

Maryland Historical Trust
 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
 Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term Congestion Relief

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Redland School Property

and/or common Redland School/Claude B. Widerman Property

2. Location:

street & number 7249-7253 Muncaster Mill Road ___ not for publication

city, town Redland vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Montgomery

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 type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<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"/> other:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	

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

name Montgomery County/Claude B. Widerman

street & number 101 Monroe St./8905 Garfield Dr.

telephone no.:

city, town Rockville/Gaithersburg

state and zip code MD 20850/20879

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County

liber 8745/14246

street & number 50 Maryland Ave.

folio 33/415

city, town Rockville

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

Survey No. M:22-42 (PACS 9.1)

<u>Condition</u>		<u>Check one</u>	<u>Check one</u>	
<input 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 of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 2

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

The Redland School Property includes two circa 1925 buildings located on the northeast side of Muncaster Mill Road in the Redland vicinity of Montgomery County. Building One, at 7249 Muncaster Mill Road, is a 1-story, 4-bay school building with a side-gable roof. Building Two, at 7253 Muncaster Mill Road, is a 1-story, 3-bay residential building with a front-gable roof and additions on the south and east elevations.

Building One (7249 Muncaster Mill Road) has a concrete foundation, vinyl siding on the exterior walls, and a standing-seam metal roof. The roof currently has a boxed cornice, however original exposed rafter ends are visible beneath a decaying section on the southeast corner. The north, west and south elevations have modern, 6/6 double-hung windows. The east elevation has original 2/2 double-hung windows.

On the west, or front elevation, entry occurs in the second bay from the south. The modern door has a plain surround. Four brick stairs lead to the entry. South of the door is a plate glass window flanked by two 6/6 double-hung windows. North of the door are two sets of paired, 6/6 double-hung windows. The windows on this elevation have modern, louvered shutters.

On the north elevation, the western bay has an entry with a modern door and five brick steps. A single window is located in the eastern bay. The east elevation has four evenly spaced 2/2 double-hung windows. A brick chimney stands in the northeast corner. The south elevation has two symmetrically placed 6/6 double-hung windows with louvered shutters. Concrete steps accessing the basement are located in the southwest corner.

Many of the exterior materials on this building have been replaced. The foundation has been parged, vinyl siding has been added to the walls, the windows on three elevations have been replaced, and the cornice has been enclosed. The fenestration on the west elevation has also been altered to accommodate paired and triple modern windows.

Building Two (7253 Muncaster Mill Road) has a concrete block foundation, asbestos siding on the exterior walls and an asphalt-shingle roof. The main block of the building has a front-gable roof with a hipped-roof front porch. A side-gable wing extends to the south and two shed additions are located on the east. All of the eaves have exposed rafter ends. This building has 6/1 double-hung windows.

On the west, or front elevation, the off-center entry has a modern door with a plain surround. A window is located on each side of the door. The hipped-roof porch over these three bays has plain, square posts and a simple balustrade. The porch floor extends across the north bay of the side-gable wing. An additional entry, sheltered by a small shed hood, is located in this bay. South of this entry is another window.

The south elevation has three symmetrically-placed windows. The window in the center bay is slightly smaller than the other two. A 6-light fixed-sash window is visible on a rear shed addition. On the east elevation, a shed addition covers the three bays of the main block. The addition is open over the southern bay and has an 8-light, fixed-sash window over the northern

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bays. A second shed addition covers the side-gable wing. This addition has a modern door in the southern bay. The south elevation has a single window in the western bay and paired windows in the eastern bay.

This building has two minor additions on the east elevation and a major addition on the south elevation. Also, asbestos shingles have been added to the exterior walls, and the original roof material has been replaced.

The Redland School Property is located on the northeast side of Muncaster Mill Road, north of its intersection with Redland Road and south of its intersection with Shady Grove Avenue. The lot is sloping and grassy with several large trees between the buildings and Muncaster Mill Road. A wooded area lies east of the buildings. The properties are currently held separately and have their own driveways. Building One has a semicircular driveway in front of the building. Building Two has a driveway to the north of the building. The property was formerly on the outskirts of a rural village, but is now surrounded by suburban residential development.

