

Memo to file

December 30, 2003

From: Peter E. Kurtze
Administrator, Evaluation and Registration

Re: M: 28-53
Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property

The property documented in the following MIHP form has not been formally evaluated for eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The comments in the text are those of the preparer of the documentation. The State Historic Preservation Officer has neither concurred nor disagreed with those comments.

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: M:28-53 (PACS 3.8) Construction Date: Circa 1940

Name: Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property

Location: 509 Notley Road, Colesville vicinity, Montgomery County

Private/Private Residence/Occupied/Good/Restricted

Description:

The Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property consists of a 1½-story, 3-bay residence and a 1-story, 1-bay workshop located on the south side of Notley Road near Colesville, Montgomery County. The circa 1940 residence has an irregular shape with a garage on the west end and a rear wing with a porch extending to the south.

Significance:

The Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property occupies Lot Number 2 in Block Number 3 of the Paint Branch Farms subdivision. This subdivision was laid out in 1937 on lands owned by Nellie Jenkins of Washington D.C. The 0.4 hectare (0.98 acre) lot was acquired by Harry C. Hansen on September 17, 1938. Hanson sold the lot to Woods Tomkins on January 19, 1939, who sold it to Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel on June 5, 1939. The lot came with multiple restrictions, including a minimum 23 meter (75 foot) building setback, a minimum building cost of \$6000, and a clause forbidding construction of multi-family dwellings. The restrictions also forbade sale or lease of the land to persons of "Negro" or "Semitic" ancestry and were to be enforced for a period of 50 years beginning May 1, 1937. Adelaide and Arthur Bechtel constructed the circa 1940 residence on the lot, then sold the property to Edwin E. and Helen M. Greigg on November 23, 1943. The Greiggs are the current owners of the property.

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 Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property (preferred)

and/or common Edwin E. and Helen M. Greigg Property

2. Location:

street & number 509 Notley Road ___ not for publication

city, town Colesville 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 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"/> 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 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 Edwin E. and Helen M. Greigg

street & number 509 Notley Road telephone no.:

city, town Silver Spring state and zip code MD 20904

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County Liber 930

street & number 50 Maryland Avenue folio 111

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:28-53 (PACS 3.8)

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input 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 Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property consists of a 1½-story, 3-bay residence and a 1-story, 1-bay workshop located on the south side of Notley Road near Colesville, Montgomery County. The circa 1940 residence has an irregular shape with an attached garage on the west end and a rear wing with a porch extending to the south.

The house has a brick foundation, brick and wood weatherboard walls and a wood-shake, side-gable roof. Hipped dormers, hipped-roof wings and cross-gabled wings interrupt the roof line. A corbelled chimney is located in the center of the main block. The house has several types of windows. Double, 6-light casement windows appear most frequently.

On the front, or north elevation, the brick main block is three bays wide. On the first story, the eastern bay is recessed and has double, 10-light casement windows. The main entry is located in the center bay, with a paneled door flanked by fluted pilasters. A small, 4-light, fixed sash window is located immediately west of the door. The western bay has triple, 8-light casement windows. Three hipped dormers with double, 6-light casement windows are located on the second story. West of the main block is a 2-bay, frame wing with a lower roof line than the main block. Each bay has double, 6-light casement windows. West of the frame wing is a 1-bay frame garage with a hipped roof. The garage has a single, 6-light casement window on the first story and a gablet at the peak of the roof.

On the east elevation, the first story of the main block has a projecting bay window with a hipped roof and 10-light, casement windows. A triple window with 4-light fixed sashes is located on the frame second story. On the rear wing to the south, a 1-bay porch occupies the first story. A hipped wall dormer with double, 6-light casement windows is located on the frame second story.

On the south elevation, the east bay of the main block has French doors on the first story and a hipped wall dormer with double, 6-light casement windows on the second story. A 1-bay, 1½-story rear wing with a hipped roof projects from the center bay of the main block. The wing has a porch on the first story and a hipped wall dormer with double, 6-light casement windows on the second story. On the west bay of the main block, the first story is covered by a 1-bay, 1-story brick extension with a hipped roof. The second story has a hipped wall dormer with double, 6-light casement windows. The frame wing to the west of the main block has double, 6-light casement windows in each bay of the first story. A 1-bay frame addition with a side-gable roof is located on the second story above the eastern bay of this wing. A 1-bay, 1-story frame extension with a cross-gabled roof projects from the center of the garage.

