

Property Address <u>12500 Old Columbia Pike, Fairland, Montgomery County, Maryland</u>
Owner Name/Address <u>Edgar T., Jr. and C.T. Conley, 12500 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904</u>
Year Built <u>circa 1910</u>

**Description:**

The Conley House/Green Ridge, constructed circa 1910, was previously surveyed by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission in August 1975. The property has not been altered since the previous survey. There are three extant outbuildings that were not mentioned in the previous survey. The first outbuilding is a stable with a corrugated metal, gable roof. Constructed circa 1920, the stable is of wood frame construction and is located west of the house. The second outbuilding is a stable with a corrugated metal, gable roof. Constructed circa 1920, the stable is of wood frame construction and is located northeast of the house and the first stable. The third outbuilding is a storage shed with an asphalt shingle, gambrel roof. Constructed circa 1980, it is of wood frame construction and is located west of the house, northeast of the first stable and southwest of the second stable.

**National Register Evaluation:**

The Conley House/Green Ridge, constructed circa 1910, was determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a component of the US 29 study conducted by the State Highway Administration. The property is eligible under Criterion C, as a representative example of an early twentieth century Classical Revival house. The property has not been significantly altered and it retains character defining features of the style, such as a 2-story, pedimented portico and a Palladian-style front door. The period of significance for the property extends from circa 1910 to 1946. 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. Finally, it has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, does not meet Criterion D.

**Verbal boundary description and justification:**

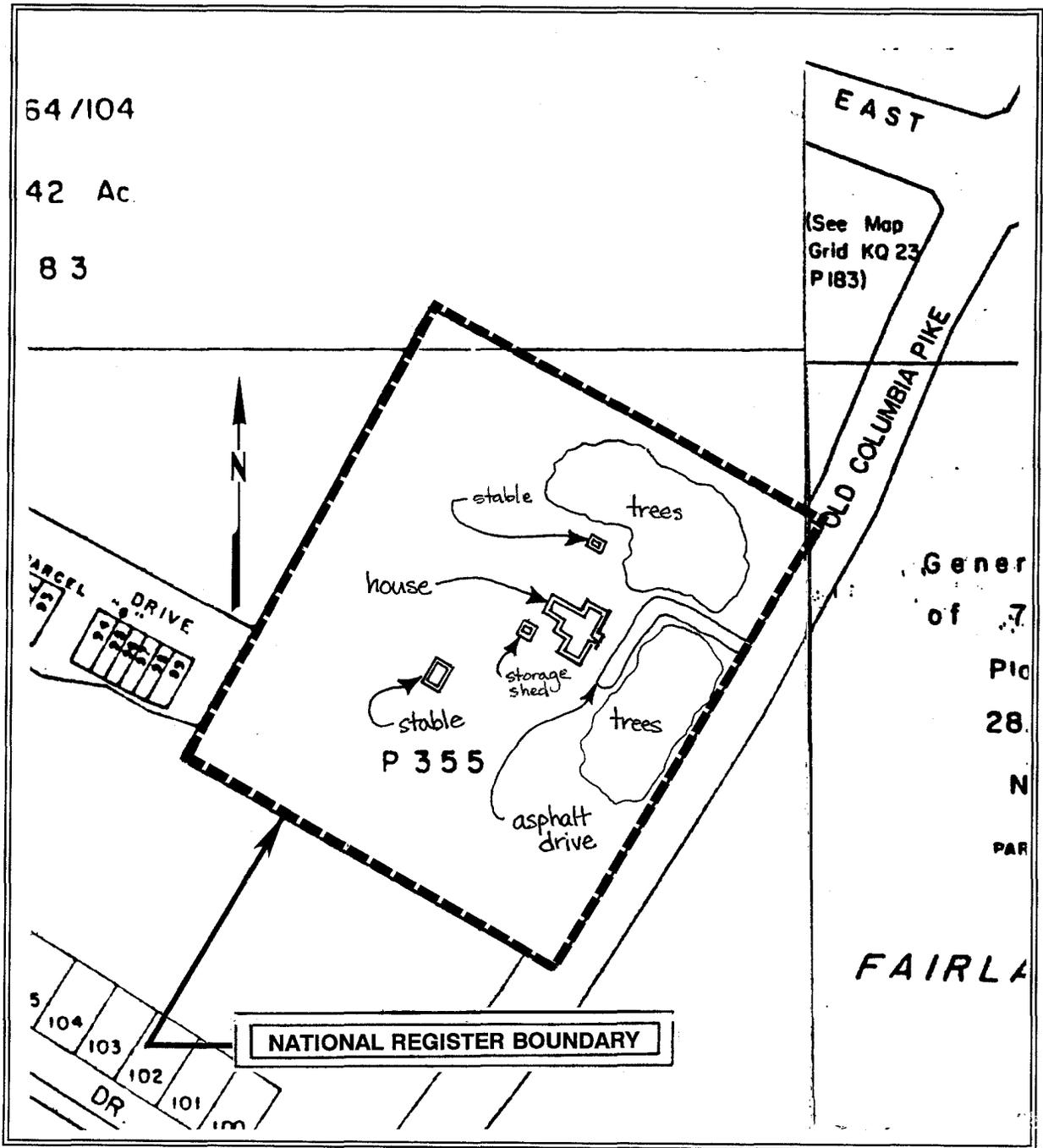
The National Register boundaries of the Conley House/Green Ridge follow the current property lines of 12500 Old Columbia Pike (Tax Map KQ123, Parcel P355). This 3.32 hectare (8.2 acre) parcel is bounded on three sides by adjacent tax parcels, and on the east by Old Columbia Pike. Structures within the boundary which contribute to the significance of the property include the main house and two stables. One non-contributing structure, a storage shed, is located within the proposed boundary. According to research, the original property contained approximately 245 hectares (600 acres), which has been reduced over time to 3.32 hectares (8.2 acres). The current parcel retains the rural character of the property, with more recent development not visible due to vegetation obstruction and natural topography.

