

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No.

M 35/43

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bethesda Community Store

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 8804 Old Georgetown Road not for publicationcity, town Bethesda vicinity of congressional district 7th

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

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

name Suburban Hospital Assoc., Inc.

street & number 8600 Old Georgetown Rd. telephone no.:

city, town Bethesda, MD state and zip code 20817

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Courthouse liber 6613

street & number folio 541

city, town Rockville state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title none

date federal state county local

pository for survey records M-NCPPC Park Historian's Office

city, town Rockville state Maryland

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

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

The Bethesda Community Store is a free standing, long, narrow vernacular structure. It is a small, single story, two bay by one bay building of frame construction. It has a front gabled roof with slightly overhanging, bracketed eaves. The entry is to the southern side of the facade. To the other side is a large, four light window. A wooded porch supported by plain wooden posts and railings runs the length of the facade. A large, three sided metal sign reading "Bethesda Community Store" on the front and "Coca-Cola" to either side rests on the shed roof of the porch. Inside, the store is a single room measuring about 30 X 18 feet. To the rear is a small, single story, shed roof addition. The store remains in original condition. It is located in a densely developed residential area of Bethesda. It stands as the only commercial structure found here.

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
<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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1924 Builder/Architect John Moyer

Check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D and/or

Applicable Exception: 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 Bethesda Community Store is significant for its interest as part of the commercial development of Montgomery County. It exemplifies the simple, early economic heritage of the community and of the county as a whole. The store is one of the few general stores left in the county. This once familiar institution is rapidly vanishing. Long years of faithful service to the community has, in fact, made the Bethesda Community Store a well established and familiar landmark of the neighborhood. In addition to its cultural and economic significance, the store building represents a distinctive early twentieth century, simple, utilitarian architectural style. The store is very characteristic of the once commonly found commercial architecture of this period. Furthermore, it is all that remains in this area of the rural character of the Bethesda community. Thus, the Bethesda Community Store is one of the last of its kind-- architecturally and culturally.

The Bethesda Community Store was built in 1924 by Mr. John Moyer. This property has, however, an earlier history as the site of a store, The Hopkins Atlas of 1894 shows "Morgan's Store" as located on this spot. The property was owned by the Morgan family at that time (Deed 180/406). The lumber used in the construction of the present structure was said to have come from a country store in Cedar Grove. The property on which the store was built was at that time owned by Mr. John W. Huffman. His large, frame residence sat on this lot also. Mr. Huffman, like all the owners of this lot, never ran the store himself.

Mr. Rowland Custer, who delivered milk for Sealtest, said his route included the Bethesda Community Store in 1929. It was then operated by Mr. Owens. Other proprietors included "the Browns" (Mr. Ernest Brown), "the Fergusons" and "Old Sweetie Williams" (Sentinel, March 16, 1967). According to Mr. Custer, very little about the store has changed since then.

See attachment Sheet

June of 1937, John and his wife, Mary Huffman defaulted on their mortgage and the property was sold by court appointed trustees. The property, 1.016 acres, included a large, frame dwelling house with hot and cold water, electric lights and "other modern improvements," and a "small frame store building" (Judgement Record 78-301, Case # 8233). The house and store were purchased by realtors, Emory H. and Jennie R. Bogley (Deed 667-385). The property remained in the Bogley family until its recent sale to Suburban Hospital in December of 1984 (Deed 6613-541).

The Bethesda Community Store was operated for nearly forty years by Ernest and Margaret Caudill. They began business on May 28, 1945, selling groceries and some fresh produce. The Caudills later opened a deli counter to serve sandwiches. A demand had been created by the working men involved in the Bethesda construction boom. Children have also been among the store's best customers, attracted by the wide variety of candy, still sold by the piece. According to Mr. Caudill, the store remains the same inside and out. The only structural change has been the addition of a bathroom to the rear of the building about twelve to fifteen years ago. Tradition prevails at the Bethesda Community Store. Modern improvements and gadgetry (such as a cash register) is unknown to the store. The Caudills opened the store each week day about 3:30 a.m. to serve coffee, donuts and slices of pie to their last at night or early to work customers. The store then closes at 6:00 p.m. Ernie and Margaret Caudill have since retired (effective January 1, 1984). The new proprietors, however, Mr. Bill Henderson and family, intend to maintain the old traditions of the Bethesda Community Store.