On the west elevation, the 1-bay garage has a modern garage door on the first story and a tall, hipped dormer with double, batten doors projecting from the roof. The frame extension to the south of the garage has a batten door with strap hinges. The main block has double, 6-light casement windows in the southern end of the first story and two single, 4-light, fixed-sash windows symmetrically arranged on the second story. The brick extension to the south has a half-glass door in the north bay and double, 6-light casement windows in the south bay. A hipped wall dormer with double, 6-light casement windows is located on the second story of the rear wing.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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STATE HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM

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7. Description (Continued)

The house features some elements of the French Eclectic style. These include a steeply-pitched, complex roof, contrasting wall materials, narrow casement windows, wall dormers and classical ornamentation around the entry. The frame wing and garage on the west end of the house are an addition, and the roof material is modern.

A 1-story, 1-bay, concrete block workshop is located southwest of the house. The circa 1940 shop has a front-gable, asphalt shingle roof. The east, or front elevation of the shop has a batten door beneath a 2-light, fixed-sash window. The south elevation has two open bays on the east and a 2-light, fixed sash window on the west. The west elevation has a 2-light, fixed sash window beneath a batten door leading to a loft area. The north elevation has three, 2-light, fixed sash windows.

The Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property is located on the south side of Notley Road on a large landscaped lot. The current owners also own the open field to the west of the property. The property's setting is suburban with commercial development to the south around the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and Randolph Road.

8. Significance

Survey No. M:28-53 (PACS 9.2)

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communication	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

Specific dates Circa 1940

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.

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The property is located near a community known as Colesville. Colesville developed from a cross-roads community at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue (Annapolis Road) and Randolph Road (Old Annapolis Road) in eastern Montgomery County. The first documented use of the name "Coalsville" was in 1804, in reference to an approximately 1 hectare (2.75 acre) parcel at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and Notley Road, just north of the intersection mentioned above. By 1837 the center of the community had shifted to the southern intersection, and in 1844, a network of private roads running west to east, were made public and became known as Randolph Road. In 1851, the town had a post office, a hotel, two stores and at least one tavern. In the twentieth century, Colesville is located in the growing suburban Silver Spring and Rockville region. Several of the areas farms have been developed into residential subdivisions and modern commercial businesses have moved into the area (Bayley 1986, 1-7 passim).

The Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel property draws from the French Eclectic style. The French Eclectic style emerged after World War I and was based on French dwellings of the Renaissance era. French Eclectic dwellings are often symmetrical with wings to the side. They typically have steeply-pitched hipped or side-gable roofs, often with wall dormers. Casement windows are common, as are classically-inspired details around the main entrance. French eclectic dwellings were popular in suburbs of the 1920s and 1930s but faded in popularity after 1940 (McAlester and McAlester 1984, 387-388).

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8. Significance

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1940, the Adelaide S. and Arthur W. Bechtel Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. 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, as it is not an outstanding example of French Eclectic architecture. Architectural details on this house are simple and few, and additions to the west end of the house have compromised its integrity. 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 _____
Comments _____

Reviewer, OPS: _____ Date: _____
Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. M:28-53 (PACS 3.8)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Kensington, 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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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.