8. Significance

Survey No. M:22-42 (PACS 9.1)

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archaeology-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 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"/> communication	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates Circa 1925

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

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

The Redland School Property was purchased by the Montgomery County Board of Education from Robert Farmer in an unrecorded deed dated 1921. The County constructed the buildings shortly thereafter and opened the school to white students in the Redland community. By the year 1939-1940, the school housed forty students in grades one through six (Clarke and Brown 1978, 65). Building One, at 7249 Muncaster Mill Road was used as the school building. The function of Building Two, at 7253 Muncaster Mill Road, is uncertain, although. The Redland School closed in the early 1950s during a period of school consolidation in Montgomery County. The property was sold to Dorothea B. Green in 1952 and passed through several owners in the late twentieth century. Claude B. Widerman bought the property in 1976 and sold the building at 7249 Muncaster Mill Road (Building One) to Montgomery County in 1989. Widerman continues to own the building at 7253 Muncaster Mill Road (Building Two). Both buildings are currently used as residences.

The late-nineteenth century crossroads of Redland, which included its own store, post office and blacksmith shop grew as a community with the completion of the Metropolitan Branch of the B & O Railroad. The railroad extended through Derwood, 3.21 kilometers (2 miles) west of Redland. By 1889, a second railroad station was constructed in Derwood, replacing an earlier "waiting shed," which served as a commuter stop, as well as a freight and baggage station. The station also had an office for handling agricultural and dairy products, in support of the local agricultural industry.

The majority of the housing in Redland was built in the late-nineteenth century and the community grew to include the post office, blacksmith shop and store, although the primary occupation of the area remained farming. In 1890, the crossroads had a church and public school and a population of fifty residents.

From the beginning of the eighteenth century to the middle of the twentieth century, public schools in rural America were invariably 1-room schools. If population increased in a rural area, however, two 1-room buildings could be joined together to form a larger building and then separated if the population began to decline. The level of funding provided by an area had a great impact on the kind of schools that its residents constructed (Gulliford 1991, 35-45).

The most recognizable form of rural school building is a front-gable structure with a 3-bay facade and three windows symmetrically arranged along each side. Such schools commonly had a bell tower located close to the front of the building and a chimney placed at the back of the

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roof. Most schools also had either a partial shed roof porch supported by wooden posts, or an enclosed entry porch. In most school buildings, the depth exceeded the width. In poorer areas, schools were simple structures, often with a side-gable roof and constructed of timber with board and batten siding. These schools usually had only one window in the front and one on each side. The first decades of the twentieth century saw large-scale school district consolidations all across the country brought on by the advent of improved roads and school buses. Today, fewer than one percent of one-room schools are still in use (Gulliford 1991, 35-45).

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1925, the Redland School Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is associated with the education system in Montgomery County, however it no longer has sufficient integrity to convey its history as a school building. Better examples of school properties, including the Smithville School and the Montrose School, exist within the project area. The Redland School Property is therefore not eligible under Criterion A. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C due to a loss of integrity. Almost all exterior materials on the building at 7249 Muncaster Mill Road (Building One), have been replaced. The interior of the building was also heavily altered during conversion to a residence. The building at 7253 Muncaster Mill Road has several additions of varying dates. The exterior siding and roofing materials on this building have also been replaced. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended _____	Eligibility Not Recommended <u>XX</u>
Comments _____	

Reviewer, OPS: <u>Alfred</u>	Date: <u>5/2/99</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>BKNTY</u>	Date: <u>8/3/99</u>

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9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. M:22-42 (PACS 9.1)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Gaithersburg, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

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date May 1998

street & number 40 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 412

telephone (410) 296-1635

city or town Baltimore

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.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
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100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
(410) 514-7600

