

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery Inventory Number: SM-893
 Address: Point Lookout Road (MD 5) City: Scotland Zip Code: 20687
 County: Saint Marys USGS Topographic Map: Point Lookout
 Owner: United States of America
 Tax Parcel Number: 17 Tax Map Number: 73 Tax Account ID Number: 1901034103
 Project: Federal nomination Agency: Veterans Administration
 Site visit by MHT staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____
 Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended
 Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None
 Is the property located within a historic district? no yes Name of District: _____
 Is district listed? no yes Determined eligible? no yes District Inventory Number: _____
 Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Confederate remains are interred in a common mound. Originally, these Confederate POWs were buried in two cemeteries near the prison camp. In 1870, the State of Maryland had the remains removed to a better location about 1 mile inland. They were buried in a common mound as the individual graves could not be identified, the wooden headboards which marked the graves having been destroyed by fire several years before. In 1910, the State of Maryland requested the United States Government to assume the care of these dead in the same manner as was being done elsewhere and, towards that end, passed an Act relinquishing all right, title, and interest in the cemetery. The United States Government marked the common grave with a granite monument of reinforced concrete construction approximately 85' high. Twelve bronze tablets giving the names and commands of 3,383 known Confederate soldiers and showing 1 designated Unknown were affixed to the monument. The small white marble monument erected by the State of Maryland at the time of the reburial was removed to the original site (Tracts 1 & 2) about 1 mile from the United States monument (location in Tract 3). Under date of July 25, 1932, Tracts 1 and 2 (title to which had been vested in the United States in 1868) were declared by the Secretary of War to be surplus to military needs, and in May 1938 the monument erected by the State of Maryland was moved back to Tract 3, the present cemetery site. Tracts 1 and 2 were sold to private individuals in 1940 for \$105.

Prepared by: Gjore Mollenhoff, VA Date Prepared: _____

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

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MHT Comments:

Nancy Miller

August 10, 1979

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Date

Reviewer, NR Program

Date

NATIONAL CEMETERY DATA					
DATE September 30, 1977		NATIONAL CEMETERY SUPERVISING OFFICE PHILADELPHIA		CEMETERY POINT LOOKOUT CONFEDERATE CEM.	
ADDRESS Point Lookout St. Mary's County, Maryland			TELEPHONE NO. FTS 703-836-5214		LODGE NO. ROOMS OFFICE <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
SUPERINTENDENT DATA					
NAME (First, middle initial, last) Maintained by contract (See Note 3)		PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENT		LENGTH OF SERVICE	
GRADE		DATE OF GRADE		DATE OF ASSIGNMENT	
ACREAGE DATA					
DEVELOPED ACREAGE 1.03	UNDEVELOPED ACREAGE 0	TOTAL ACREAGE 1.03	MEANS OF ACQUIRING LAND Donation--1910		
INTERMENT AND GRAVESITE DATA					
FT	NO. OF INTERMENTS	TOTAL INTERMENTS 3,384 (See Note 2)	GRAVESITES USED 1	GRAVESITES RESERVED 0	GRAVESITES AVAILABLE 0
SECTIONS WITH PRIVATE MONUMENTS			GROUP INTERMENTS		
None			NO. OF GROUPS	NO. OF REMAINS	
HISTORICAL DATA					
ORIGINAL ESTABLISHMENT					
DATE 1864		TYPE OF INSTALLATION Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery			
AUTHORITY Act of Maryland General Assembly 1870-1874			IMPLEMENTED BY		
PRESENT ESTABLISHMENT					
DATE 1874		TYPE OF INSTALLATION (To United States in 1910) Confederate Cemetery			
AUTHORITY Act of 2-22-1867 (14 Stat 399) and Act of 3-9-1906 (34 Stat 56)			IMPLEMENTED BY		
FACTS OF SPECIAL HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Confederate remains are interred in a common mound. Originally, these Confederate POWs were buried in two cemeteries near the prison camp. In 1870, the State of Maryland had the remains removed to a better location about 1 mile inland. They were buried in a common mound as the individual graves could not be identified, the wooden headboards which marked the graves having been destroyed by fire several years before. In 1910, the State of Maryland requested the United States Government to assume the care of these dead in the same manner as was being done elsewhere and, towards that end, passed an Act relinquishing all right, title and interest in the cemetery. (See Note 2)					
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION AND TERRAIN Situated in St. Mary's County at Point Lookout, Maryland. The cemetery is located on Maryland State Highway 5. Cemetery may be reached from Washington, D.C. via Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E. across John Philip Sousa Bridge to Maryland; proceed to intersection with Branch Avenue. Continue on Branch Avenue, which becomes a part of Highway 5, to site approximately 80 miles from Washington, D.C. Terrain - low and level.					
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NOTE: Use reverse for additional remarks.					