(Note: Attempts at change and even demolition of the store have been made in the past by the property owners; however, zoning laws have prevented such action).

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Montgomery County Land Records, Judgement Records and Tax Assessments
Conversations with Mr. Ernest Caudill, Mr. Rowland Custer, Mr.
Bill Henderson and others, 2/85

Newspaper Articles on file at the Mont. Co. Historical Society Library

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 1.016 acres

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting			Northing					

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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

name/title Catherine Crawford

organization Mont. Co. Hist. Preservation Comm. date 2/85

street & number telephone

city or town Rockville 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
Shaw House
21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 269-2438



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated June 21, 1985

ACTION TAKEN

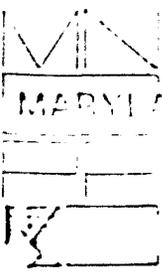
to take testimony on whether or not the following historic resource presently listed in the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County should be included in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation.

<u>RESOURCE</u>	<u>ATLAS #</u>
Hyattstown Historic District 25814-26121 Frederick Road (MD 355) Clarksburg, Maryland	10/59

PRELIMINARY DRAFT AMENDMENT
TO
THE MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The purpose of this amendment is to consider the recommendation of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission to designate the following site on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation thereby extending to it the protection of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code:

<u>Site</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Associated Acreage</u>
#35/43	Bethesda Community Store	8804 Old Georgetown Road	29,695 Sq.Ft.



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated August 1, 1985

ACTION TAKEN

**THE AMENDMENT
BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE
SITE #35/43**

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BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE

June 1985

An amendment to the Bethesda/Chevy Chase Approved and Adopted Master Plan, October 1970; being also an amendment to the General Plan for the Physical Development of the Maryland-Washington Regional District and to the Master Plan of Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

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Pursuant to Article 28 of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Chapter 24A and Chapter 33A of the Montgomery County Code, the Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission hereby gives notice that it will hold a public hearing on the following:

PRELIMINARY DRAFT AMENDMENT TO
THE MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1985

at

10:00 A.M.

in the

Montgomery Regional Office Auditorium
 8787 Georgia Avenue
 Silver Spring, Maryland

to take testimony on whether or not the following historic resource presently listed in the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County should be included in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation.

<u>RESOURCE</u>	<u>ATLAS #</u>
Bethesda Community Store 8804 Old Georgetown Road Bethesda, MD	35/43

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission reviewed the architectural and historic significance of the store according to the criteria listed in the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code, and nominated the building for placement on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. If placed on the Master Plan, the building will be protected under the Historic Preservation Ordinance which provides certain controls regarding alteration, demolition, and maintenance of the property.

If not included in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation, the building may be removed from the Locational Atlas. If removed, the property would no longer be subject to the provision of Chapter 24A-10, the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition. The district will remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory.

The Preliminary Draft Amendment is available for public inspection at The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Regional Headquarters, 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow all interested persons to express their views concerning this action. Persons wishing to testify should call 495-4600. If you are unable to attend, write your concerns to the Montgomery County Planning Board at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20907 and they will be made part of the public hearing record.

Thomas H. Countee, Jr.