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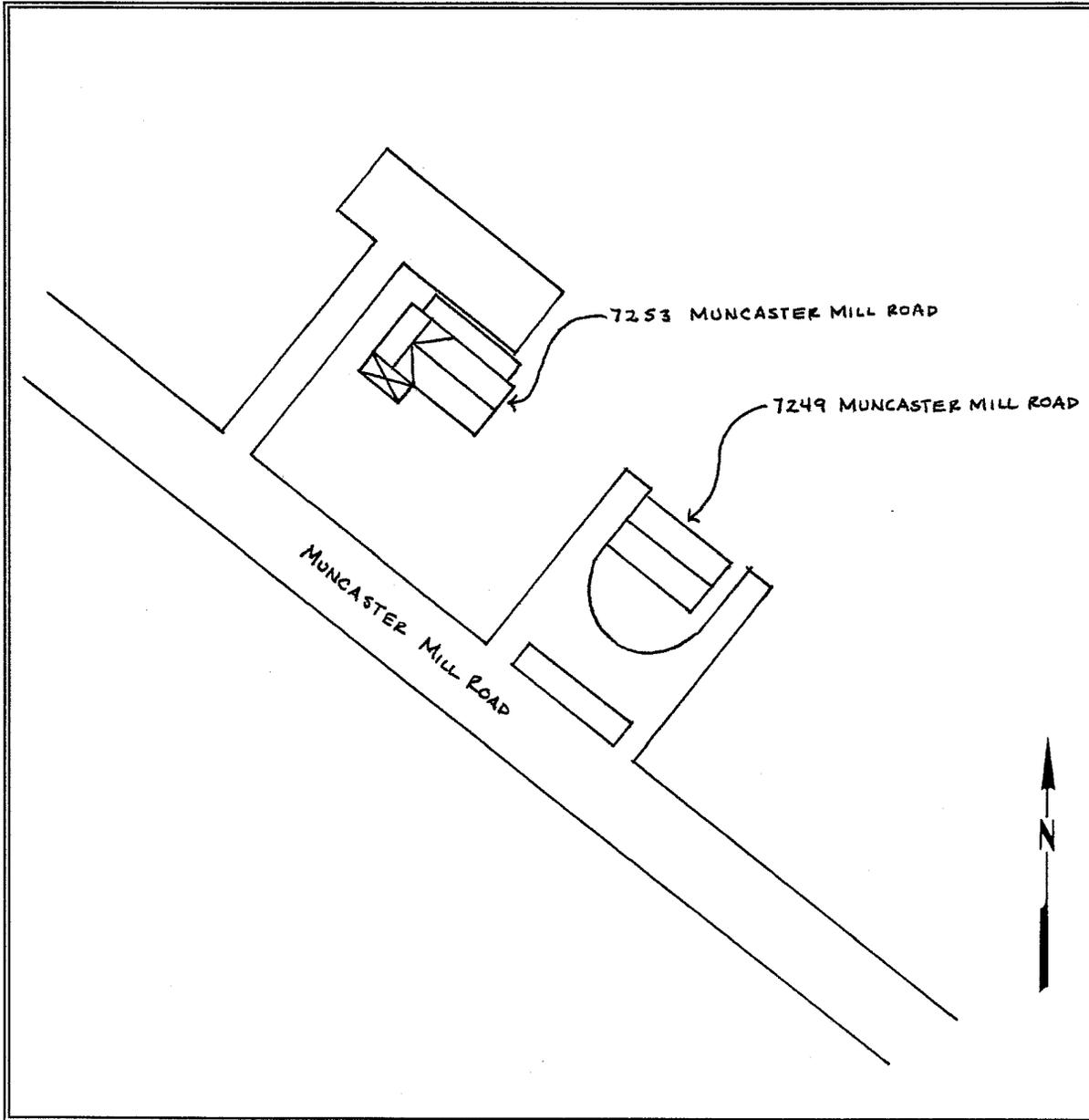
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture
Education

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

School

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

Preparer
P.A.C. Spero & Company
May 1998

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Town/County Redland vicinity/Montgomery
Quad Gaithersburg, MD
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MONTGOMERY
VILLAGE

