

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

Property Name: 17811 Reiff Church Road Inventory Number: WA-I-261
 Address: 17811 Reiff Church Road Historic district: yes no
 City: Hagerstown Zip Code: _____ County: Washington
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Hagerstown
 Property Owner: Preston Horst Tax Account ID Number: 495
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 2 Tax Map Number: 24
 Project: Hagerstown Airport 5-year CIP Agency: FAA
 Agency Prepared By: Martin Abbott, URS
 Preparer's Name: _____ Date Prepared: 9/1/2001
 Documentation is presented in: MIHP Form
 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 Listed: yes
 Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

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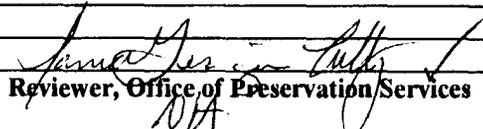
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
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MHT Comments:	
<u>Tania Georgiou Tully</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>Wednesday, October 17, 2001</u> Date
_____ Reviewer, National Register Program	_____ Date

Summary Table- Historic Architectural Resources

URS Survey No.	Resource	MIHP Inventory No.	Historic Resource	Date or Period	Style/Type	NRHP Status
2	Swisher-Martin Farmstead	WA-I-247	Barn and Outbuildings	c. 1880	n/a	NE
3	18910 Air View Road	WA-I-479	Farm Complex	c. 1910	Duplex-Type	NE
4	14201 Pennsylvania Avenue	WA-I-470	Dwelling	1916	Four-square	NE
5	14511 Byers Road	WA-I-694	Dwelling	1897	Side-gabled vernac.	NE
6	14225 Basore Road	WA-I-695	Dwelling	Mid-20th c.	Cape Cod	NE
7	14216 Maugansville Road	WA-I-696	Dwelling	1926	Four-square	NE
8	14219 Maugansville Road	WA-I-697	Dwelling	Late-19th c.	n/a	NE
9	14220 Maugansville Road	WA-I-698	Dwelling	Mid-20th c.	Cape Cod	NE
10	14225 Maugansville Road	WA-I-703	Dwelling	Late-19th c.	Side-gabled vernac.	NE
11	14402 Maugansville Road	WA-I-699	Farm Complex	moved 1925	Duplex-Type	NE
12	17701 Reiff Church Road	WA-I-701	Farm Complex	Mid-19th c.	Duplex-Type	NE
13	17706 Reiff Church Road	WA-I-702	Dwelling	Late-19th c.	Side-gabled vernac.	NE
14	17806 Reiff Church Road	WA-I-262	Farm Complex	c. 1855	Duplex-Type	NE
15	17811 Reiff Church Road	WA-I-261	Farm Complex	1790	Duplex-Type	NE
16	14204 Daley Road	WA-I-700	Dwelling	Late-19th c.	Duplex-Type	NE

E = Eligible
NE = Not Eligible

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: _____	

 Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	10/2/10 Date
Reviewer, NR program	Date

WA-I-261

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. WA-I-261

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other

2. Location

street and number 17811 Reiff Church Rd. __ not for publication

city, town Hagerstown x vicinity

county Washington

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

name Preston Horst

street and number 17811 Reiff Church Road telephone

city, town Hagerstown state MD zip code 21740

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washington County Register of Deeds Office liber 646 folio 151

city, town Hagerstown tax map 24 tax parcel 2 tax ID number 496

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: Previous Survey Form (WA-I-261)

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	3	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	_____	sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	_____	structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	_____	objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	3	Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	

7. Description

Inventory No. WA-I-261

Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

17811 Reiff Church Road's main block is a stone, two-and-one-half story, four-bay, two-pile, side-gabled, duplex-type dwelling. The duplex type is defined by a four-bay front facade with a pair of front doors in the inner bays. The resource faces south. The stone is native limestone and is rough cut and laid in regular course on the front façade. On the side and rear facades, the stone is uncut and without coursing. The side-gabled roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Two interior brick chimneys are located at each gable end. A datestone, with the year 1790 and the initials M.B., is located in the west gable end. The dwelling has a simple wood cornice with gable end returns. Window openings are rectangular and contain one-over-one replacement sash. The front doors have rectangular transom windows. The dwelling contains a full-width, single-story front porch with a half-hipped roof. The porch has turned post supports with decorative brackets and was added to the main block sometime in the late nineteenth century.