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ABSTRACT

TITLE: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:
Bethesda Community Store, #35/43

AUTHOR: The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:
Bethesda Community Store, #35/43

DATE: June 1985

PLANNING AGENCY: The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

SOURCE OF COPIES: The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20907

SERIES NUMBER: 8047852506

NUMBER OF PAGES: 3

ABSTRACT: This document contains the text, with supporting maps, for an amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and to the Bethesda/Chevy Chase Approved and Adopted Master Plan, October 1970. It contains the recommendations of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission for a Locational Atlas resource identified in the Bethesda/Chevy Chase area.

INTRODUCTION

In July 1979 the County moved to establish permanent tools for protecting and preserving its historic and architectural heritage by adopting a functional Master Plan for Historic Preservation and enacting a Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the County Code.

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission was created with the enactment of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance and was charged with the responsibility of researching and evaluating historic resources according to criteria specified in the Ordinance. The Commission then recommends those worthy of preservation to the Montgomery County Planning Board for inclusion in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and protection under the Ordinance.

THE AMENDMENT PROCESS

Upon receiving a recommendation from the Historic Preservation Commission, the Planning Board holds a public hearing to make its determination using the same criteria, considering the purposes of the Ordinance, and balancing the importance of the historic resource with other public interests.

If, in balance, the Planning Board finds the historic resource should be designated, it will then recommend a Master Plan Amendment to the County Council. The Council may hold a hearing before it acts, if appropriate. Upon approval by the Council and adoption by the Planning Board of the proposed amendment, the historic resource would then become designated on the Master Plan, and thus, subject to the protection of the Ordinance.

Like the Master Plan itself, these amendments would not attempt to specifically delineate the appurtenances and environmental setting for each resource. As a general rule, the resource would be recommended for placement with its original or existing property boundaries or, in the event of subdivision, at least the minimum size lot permitted by the zone in which the resource occurs, unless the Planning Board, upon the advice of the Historic Preservation Commission, finds that a larger area is essential to preserve the integrity of the site. The Master Plan Amendment will, however, indicate where the environmental setting is subject to refinement in the event of development. Where applicable, the amendment will describe an appropriate setting and specify those features of the site and their location relative to the resource that the setting is intended to protect. It is anticipated that for a majority of the sites designated, the appropriate point at which to refine the environmental setting will be when the property is subdivided. Designation of the entire parcel at the time of placement on the Master Plan will therefore allow the maximum flexibility to preserve the site while retaining the ability to be responsive to development plans which recognize important features of the resource.

IMPLEMENTATION

Once designated on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation, any substantial changes to the exterior of a resource or its environmental setting must be reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission and a historic area work permit issued. The Ordinance also empowers the County's Department of Environmental Protection and the Historic Preservation Commission to prevent the demolition of historic buildings through neglect.

It is the intent of the Master Plan and Ordinance to provide a rational system for evaluating, protecting and enhancing Montgomery County's heritage for the benefit of present and future residents. The accompanying challenge is to weave protection of this heritage into the County's planning program so as to maximize community support for preservation and minimize infringement on private property rights.

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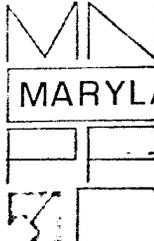
The purpose of this amendment is to consider the recommendation of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission to designate the following site on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation thereby extending to it the protection of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code:

<u>Site</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Associated Acreage</u>
#35/43	Bethesda Community Store	8804 Old Georgetown Road	29,695 Sq.Ft.

The Montgomery County Preservation Commission evaluated the Bethesda Community Store on March 7, 1985 and recommends the designation of the structure based on the following finding of historical/cultural and architectural significance:

"The Bethesda Community Store, built in 1924 on the site of an earlier store, meets [Preservation Ordinance] criteria 1a and 1d, specifically as part of the economic, cultural, and social heritage of the County, because it is one of the few surviving early 20th century commercial structures in Montgomery County and the sole remaining structure reminiscent of pre-development, rural Bethesda. The store meets criterion 2a as it retains in nearly original condition the architectural style of small scale commercial architecture so common in the first quarter of the 20th century in Montgomery County. The store meets criterion 2e by virtue of being the one structure on Old Georgetown Road that is reminiscent of old Bethesda. Because any reduction in setting may reduce the viability of the structure the recommended environmental setting for the Bethesda Community Store is the entire 1.016 acre [24,695 square feet] parcel."