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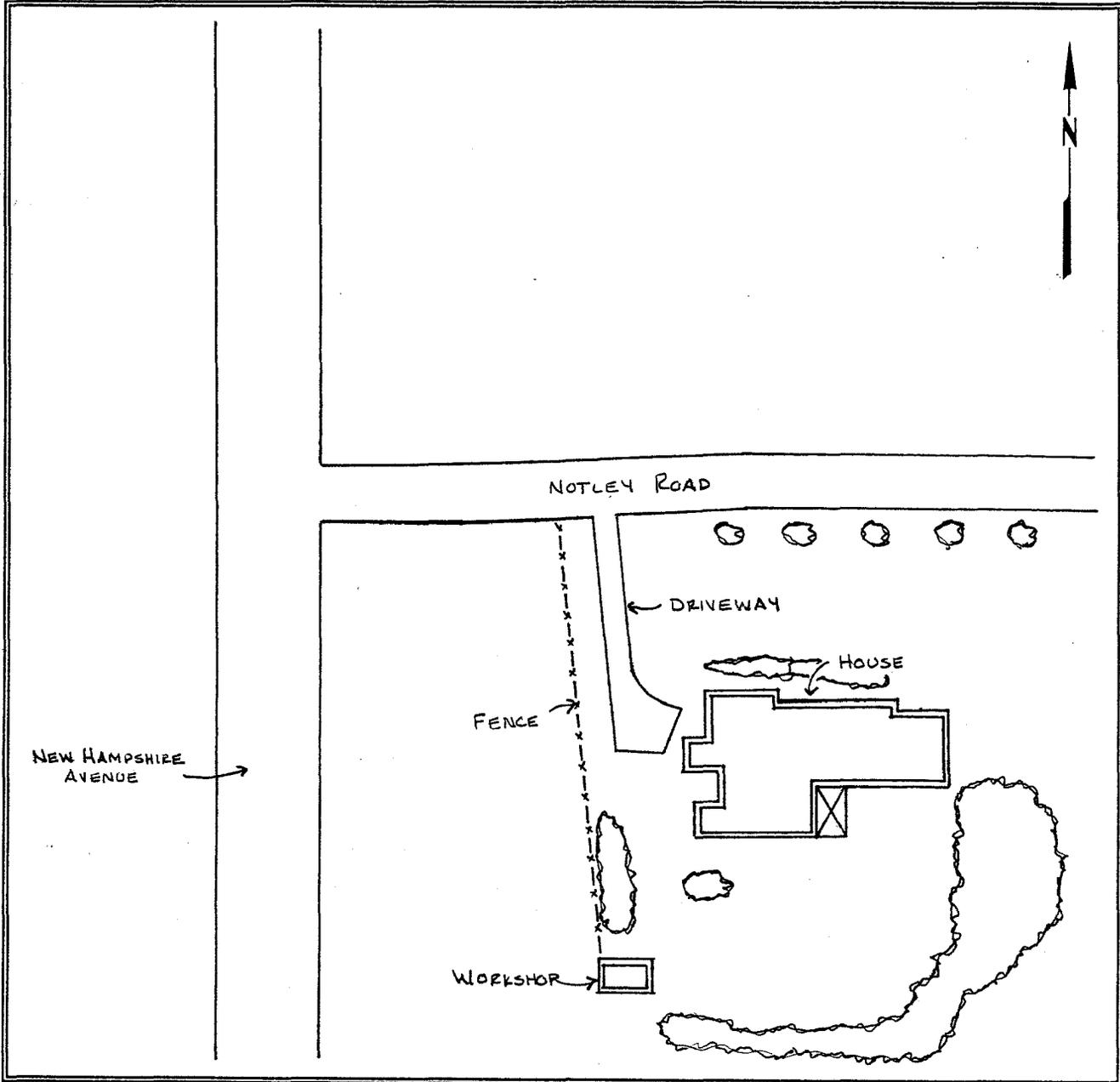
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

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):