A two-and-one-half story section is attached to the main block's west end. It has a stone foundation and its exterior walls are covered with stucco and aluminum siding. A brick gable end chimney is located at its west end. (A 1977 survey form speculates that this section may be of brick construction.) A single story enclosure with aluminum siding, originally partially a porch similar to the one on the front façade, is located on the north façade.

A butchering business, Horst's Meats, is operated out of the numerous outbuildings located in the vicinity of the dwelling. Most of the outbuildings are modern. The bank barn was built circa 1900 and has been modernized with a concrete block foundation and replacement vertical board siding. A brick smokehouse located east of the house retains its original fabric.

8. Significance

Inventory No. WA-I-261

Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates house – 1790, barn – c. 1900

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

Based upon the datestone visible in the west gable, 17811 Reiff Church Road was built in 1790. The dwelling is depicted on the 1859 Taggart map and the 1877 Lake, Griffing, & Stevenson atlas as owned by David Horst. The first member of the Horst family in Washington County was John Horst, a Mennonite farmer who moved from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania in 1837 and settled in the area northwest of Hagerstown. John Horst and his wife had eleven children, including David. The Horst's still own 17811 Reiff Church Road.

17811 Reiff Church Road does not appear eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, C, or D (as specified in 36 CFR 60.4). The resource does not appear significant for its method of construction or architecture (Criterion C). 17811 Reiff Church Road represents an early example of the duplex type, a common building type in Washington County that originated with the migration of Pennsylvania Germans into the county during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. 17811 Reiff Church Road has been altered from its original appearance, compromising its architectural integrity. This resource was documented on an MHT survey form in 1977 and changes since then include the replacement of window sash, the enclosure of the rear porch, the application of stucco and aluminum siding on the two-story west section. As a result of these changes, the property's integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and feeling has been compromised. Archival research conducted at local and county libraries and historical societies, and investigations of cultural resource studies at MHT have produced no information indicating the resource to be significant for its associations with significant events or persons, or for its ability to yield information important in prehistory or history (Criteria A, B, and D).

Bibliography

Lake, Griffing, & Stevenson

1877 *An Illustrated Atlas of Washington County, Maryland*. Lake, Griffing, & Stevenson, Philadelphia. On file at the Western Maryland Room, Washington County Free Library, Hagerstown, MD.

Taggart, Thomas

1859 *A Map of Washington Co. Maryland*. On file at Washington County Historical Society, Hagerstown, MD.

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

1977 Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form – Diamond Square Farm (WA-I-261). On file at the Washington County Historical Society, Hagerstown, MD.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Inventory No. WA-I-261

See Section 8

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 92.68 acres
Acreage of historical setting _____
Quadrangle name Mason-Dixon