<b>MHT CONCURRENCE:</b>		
Eligibility	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> recommended	<input type="checkbox"/> not recommended
Criteria	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" 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: _____		
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E. Hannold/K. Williams	11/25/1996	<i>B. Kuntze</i> 6/13/03
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date	Reviewer, NR program Date

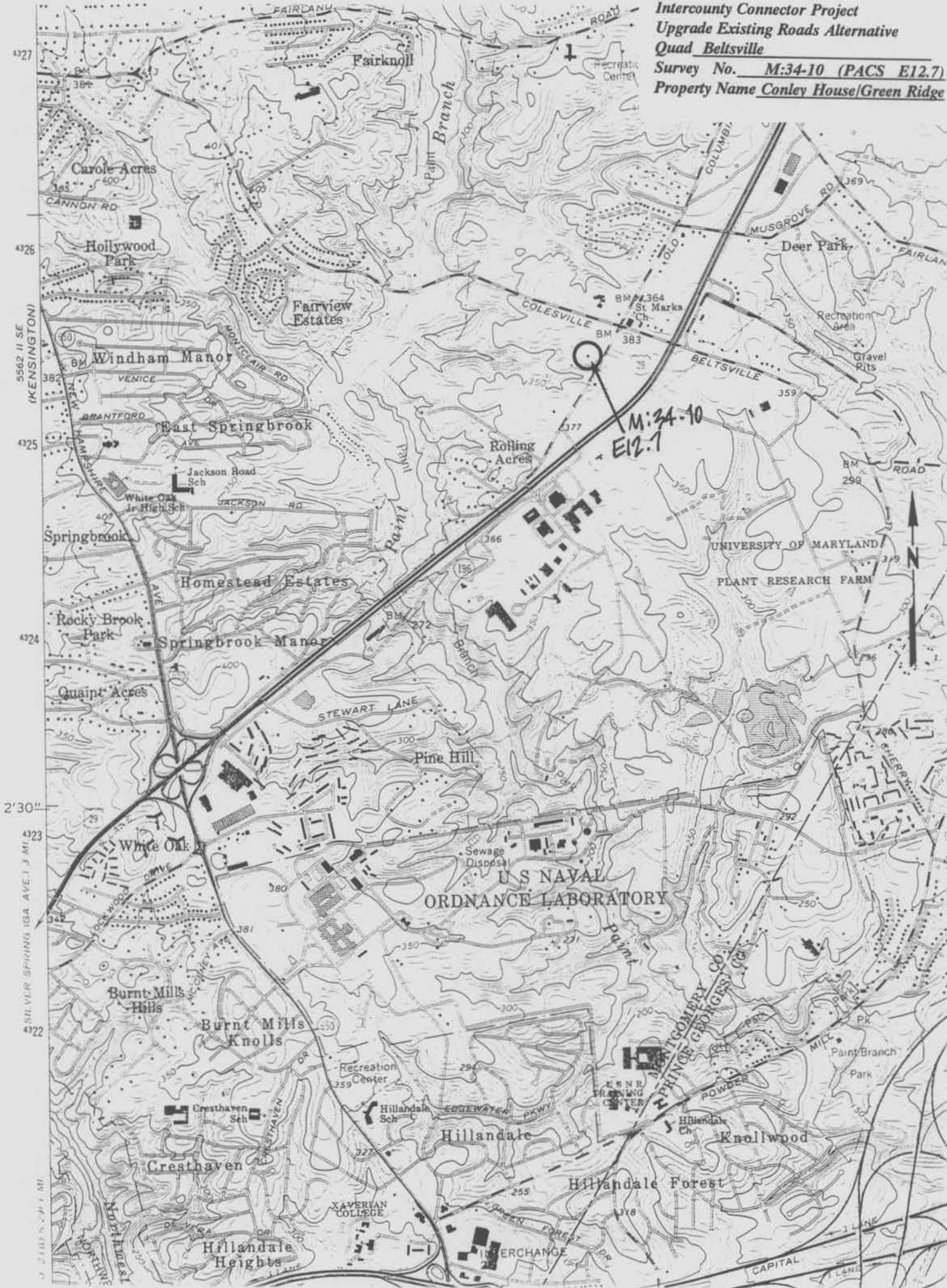
Preparer:  
P.A.C. Spero & Company  
December 1996