[] Brackets indicate editorial additions or corrections.


 THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION
 8787 Georgia Avenue • Silver Spring, Maryland 20907

August 1, 1985

TO: Richard Ferrara, Director
 Department of Housing and Community Development
 John L. Menke, Director
 Department of Environmental Protection
 ✓ J. Rodney Little, Director
 State Historic Preservation Office
 Priscilla Schwab, Chairperson
 Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Melissa C. Banach, Coordinator *MCB*
 Community Planning North

SUBJECT: Final Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for
 Historic Preservation: Bethesda Community Store

I am pleased to transmit to you this Final Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation.

This document contains the recommendation of the Montgomery County Planning Board on the designation of the Bethesda Community Store, located at 8804 Old Georgetown Road, to be protected under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code.

Should you have any questions concerning this amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart of Community Planning North staff at 495-4565.

MCB:MR:lyg
Attachment

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**FINAL DRAFT AMENDMENT
TO THE
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BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE
SITE #35/43**

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ABSTRACT: This document contains the text, with supporting maps, for an amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and to the Bethesda/Chevy Chase Approved and Adopted Master Plan, October 1970, designating the Bethesda Community Store as a Historic Site to be protected under the County's Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code.

INTRODUCTION

In July 1979 the County moved to establish permanent tools for protecting and preserving its historic and architectural heritage by adopting a functional Master Plan for Historic Preservation and enacting a Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the County Code.

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission was created with the enactment of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance and was charged with the responsibility of researching and evaluating historic resources according to criteria specified in the Ordinance. The Commission then recommends those worthy of preservation to the Montgomery County Planning Board for inclusion in the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and protection under the Ordinance.