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

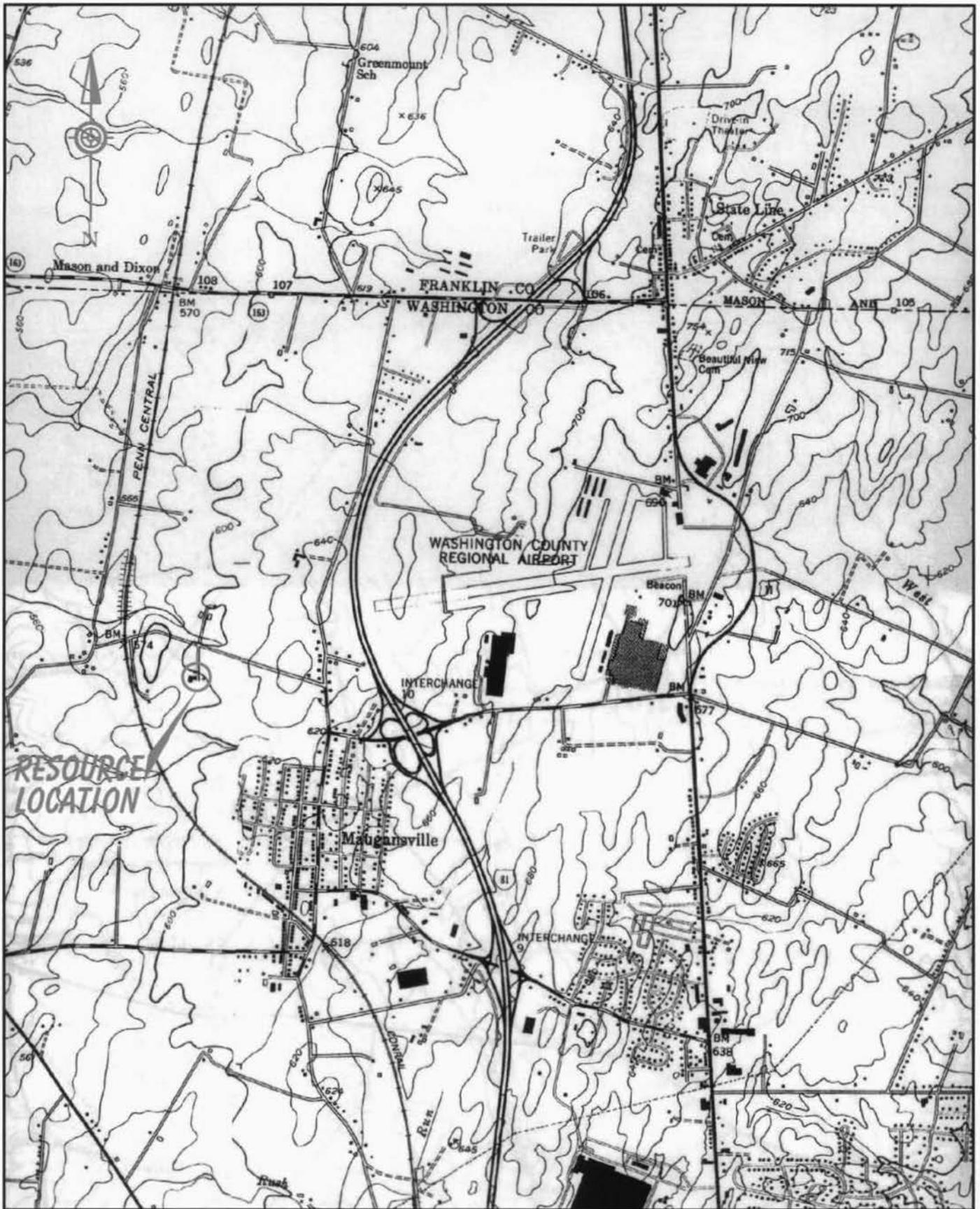
11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Martin Abbot, Architectural Historian		
organization	URS Corporation	date	September, 2001
street & number	671 Moore Road	telephone	610-337-3666
city or town	King of Prussia	state	PA

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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600



RESOURCE
LOCATION

PROPERTY: 17811 Reiff Church Road

(URS Survey No. 15)

INVENTORY NUMBER: WA-I-261

HAGERSTOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY

HAGERSTOWN/MASON-DIXON USGS QUADRANGLE

URS



WA-I-261

17811 REIFF CHURCH RD.

Washington County, MD

Martin Abbot

8-6-01

URS Corp. 671 Moore Rd.

King of Prussia PA

Looking S @ rear ~~end~~ elevation
from entrance driveway

1/6

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17811 REIFF CHURCH RD.

Washington County, MD

Martin Abbot

8-6-01

URS Corp. 671 Moore Rd
King of Prussia PA

Looking N @ front elevation

2/6

< > 008 73-01 3CCNN-03AU 0083



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17811 Reiff Church Rd.
Washington County, Md

Martin Abbot

8-6-01

URS Corp., 671 Moore Rd.
King of Prussia, PA

Looking SW @ house w/
smokehouse to left

3/6

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WA-I-261

17811 Reiff Church Rd.

Washington County, MD

Martia Abbot

8-6-01

JRS Corp., 671 Moore Rd.