Modern A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Buildings

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

Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

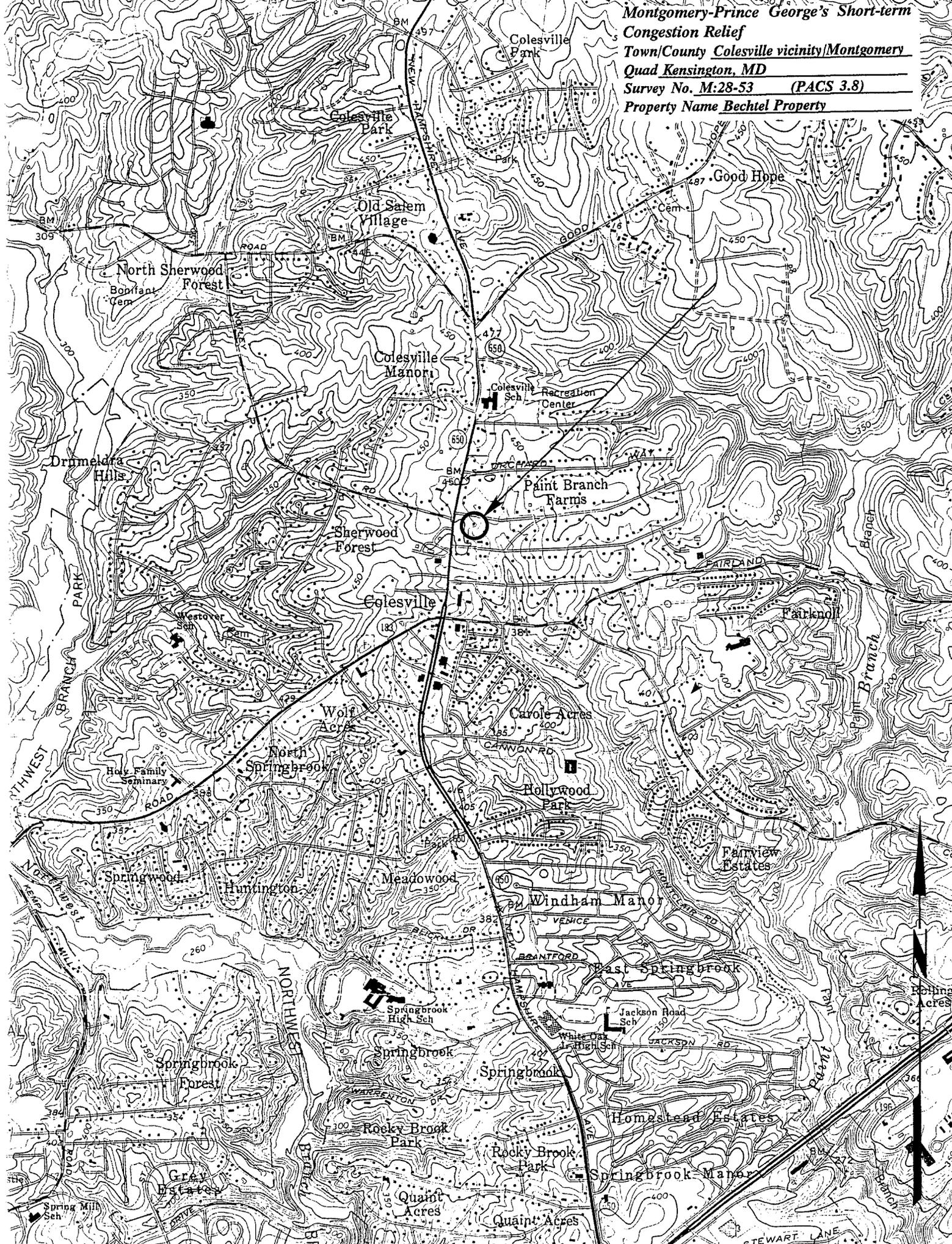
Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

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

Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term
Congestion Relief
Town/County Colesville vicinity/Montgomery
Quad Kensington, MD
Survey No. M:28-53 (PACS 3.8)
Property Name Bechtel Property





- 1 M:28-53
- 2 Adelaide + Arthur Bechtel Property
- 3 Montgomery Co
- 4 Julie Daise
- 5 5/98
- 6 MID SHPO
- 7 Front / E. Elevation
- 8 1 of 10



- 1 M: 28-53
- 2 Adelaide + Arthur Bechtel Property
- 3 Montgomery Co, Md
- 4 Julie Danne
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md EHPD
- 7 NE corner
- 8 2 of 10

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- 1 M:28-53
- 2 Adelaide + Arthur Beckell Property
- 3 Montgomery Co, Md
- 4 Julia Danice
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md E 470
- 7 E elevator
- 8 3 of 10



1 M. 28-53

2 Adelaide & Arthur Beattell Property

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 Julie Dancer

5 5/97

6 Md E HRS

7 SE CORNER

8 4 of 10

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1 M 28-53

2 Adelaide + Arthur Bechtel Property

3 Montgomery Co. Md

4 Julie Davis

5 5/98

6 MASHO

7 W elevation

8 7 of 10

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- 1 M:28-53
- 2 Adelaide + Arthur Bechtel Property
- 3 Montgomery Co, MD
- 4 Julie Duvic.
- 5 5/98
- 6 Mid SHPO
- 7 NW corner
- 8 8 of 10

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1 M:28-53

2 Adelaide & Arthur Bechtel Property

3 Montgomery Co, Md

4 Julie Dreesce

5 5/98

6 Md SHM/C

7 Shop

8 9 of 10

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1 M. 28-53

2 Adelaide & Arthur Bechtel Property -

3 Montgomery Co, Md

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STANLEY WOODS