THE AMENDMENT PROCESS

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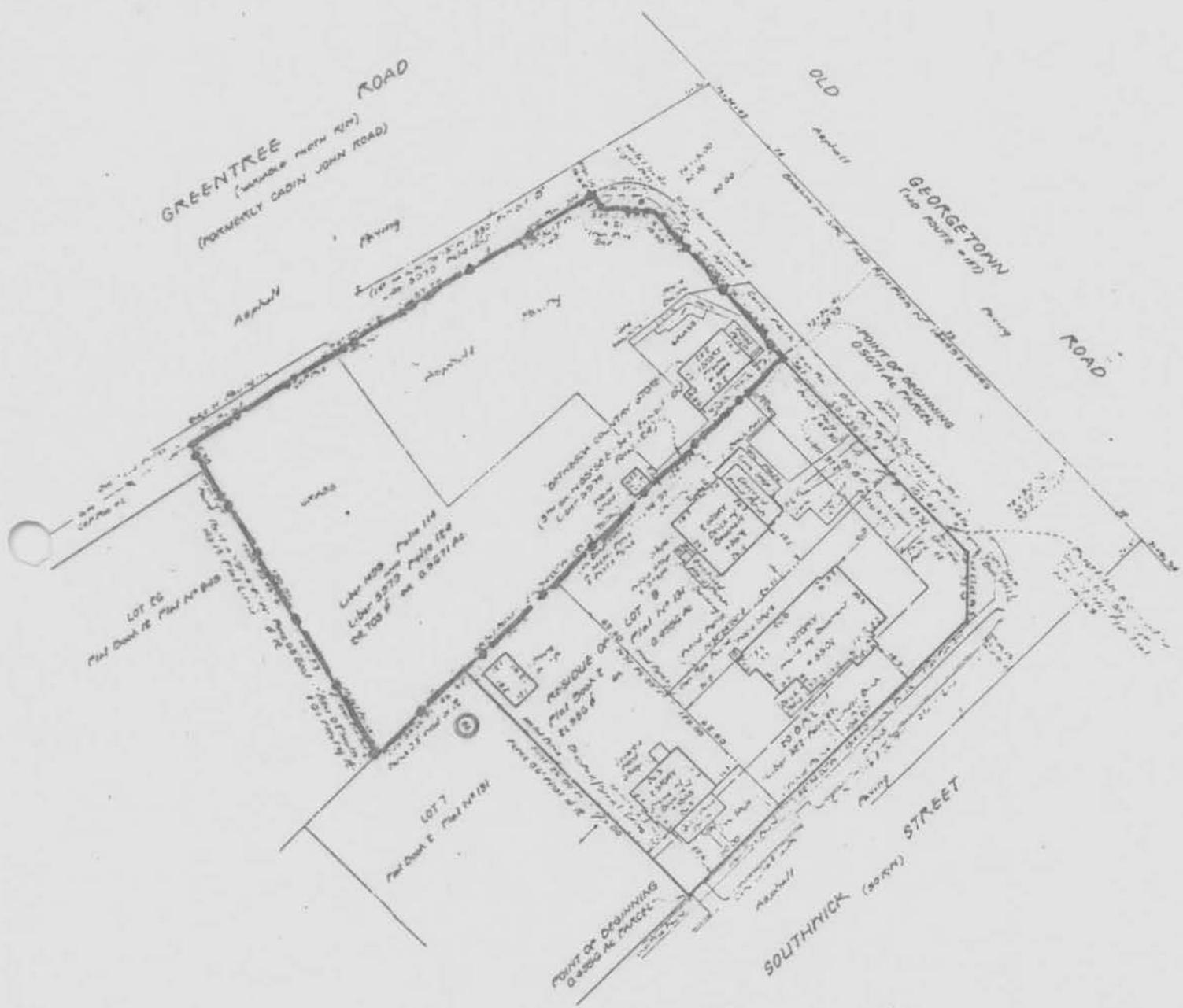
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THE AMENDMENT
BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE
SITE #35/43

The purpose of this amendment is to designate the following site on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation thereby extending to it the protection of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code:

<u>Site</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Associated Acreage</u>
#35/43	Bethesda Community Store	8804 Old Georgetown Road	.567 acre