Cabin Branch
Park

Montgomery County
Airpark

Strawberry Knoll
Park

ROCK CREEK
PARK

GAITHERSBURG

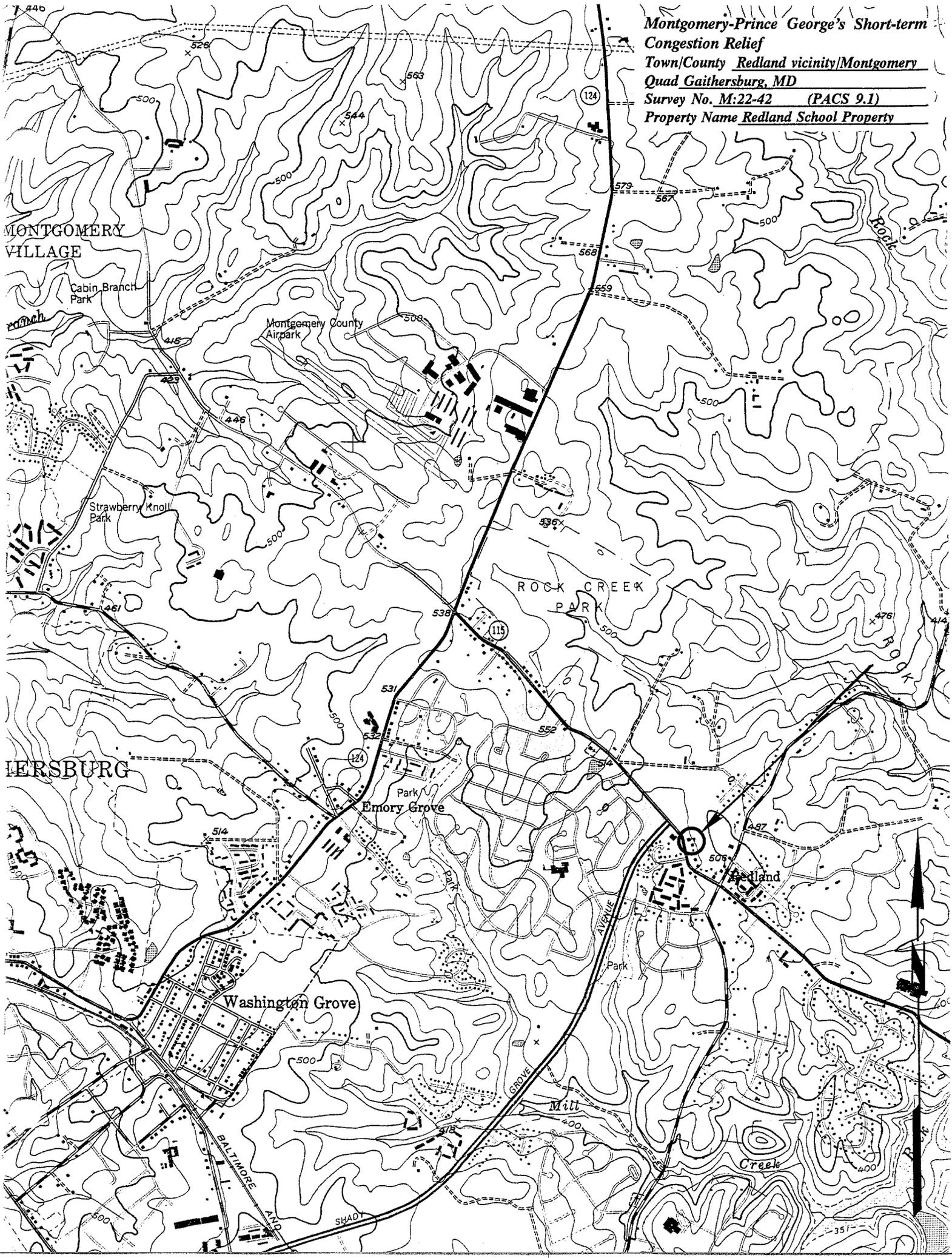
Emory Grove

Redland

Washington Grove

Mill

Creek



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST ABRIDGED INVENTORY FORM
INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR PROJECT

Property Name: Claude Widerman House
Survey No.: PACS A8 15 M: 22-42

Resource Summary:

Property Address 7253 Muncaster Mill Road, Redland vicinity, Montgomery County, Maryland
Historic/Current Function Dwelling/Dwelling Year Built circa 1920

Property is not individually eligible for National Register because:

- It is less than 50 years old and does not meet N.R. Exception G
 It is an undistinguished example of a common building type or architectural style
 Its integrity is compromised by alterations or deterioration
 Its historic setting has been compromised by development
 Other (explain): _____

Description:

The Claude Widerman House is a 1½-story, 3-bay gable-front-and-wing cottage on the north side of Muncaster Mill Road in the Redland vicinity, Montgomery County. Constructed circa 1920, the structure has a 1-story, ½-width, hipped roof porch on the front elevation and a 1-story shed roof addition on the rear elevation.

