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S-188
Bowland Farm
Near Kingston
Private

c. 1830-1850

Despite its remodeled and altered exterior, the Bowland Farmhouse is a noteworthy example of a house that was built in several stages beginning around 1830-1850. Structural evidence indicates the main house was built in two stages one room at a time. The western two-story portion appears to have been built around 1830 with the second half added within the following two decades. During the 19th-century, the house was extended again by a story-and-a-half addition to both the north (rear) and to the east.

The farm appears on the 1877 county atlas, belonging to E.S. Broughton, a farmer born in Somerset County in 1829.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Bowland Farm

2. Location

street & number End of Virginia Bowland Road not for publicationcity, town Kingston 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 checked="" 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 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 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 Virginia Bowland

street & number telephone no.: 623-8156

city, town Kingston, Maryland state and zip code 21871

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Register of Deeds liber

street & 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-188

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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 Bowland farmhouse is located at the end of Virginia Bowland Road; approximately one mile from the intersection with Charles Barnes Road. The Marumsco Creek borders the property on the east, and Kingston, Maryland, is located about one mile west of the farm.

The c. 1830-1850 two-story, four-bay by one room mortise and tenon frame house is covered by a steeply pitched asphalt tile roof and rests on a minimal brick foundation. The weatherboards have been covered with aluminum. Structural evidence indicates the main house was built in two stages--one room at a time. The western two-story portion appears to have been built around 1830 with the second section added within the following two decades. During the 19th century, the house was extended again by a story-and-a-half addition to both the north (rear) and to the east.

The main four-bay facade has two center doors opening into separate rooms along with another door on the second floor which used to open onto a flat roofed porch. Six over six sash windows occupy the remaining openings except for a single story bay window to the right of the front door. The porch is a recent alteration with its gable-front roof.

The west gable end of the main block consists of two windows on each floor with interior brick chimney rising between. Above the roofline the stack has been leveled, and the originally exposed fire wall has been covered with aluminum siding. Four pane attic windows also flank the chimney stack.

The east end retains its chimney above the roof line but is largely covered by the story-and-a-half kitchen wing.

The north facade of the main house is primarily covered by the story-and-a-half bedroom wing.

Interior woodwork dates from the second quarter of the 19th century with Greek Revival mantels and ogee and astragal door surround moldings. The winder stair is enclosed in the eastern room with a four-panel door. According to the owner, a sliding door in the closet next to the east end chimney was used to pass food through from the kitchen.

The second floor is finished in a simple manner with plain mantels. An enclosed stair rises to the attic and is paneled on the side. In the attic, the obsolete gable end framing of the initial house survives with remnants of weatherboarding nails on the outside face of each stud. The common rafter roof is lapped and pinned at the peak. The adjacent two-story addition is on a slightly lower level than the original house.

Surrounding the house are several early 20th-century farm buildings including chicken houses, wagon sheds, two corn cribs, and a block well house.

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

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.

1877 - E. S. Broughton - 132 acres, farmer - born in Somerset County - 1829.

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