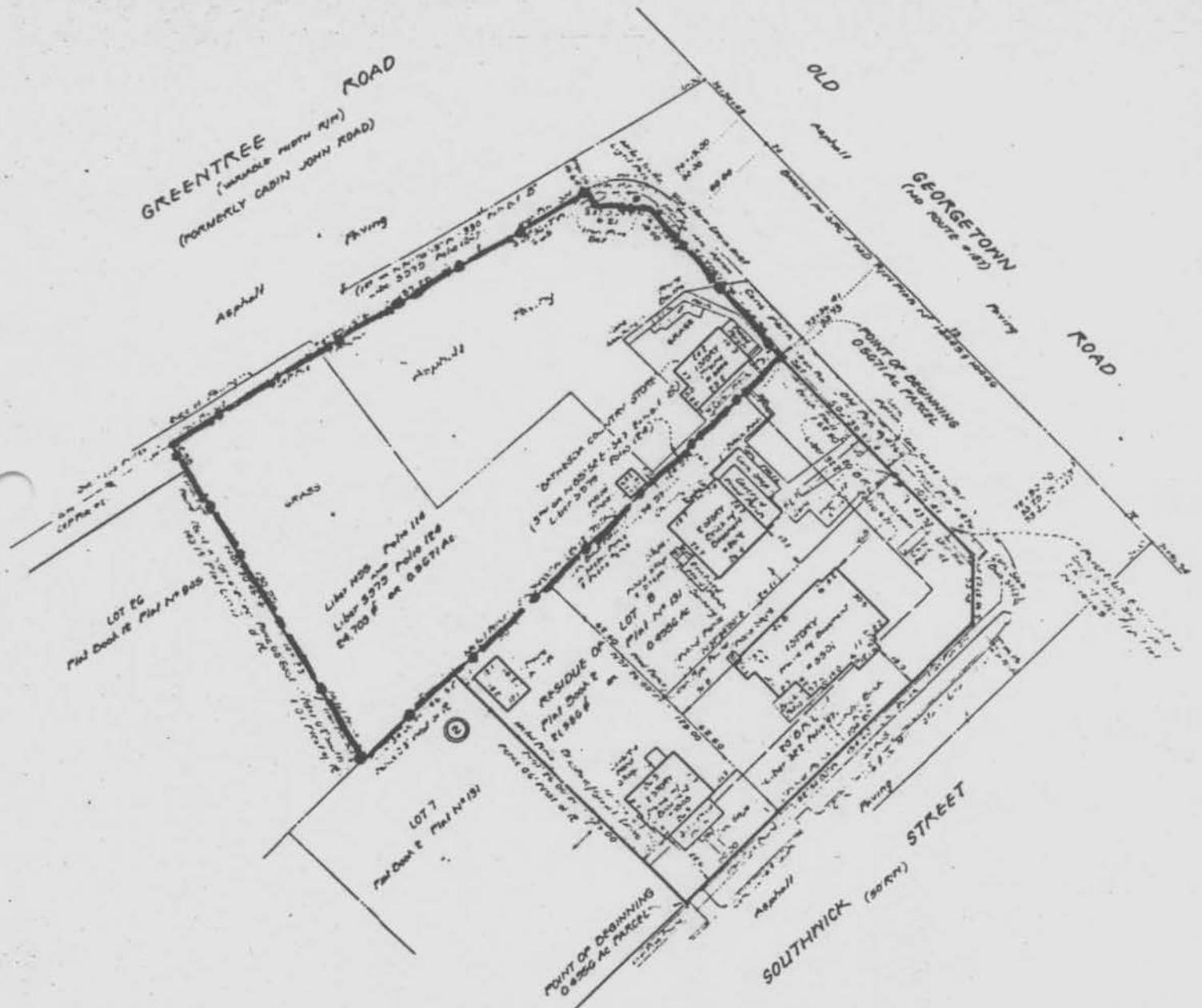
- The Bethesda Community Store, built in 1924 on the site of an earlier store, meets Preservation Ordinance criteria 1a and 1d, specifically as part of the economic, cultural, and social heritage of the County, because it is one of the few surviving early 20th century commercial structures in Montgomery County still in operation providing insight into everyday life in early predevelopment Bethesda.
- The store meets criterion 2a -- embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction -- as it retains in nearly original conditions the style of the small scale commercial architecture so common in the first quarter of the 20th century in the County.
- Additionally the store as vernacular architecture meets criterion 2d -- represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction -- because the building form itself, along with the grandfathered commercial use and its historical setting combine to convey a strong sense of an earlier time and place in contrast to its immediate surroundings.
- Finally, by virtue of this contrast, the store meets criterion 2e -- represents an established visual feature of the neighborhood, community or county due to its singular characteristics -- as it is the only structure along Old Georgetown road reminiscent of the earliest phase of Bethesda suburban development.
- Because any changes to the site could affect the viability of the store's commercial operation, the entire .567 acre parcel is designated as the environmental setting to be reviewed under the Preservation Ordinance. Features of the setting include the store itself, the parking area, service delivery area, storage shed, and picnic and lawn areas to the rear of the parcel.



BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE #35/43
 8804 OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD

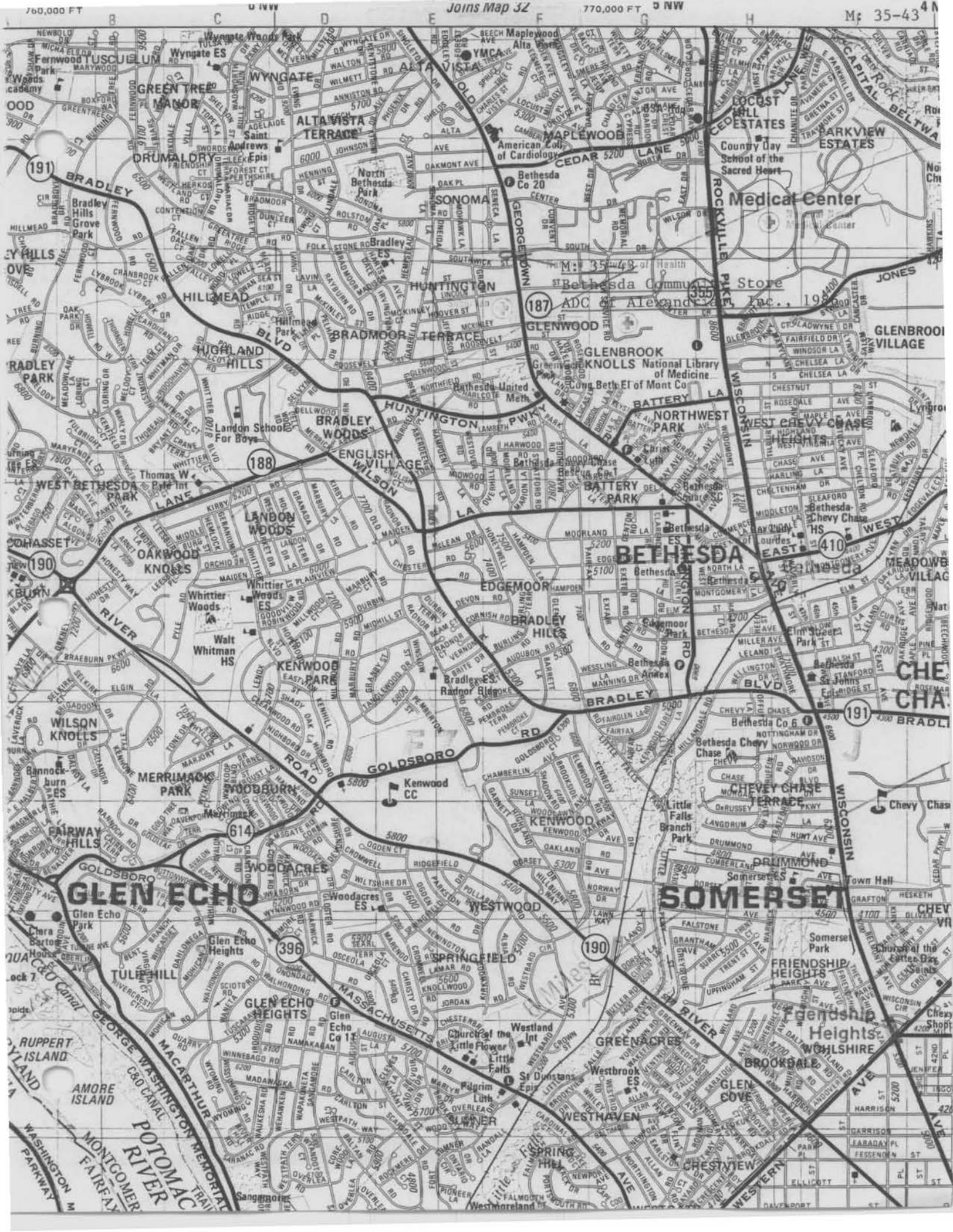
- PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING





BETHESDA COMMUNITY STORE #35/43
 8804 OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD

— — PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING



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UNITED STATES
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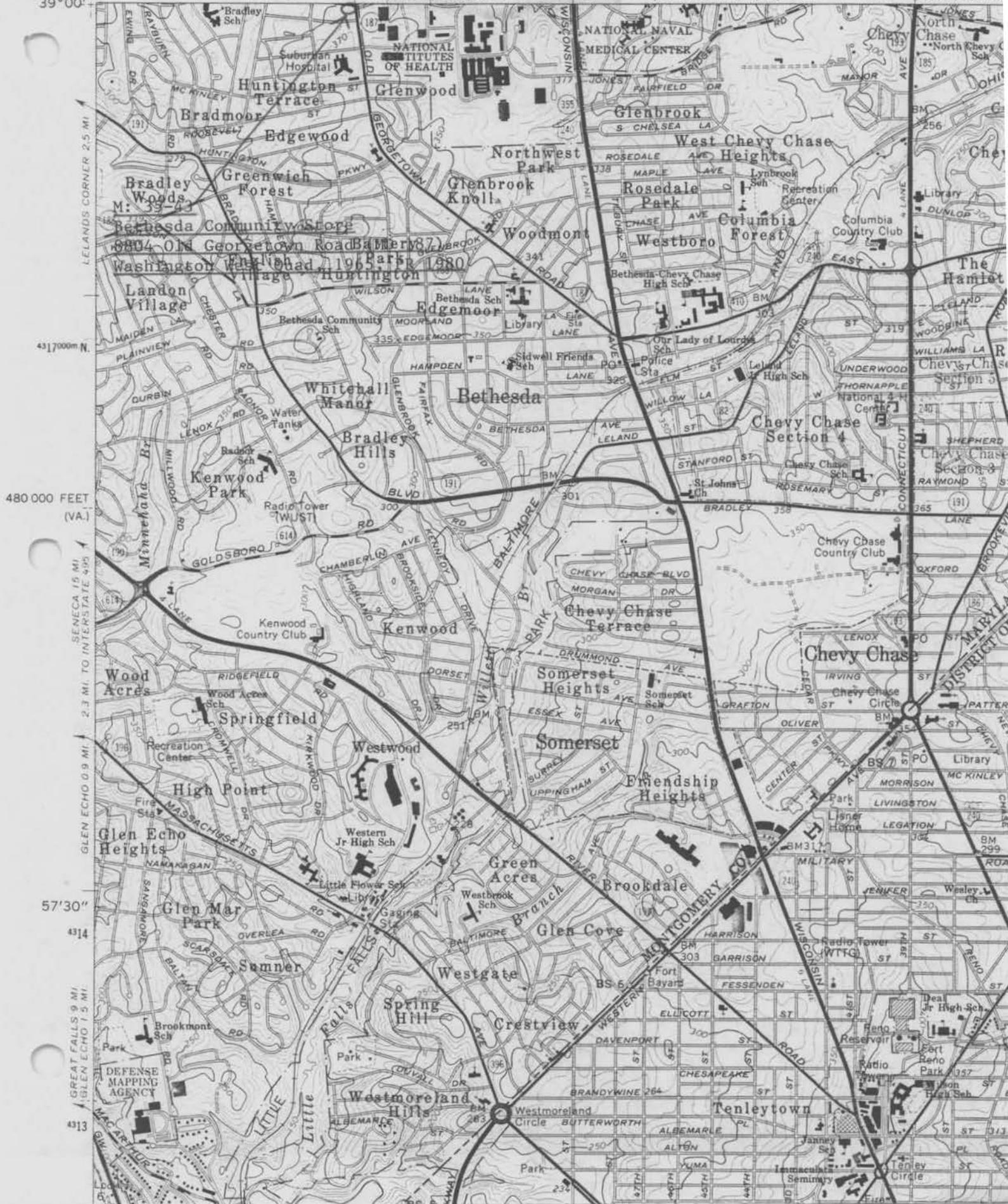
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SENECA 15 MI. TO INTERSTATE 495

GLEN ECHO 0.9 MI.

57'30"

GREAT FALLS 9 MI. TO INTERSTATE 495

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