King of Prussia, PA

Cooking SE @ house

4/6

0071 73-02 NNNNN-8840 0203



WA-I-261

17811 REIFF CHURCH RD.
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MD

MARTIN AIRBOT

8-6-01

URS Corp. 671 Moore Rd.
King of Prussia PA

Looking SE @ Smokehouse

5/6

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#WA-E-261

17811 Reiff Church Rd.

Washington County, MD

Martin Abbot

8-6-01

URS Corp. 671 Moore Rd.
King of Prussia PA

Looking SW @ barn complex

6/6

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ABSTRACT

WA-I-261

1790

"Diamond Square Farm"
Maugansville Vicinity
private

Although extensively altered at the exterior, this two story, four bay stone farmhouse built in 1790 provides an example of the type of housing that was in use late in the 18th century in Washington County. Constructed of the native limestone over the four bay, two front door plan, the house reflects Pennsylvania building traditions.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

"Diamond Square Farm"

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Reiff's Church Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

 VICINITY OF **Cearfoss-Maugansville**

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland**Washington****3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

 DISTRICT BUILDING(S) STRUCTURE SITE OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

 PUBLIC PRIVATE BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION** IN PROCESS BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

 OCCUPIED UNOCCUPIED WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE** YES, RESTRICTED YES, UNRESTRICTED NO

PRESENT USE

 AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Jacob E. Horst

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 6, Box 186

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.**Washington County Court House**Liber #: **216**Folio #: **537**

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

NR 1 367

7 DESCRIPTION

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 > 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farmhouse is located at the end of a private lane leading in a southerly direction from Reiff's Church Road just east of the Penn Central Railroad between Maugansville and Cearfoss in Washington County, Maryland.

The structure is a two story, four bay dwelling constructed of native limestone which displays careful coursing at the front elevation. It stands on relatively level ground and faces south. Set high in the west gable is a datestone with an arched top and trimmed in brick, indicating the year 1790 and the initials M.B. The rear elevation of the house displays masonry with less attention given to coursing. Attached to the west gable end of the stone structure is a two story, three bay wooden section which is possibly of log construction.

Windows in the stone house appear to be arranged symmetrically at the front elevation. All have had their original frames replaced with late 19th or early 20th century woodwork. Some window frames retain hinge pins for shutters. The first story windows at the rear of the house are topped with flat arches. The arches which are presumably at the front elevation are covered by the roof of a one story, Victorian period porch. All windows have two over two pane sashes which are not original. The wooden section has two over two pane windows surrounded by wide architraves.

The stone house has two front doors centered in the south elevation. Both are treated similarly with narrow transoms above the doors. Alterations in the masonry at the back of the house suggest that a door was present there at one time.

The house is roofed with what appears to be an early type of asphalt shingle. The roof extends beyond the end walls of the house. Small brick chimneys with corbeling at their tops are located inside each end wall. An exterior chimney also of brick extends up the west end wall of the wooden section.

A small brick outbuilding is located east of the house. A large barn is located to its west. The buildings appear to be in good condition and stand on a tract containing 113.18 acres.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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"/> 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 **Datestone-1790 M.B.** BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The farm has been in the Horst family since the mid 19th century (IN7/506). It includes parts of the land grants "Diamond Square," "The Swamp" and "Goodwill."

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 113.18 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