The structure has an asphalt shingle roof with exposed rafters and it has two brick chimneys; one in the front-gable section and one in the wing. It is of wood-frame construction with asbestos siding and it has a concrete foundation. The windows are 6/1 wood sash. The front porch has a wood railing, wood posts and a wood floor, and brick steps lead from grade to the porch.

There are no outbuildings associated with this building.

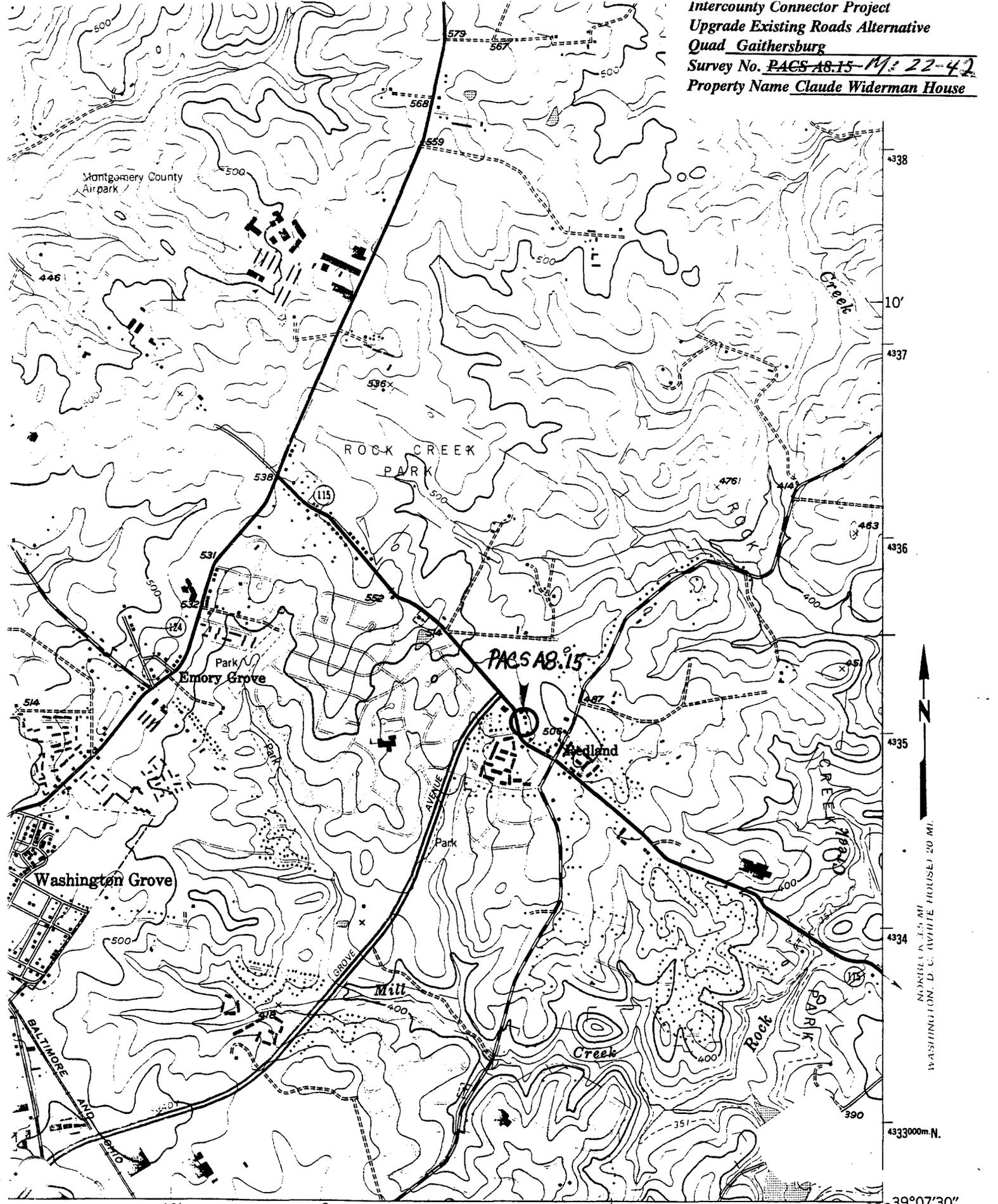
The property is located on the north side of Muncaster Mill Road, with residential property to the east and the intersection of Muncaster Mill Road and Shady Grove Road/Airpark Road to the east and south. The property's setting is commercial, due to the development of the area as primarily a commercial center, and the growth of the adjacent intersection.

