QUEEN ANNE STYLE HOUSE, SOME REPRESENTATIVE OUTBUILDINGS, AND THE SIGNIFICANT SHADE TREES WHICH COMBINE TO DEFINE THE HISTORIC FARMSTEAD. THE SETTING ALSO INCLUDES THE TREE-LINED DRIVE IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE HISTORIC RELATIONSHIP OF THE FARMSTEAD TO THE ROAD. AT THE TIME OF DEVELOPMENT, SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN THE SITING OF STRUCTURES TO PROVIDE A VIEW OF THE HOUSE FROM MD 28.

20/28 St. Rose's Church and Cemetery

- Excellent example of 19th Century rural church incorporating significant

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England-Crown Farm
9800 Fields Road, Gaithersburg
Rockville Quadrangle





NAME EDQLAND - CROWN FARM

#20-17

LOCATION FIELDS RD., GAITHERSBURG, MD.

FACADE E

PHOTO TAKEN 8/20/74

M. DWYER



NAME ENGLAND / CROWN FARM - (LOG HOUSE) #20-17
LOCATION FIELDS Rd GAITHERSBURG, MD
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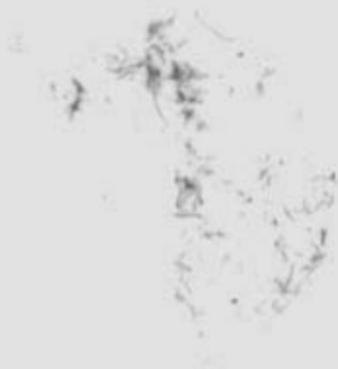


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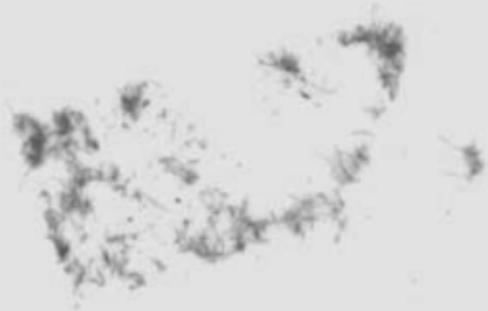


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