March 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

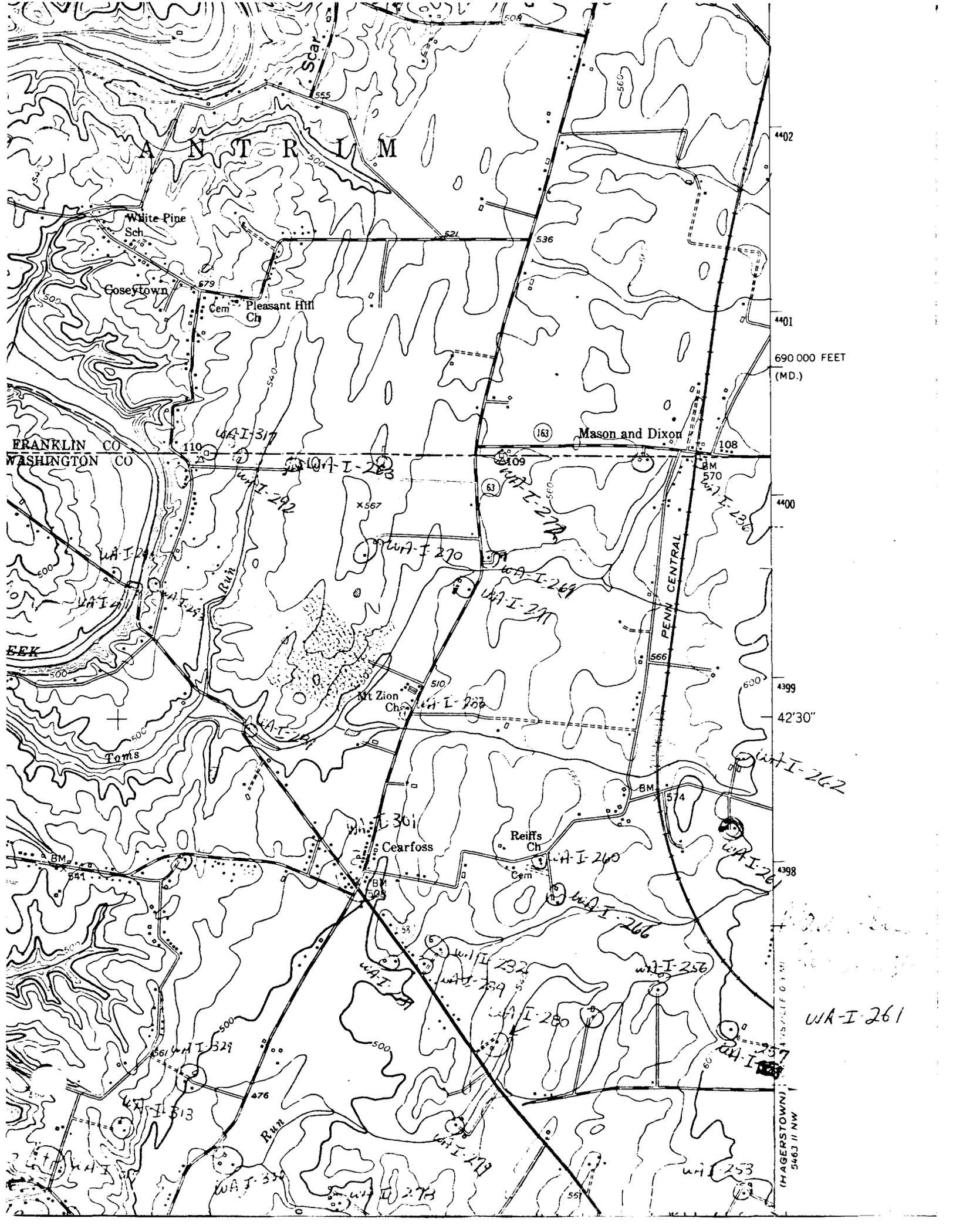
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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WASHINGTON CO

Mason and Dixon

PENN CENTRAL

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(MD.)

4400
4399
42'30"

4398

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(HAGERSTOWN)
5463 11 NW



WA-1-261

Diamond Square Farm

From south



WA-1-261

Diamond Square Farm

From north



WA-1-261

Diamond Square Farm

From west



WA-1-261

Diamond Square Farm

From east.



WA-I 261

DIAMOND SQUARE FARM

S.W.

Dec. 1974

THESE NOTES
WAS TAKEN FROM THE
RECORDS OF THE
FARMERS UNION



1917-261 DIAMOND SQUARE FARM

N. Co.

Dec. 17, 1927

PAULA STONER DICKEY
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HISTORICAL SITES SURVEY