MHT CONCURRENCE:			
Eligibility	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommended	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not recommended	
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 <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: _____			
E. Hannold/K. Williams		11/25/1996	<i>[Signature]</i> 1/7/02
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services		Date	Reviewer, NR Program Date

Preparer:
P.A.C. Spero & Company
December 1996



Intercounty Connector Project
Upgrade Existing Roads Alternative
Quad Gaithersburg
 Survey No. PACS A8.15-M: 22-42
 Property Name Claude Wideman House





1. ~~PACS 48.15~~ M:22-42
2. Claude W. derman House
3. Montgomery
4. Caroline Hall
5. July 1996
6. P.A.C. Spero & Company, 40 W. Chesapeake
Ave, Suite 412, Towson MD 21204
7. 7253 Muncaster Mill Rd, south & west
elevations
8. 1053



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7. 7253 Muncoaster Mill Rd north & west
elevations
8. 2 of 3



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3. Montgomery
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5. July 1996
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2 Real and School Property

3 Montgomery Co. Md.

4 Public District

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6 Md SAPO

7 72419 Front St.

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2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 Julius Danvers

5 5/98

6 Md 2090

7 7247 Manchester Mill, Front elev

8 2 of 16



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2 Redd and School

3 Montgomery & Md

4 Quaker Dances

5 5198

6 Md SHPO

7 7294 Manassas Mill, NW corner

8 3 of 16



1 M. 27-42

2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co. Md.

4 Julie Dancer

5 5/90

6 Md. SHPO

7 7249 Muncaster Mill, NE corner

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- 1 M:27-42
- 2 Redland School
- 3 Montgomery Co. Md.
- 4 Julie Dasso
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md 8110
- 7 7249 Muncks Mill, E. elevation
- 8 5/7/15



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- 2 Redland School
- 3 Montgomery Co. Md
- 4 Julie Darsie
- 5 5/98
- 6 Ald SHPO
- 7 7249 Manchester Mill, SE corner of 1250...
- 8 6 of 16



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2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co. Md.

4 Julie Vassio

5 5/98

6 Old SPP

7 7249 Manchester Mill, S. Ala.

8 7 of 16



1 M. 22-42

2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co Md.

4 Julie Darsce

5 5/98

6 Md StH's

7 7249 Muncaster Hill, SW corner

8 8-3-16



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- 2 Redland School
- 3 Montgomery Co Md
- 4 Julius Darsie
- 5 5/98
- 6 MD AIPC
- 7 Roof detail
- 8 9 of 16



1 M: 22-42

2 Redland School

3 Montgomery 2 Md

4 Julie Davis

5 5/29

6 Md SF420

7 7253 Munroe St. Mill, Front elev.