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Year Built circa 1910

Resource Sketch Map and National Register Boundary Map:



Intercounty Connector Project  
Upgrade Existing Roads Alternative  
Quad Beltsville  
Survey No. M:34-10 (PACS E12.7)  
Property Name Conley House/Green Ridge





- 1 M: 34-10
- 2 Conley House / Green Ridge
- 3 Montgomery County
- 4 Ryan McKay
- 5 June 1996
- 6 PAC Spiero and Company, 40 W. Chesapeake Ave. Suite 412 Towson MD 21284
- 7 southeast and northeast facades  
12500 Old Columbia Pike
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Conley House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

12500 Old Columbia Pike

CITY, TOWN

(Fairland) Silver Spring VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Brig. General Edgar Thomas Conley, Jr. Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

12500 Old Columbia Pike

CITY, TOWN

Silver Spring VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

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**

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 EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR
**CONDITION**
 DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED
**CHECK ONE**
 UNALTERED  
 ALTERED
**CHECK ONE**
 ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_
**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This is a handsome, Classical Revival home of ca. 1910. The original Conley house on this site burned and this is a replacement, although some older farm buildings remain. This is a large, two-story, frame house that faces east. The main (east) facade is of five bays, and an imposing, two-story, pedimented portico covers the three center bays. The center door has a Palladian-style arrangement of fanlight, sidelights, and moldings. There are two dormers on the slate roof that sit on either side of the pediment. Large brick chimneys sit on the exterior north and south walls. Siding is clapboard. Some old barns across the street burned ca. 1970. The old springhouse, etc., remain on the property.

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# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Architecturally, this house is unique to the area. Historically, it has been the continuous home of the Conley family since the early 1800's. The present owner, General Conley, is the third (U.S. Army) General in his family to have lived here. The working farm is the last one situated this close to the surrounding, heavily-suburbanized area.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**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

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

8/21/75

STREET & NUMBER

8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

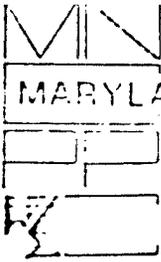
STATE

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  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated August 15, 1989

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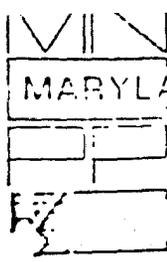
This amendment recommends 18 historic resources throughout Montgomery County for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. It also recommends that 4 other resources be found not to warrant historic designation and that they be removed from the Locational Atlas and from further protection under the Ordinance.

18 historic resources recommended for historic designation and protection:

M: 10-52	Charles Browning Farm
M: 10-57	Zeigler Log House
M: 12-11	Frederick Hayes House
M: 12-36	Oak Ridge/Eleven Brothers
M: 14-51	Woodburn/Blunt House
M: 16-1	Trundle Farm
M: 16-12	Warren M.E. Church and Martinsburg Negro School
M: 16/26	Nathan Dickerson Poole House/River View
M: 23-41	Musgrove/Hobbs/Gaither House
M: 23-47	Pleasant View
M: 23-84/1	Ellicott Mine
M: 25-8	Mt. Prospect
M: 25-10/1	Travilah Town Hall
M: 29/9	Dr. Willett House
M: 29-19	Joseph Magruder House (Offutt House)
M: 33-1	Drumeldra
M: 34-10	Conley House/Green Ridge
M: 36-3	Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate

4 resources to be removed from Locational Atlas.

M: 25-19	Semmes Farm	M: 37-1	Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek
M: 37-2	Presidents' Tree	M: 28-34	Mt. Pleasant II



M: 34-10

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated April 25, 1989

ACTION TAKEN

This document contains the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations on the designation of twenty-two (22) historic resources throughout Montgomery County. Twenty-one resources are recommended for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. One resource is not recommended for designation.

SITES RECOMMENDED

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M: 25/10-1	Travilah Town Hall
M: 28/34	Mount Pleasant II/Esther Scott House
M: 29/9	Dr. Willett House
M: 29/19	Joseph Magruder House
M: 33/1	Drumeldra
M: 34/10	Conley House
M: 36/03	Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate
M: 37/01	Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek
M: 37/02	The President's Tree

NOT RECOMMENDED

M: 25/19 Semmes Farm



NAME M: # 34-10 CONLEY HOUSE

LOCATION 12500 OLD COLUMBIA PIKE (NEAR E. RANDOLPH Rd)

FACADE E COLESVILLE (SILVER SPRING), MD.

PHOTO TAKEN 8/21/75 MDWYER