

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #87A-5 Building Date: ca. 1829 or before

Building Name: Summers Farm House

Location: 16900 Summers Lane, Baden

Private/Residence/Occupied/Fair/Inaccessible

Description

The Summers Farm house is on an unpaved lane south of Baden-Westwood Road. It is in two sections. The older main block is one-and-one-half stories, rectangular in plan, with a steeply pitched gable roof covered with standing-seam metal. The eastern wing is two-stories gable roofed, perpendicular to the main block. Both parts of the structure are covered with horizontal wood siding. The three bay north (entrance) facade of the main block has a first bay entrance through a six panel door with a three light transom. The second and third bays are large 9/6 windows with wooden sills, narrow molded surrounds and louvered shutters. There is a plain boxed cornice and two gable dormers at the attic level having large 6/6 windows and enclosed pediments. The west wide gable end has two high exterior corbelled brick chimneys connected by a projecting, one-story shed roof pent with a 6/6 window. The south (rear) facade of the main block is three bays, identical to the front facade. There are two windows of two lights each in the brick, foundation. There is a four bay porch across the facade, which continues across the east facade, forming an "L" shape. The eastern wing is one-by-two bays with a north and south facing gable end. It has 1/1 windows and a central brick chimney at the gable ridge. The foundation is deteriorated on the north (front) facade making the joists visible. They are hand-hewn, and there are machine-cut nails also visible. There is a large gambrel roof barn to the west of the house and a smaller barn with a steeply pitched gable roof with shallowly pitched east and west extensions.

Significance

The Summers Farm House was probably constructed by 1829. It was part of a large estate belonging to the the Eversfield family, which was divided among the heirs after the death of Matthew Eversfield in 1799. The 420 acres, part of several tracts were acquired by John G. Summer from Eversfield heirs in 1829. Summers named the property Prospect Hill and resided there until his death in 1873. The house and property has remained in the Summers family until the present. The east wing of the house was built during the 1930's. The main block may date from the late 18th or 19th century. Characteristics which contribute to its eighteenth century vernacular appearance include its 1-1/2 story height, high gable roof, attic level dormers, exterior double chimney connected by a pent and its side hall, two parlor plan. The sill and joists, appear to be hand hewn. The house is significant for its architecture, which though altered, exemplifies an 18th century style. It also is significant because it has been owned by the same family for over 150 years.

Acreage: 16.95

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Summers Farm House

and/or common Summers Farm House

2. Location

street & number 16900 Summers Lane not for publication

city, town Brandywine vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Prince George's

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"/> educational	<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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Evelyn A. Hedrick

street & number 16900 Summers Lane telephone no.:

city, town Brandywine state and zip code Md. 20613

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 4947

street & number Main Street folio 156

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic Sites and Districts Plan

date July 1981 federal state county local

pository for survey records History Division-MNCPPC

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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			

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

The Summers Farm house is on an unpaved lane south of Baden-Westwood Road. The house is in two sections. The older main block is one-and-one-half stories, rectangular in plan, with a steeply pitched gable roof covered with standing-seam metal. The eastern wing is a two-story gable wing perpendicular to the older structure. It has a cement foundation, and a roof covered with asphalt shingle. Both parts of the structure are covered with horizontal wood siding.

The three bay north (entrance) facade of the main block has a first bay entrance through a six panel door with a three light transom. There is a sag to the west in the door and transom. The second and third bays are large 9/6 double hung sash windows with wooden sills, narrow molded surrounds and louvered shutters. There is a plain boxed cornice and two gable dormers at the attic level, above the cornice. The dormers have large 6/6 windows and enclosed pediments. The window surrounds have narrow banded molding with upper corner blocks. There is a central corbelled brick chimney in the east sloping hipped section of the roof which connects the steep gable of the older structure to the lower gable of the newer wing.

The west wide gable end has two high exterior corbelled brick chimneys connected by a projecting, one-story shed roof pent with a 6/6 window. The brick is laid in American Bond. There are two 4/4 windows between the chimneys and a four light window in the gable peak. The eastern of the two chimneys is wider and its weathering is at the second story level.