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2 Redland School Project

3 Montgomery Co. Md.

4 Julie Daise

5 5/99

6 Md. Se PO

7 7253 Muncaster Hill, NW corner

8 11/16



- 1 11/22/01
- 2 Ledland School Property
- 3 Montgomery Co. Md.
- 4 Julie Davari
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md SHPO
- 7 725 E Manchester Mill, N Elev
- 8 12 of 16



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2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co Md

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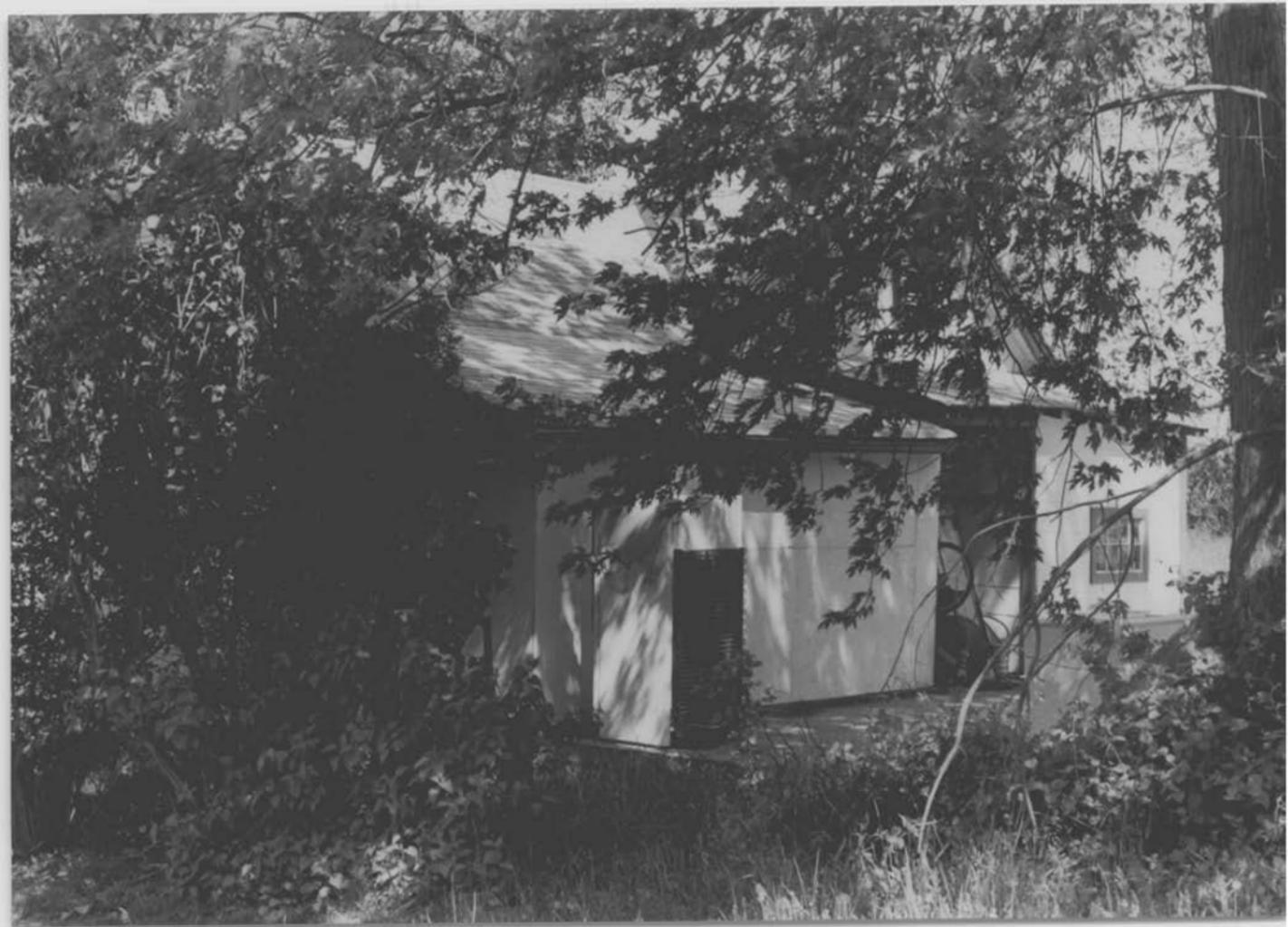
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2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 John Lewis

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6 Md SHPS

7 7253 Manchester Mill, SE corner

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2 Redland School

3 Montgomery Co. Md

4 Julie Davis

5 5/25

6 Md 84120

7 7253 Munroe Mill, SW corner

8 16 of 16