POINT LOOKOUT CONFEDERATE CEMETERY

Miscellaneous Notes

1. Named by GO #4, WD, 1937.

2. The United States Government marked the common grave with a granite monument of reinforced concrete construction approximately 85' high. Twelve bronze tablets giving the names and commands of 3,383 known Confederate soldiers and showing 1 designated Unknown were affixed to the monument. The small white marble monument erected by the State of Maryland at the time of the reburial was removed to the original site (Tracts 1 & 2) about one mile from the United States monument (location in Tract 3). Under date of July 25, 1932, Tracts 1 and 2 (title to which had been vested in the United States in 1868) were declared by the Secretary of War to be surplus to military needs, and in May 1938 the monument erected by the State of Maryland was moved back to Tract 3, the present cemetery site. Tracts 1 and 2 were sold to private individuals in 1940 for \$105.



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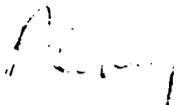
Miss Gjore Mollenhoff
Federal Agency Representative
Office of Construction
Veterans Administration
Washington, D. C. 20420

Dear Gjore:

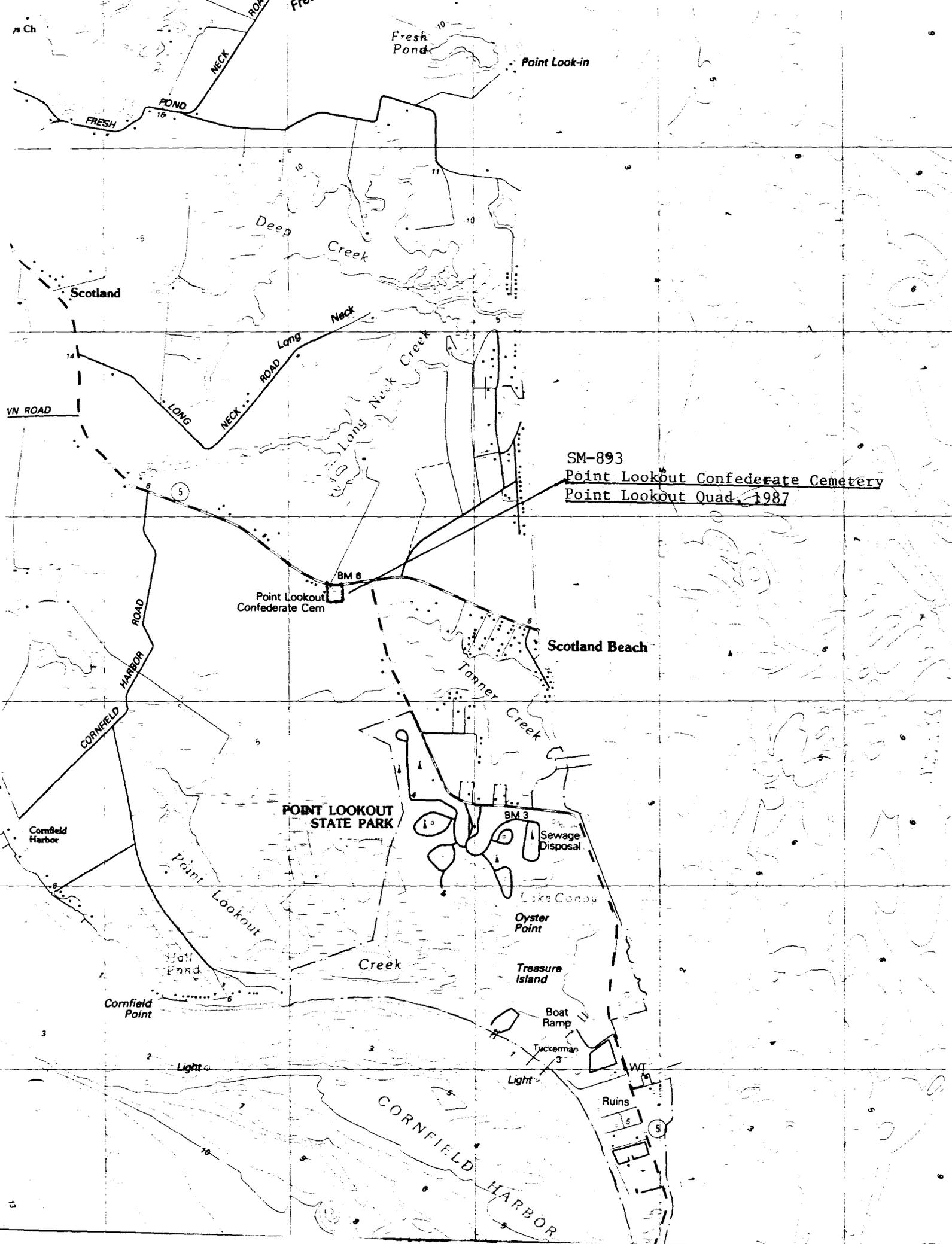
The Maryland State Historic Preservation Office concurs with the Veterans Administration that the following properties appear to meet the National Register criteria:

UAMC Fort Howard, Baltimore County
Annapolis National Cemetery, Anne Arundel County
Baltimore National Cemetery, Baltimore City
Loudon Park National Cemetery, Baltimore City
✓ Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery, St. Mary's County

Sincerely,


Nancy Miller
Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

NAM:mms



SM-893
Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery
Point Lookout Quad, 1987

Point Lookout
Confederate Cem

POINT LOOKOUT
STATE PARK

Sewage
Disposal

Like Condu

Oyster
Point

Treasure
Island

Boat
Ramp

Tuckerman

Light

Ruins

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