The south (rear) facade of the main block is three bays. The first two are 9/6 windows with the same treatment as the front windows. There is a rear entrance in the third bay, with the same surround as the windows. There are two gable dormers in the second story, with the same treatment as the front dormers. There are two windows of two lights each in the brick, American bond foundation. There is a four bay hipped roof porch across the facade, which continues across the east facade, forming an "L" shape. The northeastern two bays have been enclosed. The porch is raised, supported on cement piers.

The eastern wing is one-by-two bays with a north and south facing gable end. It has 1/1 windows and a central brick chimney at the gable ridge.

The foundation of the house is deteriorated on the north (front) facade. The floor joists are visible. They are hand-hewn, finished joists. There are machine-cut nails also visible.

There is a large gambrel roof barn to the west of the house. It has a standing-seam metal roof and is supported on cement piers. There is also a smaller barn west of the house, with a steeply pitched gable roof with shallowly pitched extensions on the east and west sides of the structure.

8. Significance

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

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 Summers Farm House was probably constructed by 1829, if not before that date. The land upon which it was built was part of a large estate belonging to the the Eversfield family. The estate was divided among the heirs after the death of Matthew Eversfield in 1799.¹ The Eversfield family home was at Brook Wood.² It is not clear whether one of the heirs resided on this property. The 420 acres, part of several tracts including Archer's Pasture, Gadling and Whins Acre, were acquired by John G. Summer from Eversfield heirs in 1829.³ Summers renamed the property Prospect Hill and resided in the present house until his death in 1873.⁴ The house has remained in the Summers family until the present time.⁵

The east wing of the house was built during the 1930's. An older frame kitchen wing was torn down at that time to build the new one.⁶ The main block has the appearance of great age and may date from the late eighteenth or early nineteenth century. Characteristics which contribute to its eighteenth century vernacular appearance include its one-and-one-half story height with high gable roof and attic level dormers, its exterior double chimney connected by a pent and its side hall, two parlor plan. The sill and joists, exposed on the front facade, appear to be hand hewn.

The Summer Farm House is significant for its architecture, which though altered, exemplifies an eighteenth century architectural and building style. It also is significant because it has been owned by the same family for over 150 years.

Notes

- 1 Land Records of Prince George's County, wills, T 1:143, Docket 1810.
- 2 Ibid.
- 3 Ibid. AB: 385, 1829.
- 4 Ibid. AD #959, 1873.
- 5 Ibid. 4947:156, 1978.
- 6 Conversation with J. Francis Summers, September 1985.

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Summers House				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Baden-Westwood Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Brandywine				
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Prince George's	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC				
Yes:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted				
<input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted				
<input type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific _____				
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: J. Francis Summers				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Brandywine			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Prince George's County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The old section of the house is a 1-1/2 story, frame structure with double chimneys on the west end. The main (north) facade is three bays with the entrance in the east bay. The doorway has a three-light transom. The windows are 9/6 double-hung sash. There are two dormers on both the front and rear facade. They have 6/6 double hung sash. The chimneys are external, the north rising 1-1/2 stories and the south, one story before tapering on stepped weathering to free-standing stacks. There is a pent connecting the double chimneys; the pent stands out farther from the wall than the stacks and has a 6/6 double hung sash window. At the loft level, there are two 4/4 double hung sash windows between the stacks.

In plan the house has an end hall and double parlors--making the house deep for its length. The parlors open off the hall; the trim details are Greek Revival, with circle blocks at the corners and fluted friezes on the mantlepieces.

There are several old tobacco barns on the property.

On the east end, a two story, frame addition runs at right angles to the main house.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
- 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 17 Jun 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

ALAN L. CRANDALL
5502 / 901
8.22 A. P.32

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BADEN-WESTWOOD RD.

