

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Oxon Hill United Methodist Church and Cemetery Inventory Number: PG:76B-46
 Address: 6400 Livingston Road Historic district: yes no
 City: Oxon Hill Zip Code: 20745 County: Prince Georges
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Anacostia
 Property Owner: Oxon Hill United Methodist Church Tax Account ID Number: 1304286
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): n/a Tax Map Number: 96
 Project: MD 414 at I-495 Agency: State Highway Administration
 Agency Prepared By: State Highway Administration
 Preparer's Name: Melissa Hess Date Prepared: 05/13/2005

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 Oxon Hill United Methodist Church is located at the intersection of Livingston Road and Bock Road in the Oxon Hill Vicinity of Prince George's County. The church is an example of a mid-twentieth century expression of the Colonial Revival style. The L-shaped building consists of a sanctuary wing built in 1952 and a three-story educational wing built in 1960. The structure is constructed of common bond brick. The gable roofs are covered in slate. Both wings feature double-hung sash windows and wood panel doors. The main entrance to the sanctuary is a three-story block tower with a pyramidal roof. The front entrance door features a large transom with diamond-shaped fixed panes and a door surround with Colonial Revival detail. There is a small parking lot in front of the building and large paved lot to the rear of the building. There is triangular-shaped landscaped area in the front of the building with numerous ornamental trees. The church retains ownership of the congregation's original cemetery, which is located on a discontinuous plot approximately 1/4 mile northwest of the church. The cemetery is about 150 yards south of Oxon Hill Road near the Livingston Road intersection and directly behind the Oxon Hill Post Office. Burials date from the 1850s to the late twentieth century, although there are a relatively small number of extant gravemarkers.

While the current church building is relatively new, the congregation itself is almost 200 years old. In 1811, the original Oxon Hill Methodist Meeting House was erected at the site of the cemetery. In 1899, a large frame church was built on an adjacent lot,

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MHT Comments:

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Date

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Reviewer, National Register Program

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using materials from the original church. In 1914, this second church structure was raised to facilitate the construction of a basement. In 1946, the congregation began renovations to the 1899 church building. On January 5, 1951, this church building was destroyed by fire. A new site was purchased at the intersection of Bock and Livingston Roads. The new church was consecrated on November 23, 1952. A three-story educational wing was consecrated in February 26, 1961. In 1969, the congregation made additions to the main sanctuary wing, including more office space and a small chapel.

Ordinarily, religious properties and cemeteries shall not be considered eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, unless they meet certain criteria considerations. A religious property must derive its primary significance from architectural or artistic distinction or historical importance (Criteria Consideration A). The church a common illustration of a popular architectural expression of the mid-twentieth century and therefore does not possess architectural or artistic distinction. While the Oxon Hill United Methodist Church congregation has a rich history, the current church building is not directly associated with events of historical importance.

Cemeteries must derive primary significance from graves of persons of transcendent importance, from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events (Criteria Consideration D). The Oxon Hill United Methodist Cemetery does not contain graves of persons of transcendent importance, or derive significance from exceptional age. The cemetery does not express distinctive design features, or have an association with historic events.

Because the Oxon Hill United Methodist Church and Cemetery does not meet criteria considerations, it is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

