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S-146  
House  
Lower Fairmount  
Private

c. 1870

This modest two-story, two-bay dwelling stands on the south side of MD 361 in the dispersed community of houses known as Lower Fairmount. Plain corner pilasters and widely-spaced eave brackets trim the square house. A smaller kitchen wing extends from the south end. The history of this modest frame house has not been established, but the structure is typical for the area's water-based economy.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common House - Lower Fairmount

## 2. Location

street &amp; number Dirt lane south of Maryland 361 (Fairmount-Rumbley Road) \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Lower Fairmount  vicinity of congressional district 1

state Maryland county Somerset

## 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 checked="" 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

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clerk of Court liber

street &amp; number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. § S-146

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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			

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

The c. 1870 two-story two-bay by one room frame house stands by itself on the south side of MD 361 between the main cluster of houses in Lower Fairmount and the southern group.

The weatherboard frame house is supported by a minimal brick foundation and is covered by a medium pitched asphalt tile roof. The eaves are extended and detailed with brackets. A shorter story-and-a-half frame kitchen extends to the south.

The main house is lighted by two over two sash with louvered shutters. A heavily molded four-panel door occupies the southern bay of the two-bay main elevation. The north gable end has two 2/2 sash windows that flank an interior end brick stack with corbelled cap.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. S-146

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 type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input 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
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <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	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This modest two-story, two-bay third quarter of the 19th-century dwelling stands in the low-lying, poorly-drained land of Lower Fairmount along Maryland 361 between Upper Fairmount and Rumbley.

Plain corner pilasters and widely-spaced eave brackets trim the square house. A smaller kitchen wing extends from the south end.

The history of this modest frame house has not been established, but the structure typical for the area's 19th-century water-based economy. Its inland location in the low-lying, poorly-drained portion of the peninsula is linked to the building's date since the better land had long been improved by 18th and early 19th-century houses.

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name Marion

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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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
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state	code	county	code
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**11. Form Prepared By**

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city or town Princess Anne state Maryland

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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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Waters Island

157  
ISLAND

Salem Cem  
Manokin  
Wesley Ch  
Cem

Upper Hill

St Andrews Ch

Upper Fairmount  
S-164

St Stephens  
Cem

S-57

Christ Ch

Fairmount  
Cem

Landonville

S-100

S-149

S-165

Holland Point

Fairmount

Hall

Noble Creek

Myrtle Point

HOLLAND  
NECK

FAIRMOUNT NECK

MARION, MD  
QUADRANGLE

1972

Persimmon  
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S 146 HOUSE

LIFE MANAGEMENT AREA



House

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~~North~~ East Elevation

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East Elevation

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