LOT 1
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RICHARD R.
STONE, JR.
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EDWARD E.
VONGARLEM
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WALLACE R.
GARNER
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R. GARNER
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P.T. RICHARDS
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SUMMERS
LANE

T.A. CALLAWAY
5444 / 301
2.00A. P.37

W. W. BEAVERS
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AUL D. MATTHEWS
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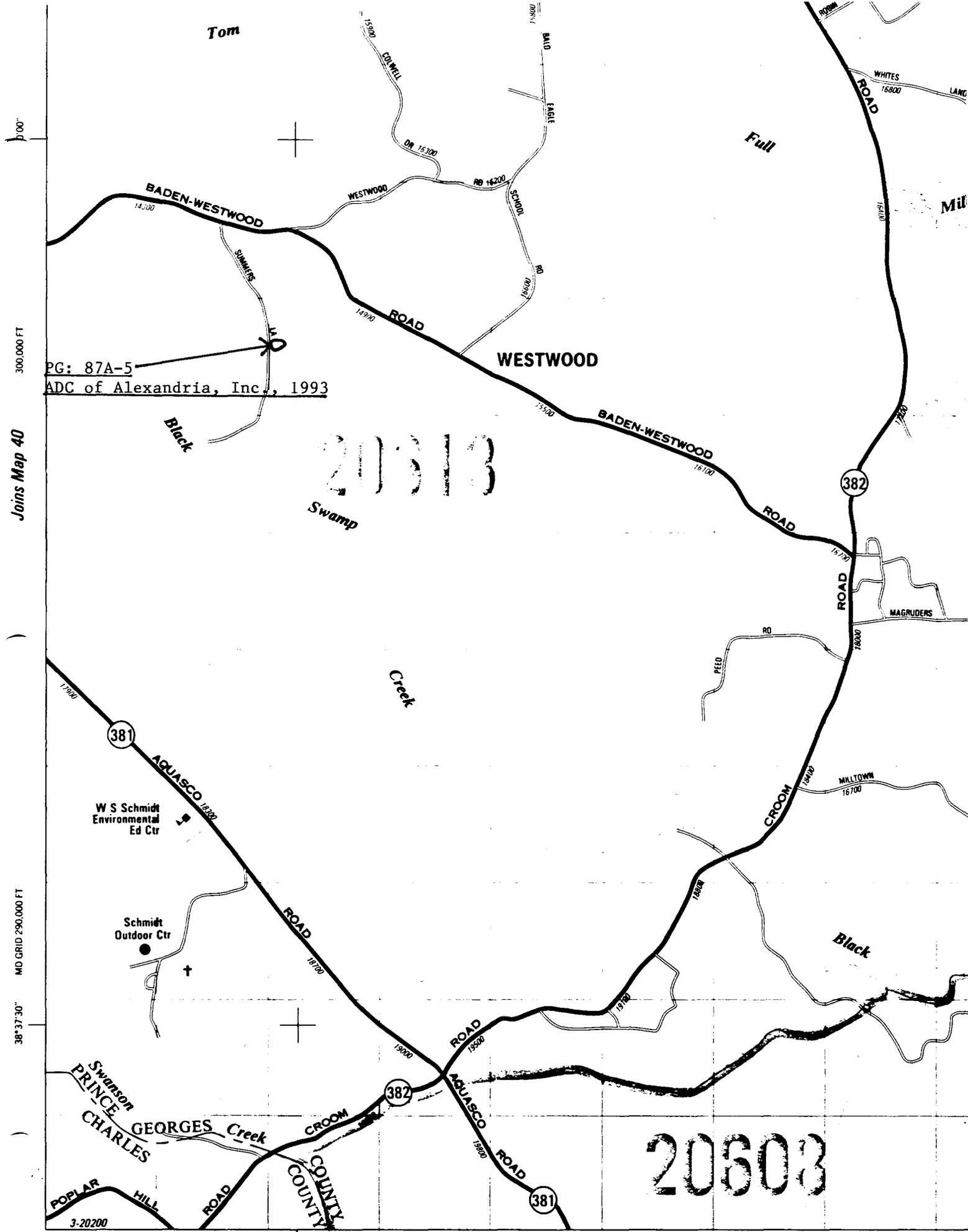
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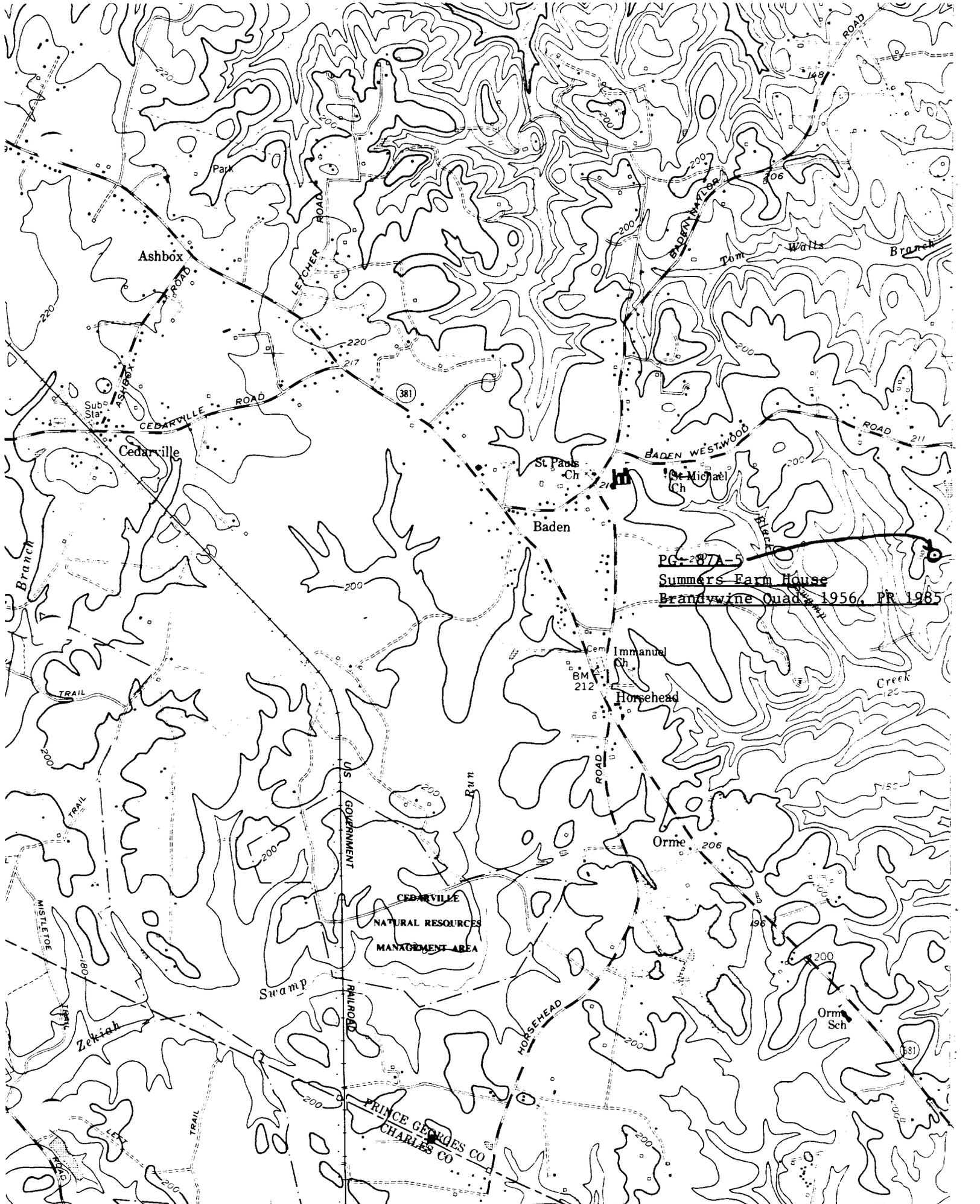
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Baden

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Summers Farm House

Brandwine Quad, 1956, PR 1985

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Horsehead

Orme

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NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT AREA

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CHARLES CO

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Summers Farm House

Prince George's County, Maryland

Marina King

May 1985

South elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Summers Farm House
Prince George's County, MD.
Marina King
May 1985
West elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Summer Farm House

Prince George's County, Maryland

Marina King

May 1985

Northeast facade

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Summers Farm House

Prince George's County, Maryland

Marina King

May 1985

North elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



NAME SUMMERS HOUSE # 87A-5

LOCATION BADEN - WESTWOOD Rd BADEN, Md

FACADE W

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NAME SUMMERS FARM - TOBACCO BARN # 87A-5
LOCATION BADEN - WESTWOOD Rd BADEN, Md
FACADE NE
PHOTO TAKEN 6/17/74 MDWYER