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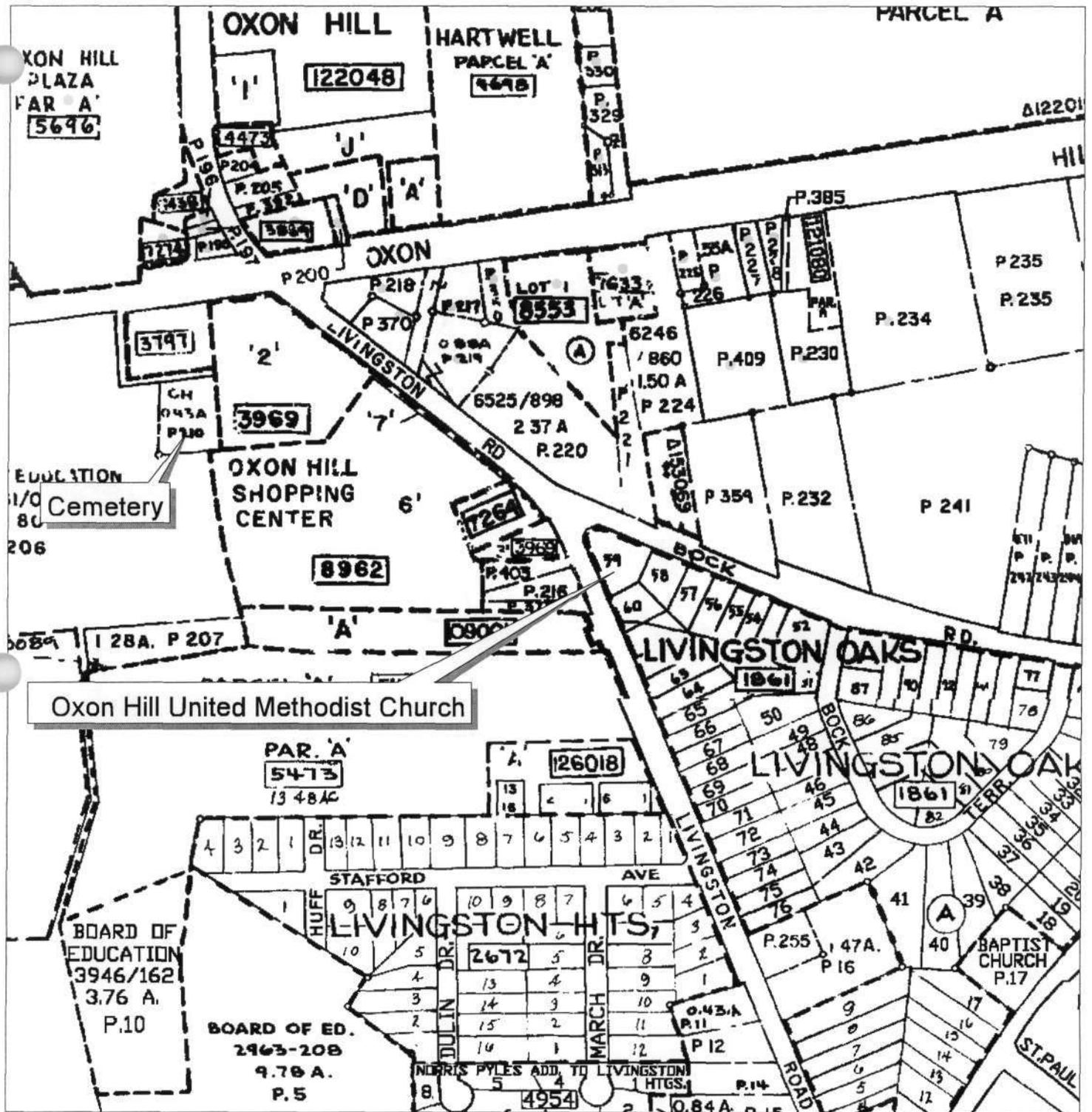
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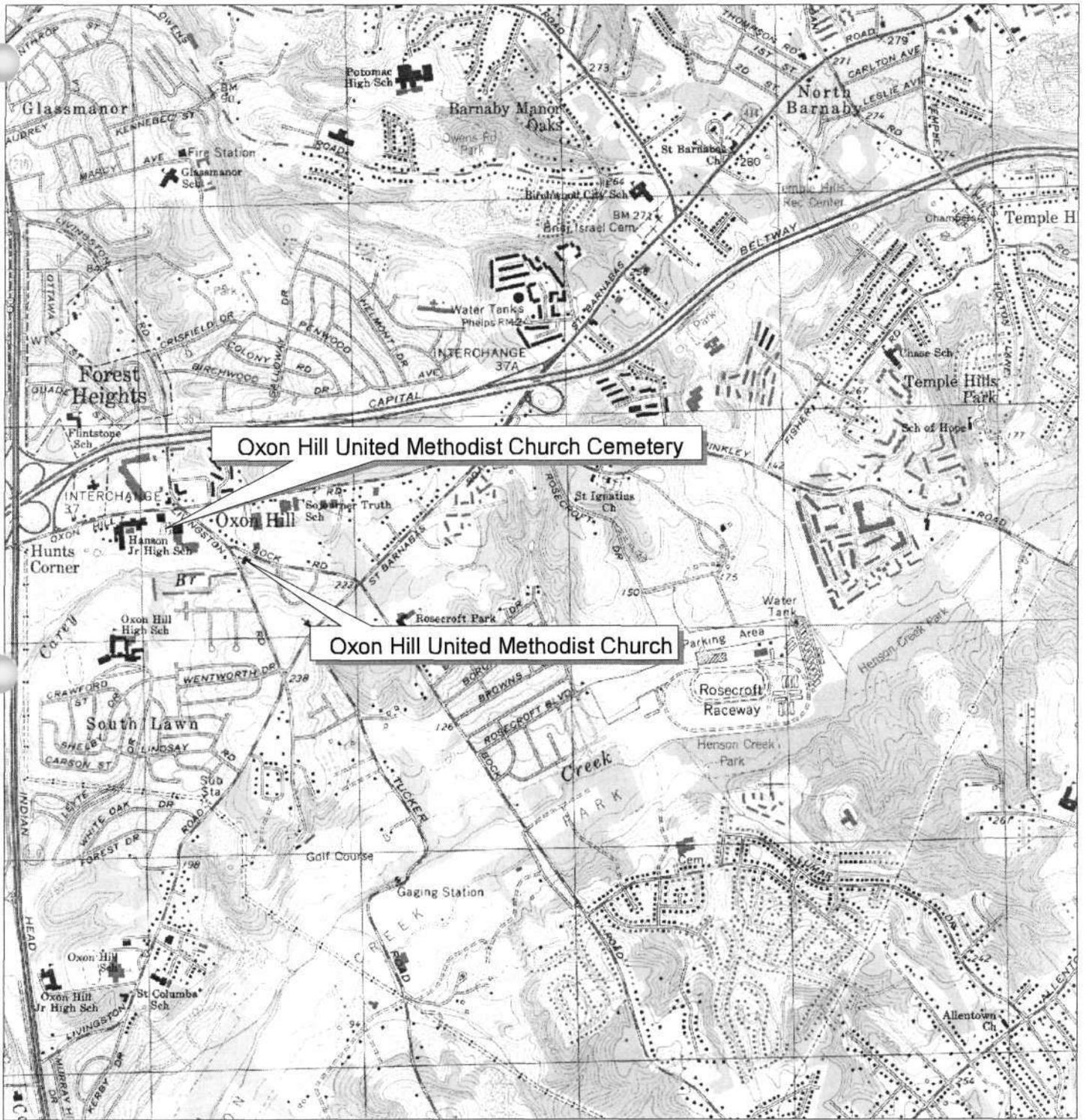
Oxon Hill

Prince George's County

Anacostia Quad

Scale = 1:5,000





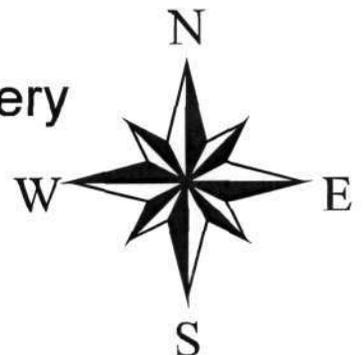
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Oxon Hill United Methodist Church and Cemetery

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Oxon Hill United Methodist Church

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West Elevation

Facing East

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Open Hearts Open Minds Open Doors

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West Elevation

Facing Southeast

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West Elevation

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Front Entrance, West Elevation

Facing Northeast

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Educational Wing, East and North elevations

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East Elevation

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1847
1917

JULIA
ADA
LAW

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Oxon Hill United Methodist Church

Cemetery - Due South of Oxon Hill Post Office

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Cemetery

Facing Southwest

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CLARK

Mrs. S. Clark
Died July 1872

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Cemetery - Due South of Oxan Hill Post Office
Prince George's County

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Cemetery

Facing West

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Cemetery

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