

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: The Stone Farmstead/ Black Walnut Farm Inventory Number: WA-I-461
 Address: 11901 Greencastle-Williamsport Pike City: Hagerstown Zip Code: 21740
 County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Mason Dixon Quadrangle
 Owner: Beckley, Walter and Dorothy Is the property being evaluated a district? No
 Tax Parcel Number: 1 Tax Map Number: 48 Tax Account ID Number: 24-000265
 Project: Proposed Baer Property Cell Tower Agency: FCC
 Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____
 Is the property located within a historic district? yes no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
 NR-listed district yes Eligible district yes District Name: _____
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)
 Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes no

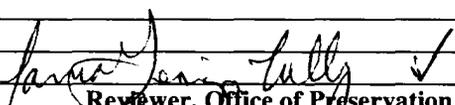
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None
 Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MD Historical Trust Inventory Form, 1978

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

WA-I-461 The Stone Farmstead/Black Walnut Farm 11901 Greencastle-Williamsport Pike
 The complex of agricultural buildings consists of native limestone bank barn with a 1-story frame shed-roof addition and two silos along with several frame agricultural buildings. The bank barn has projecting granaries and a gable roof that is sheathed with standing seam metal. The stone residence recorded by the state in 1978 is not extant.

The bank barn as a building type is closely associated with the mid-Atlantic region and is identified with areas settled by people of German or English origins. The type obtains its name from being constructed so that one wall is built into a natural or man-made embankment. The building is highly efficient as it combines many functions, such as stabling, stalling, crop storage, and processing within one building. The efficiency that is provided by its design built its reputation as an important development of progressive scientific farming. This building dating from the second quarter of the 19th Century represents an early period of agricultural reform when ideas of consolidating farm functions under a single roof were gaining popularity.

The barn is setback from Williamsport Pike along a narrow country road in an area that retains its rural character. Despite the loss of the farmhouse, the bank barn is a unique local example of early technology and its continued use is a testimony of the

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Eligibility recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: _____	
 Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>4/11/03</u> Date
 Reviewer, NR Program	<u>4/11/03</u> Date

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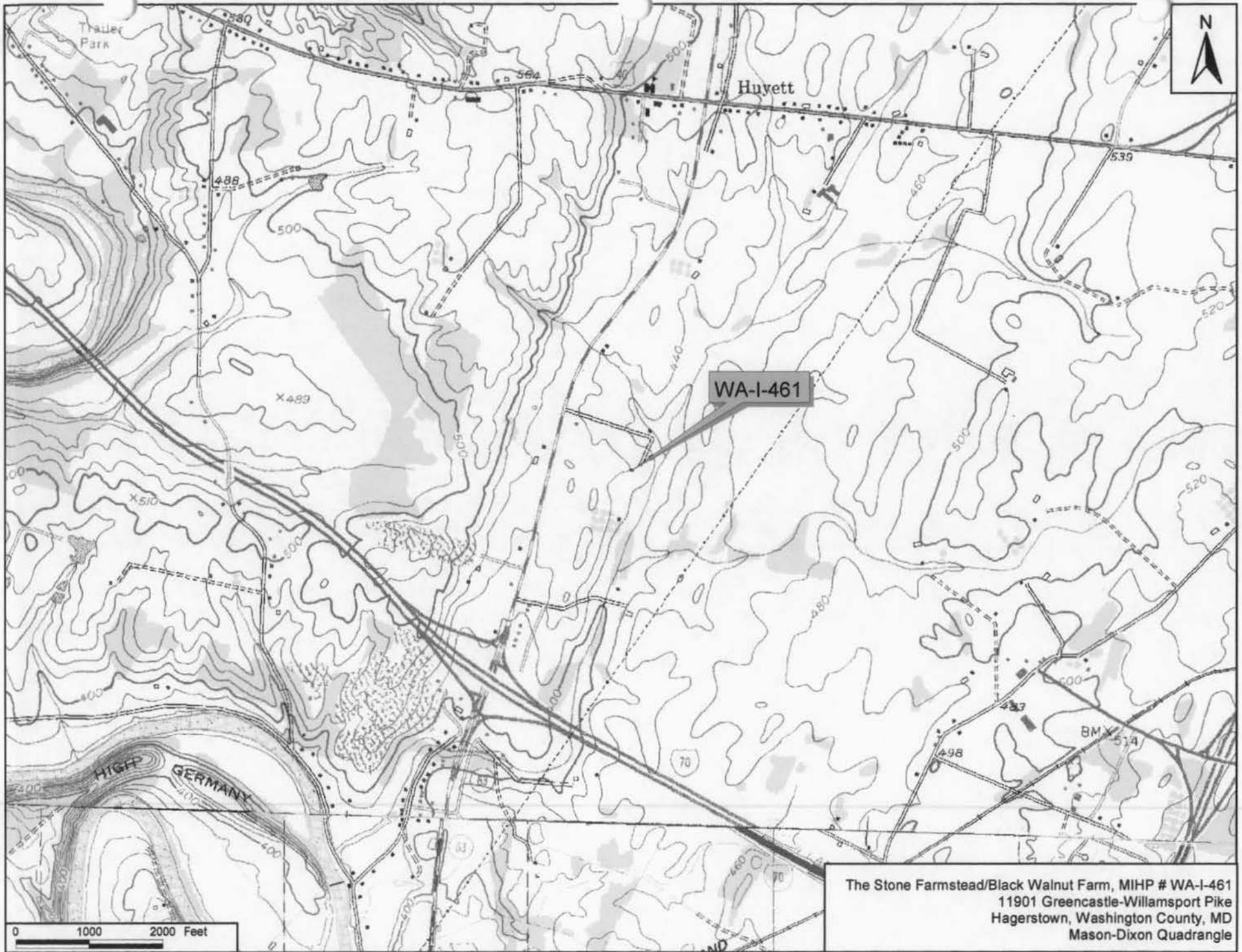
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success of the early reforms in agriculture occurring in the region and in Washington County. The limestone bank barn is eligible for listing on the National Register.

Prepared by: Kristie Lalire

Date Prepared: 3/10/2003



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Hagerstown, Washington County, MD
Mason-Dixon Quadrangle



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11901 Greencastle - Williamsport Pike

Hagerstown

Washington Co, MD

photographer Kristie Lalire, 3/8/2003

east facade

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STANDARD DIGITAL PHOTOCOPYING
SERIALS ACQUISITION
300 N ZEEB RD
ANN ARBOR MI 48106-1500



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Hagerstown,

Washington, Co, MD

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one (a) side

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east and south elevations

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PHOTOGRAPH BY GUY A. LAWRENCE
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viewed facing southwest

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viewshed (barn is at left of photo)

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ABSTRACT

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Stone Farmstead
Hagerstown Vicinity
private

19th Century

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Stone Farmstead

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East of Route 63

CITY, TOWN

Near Huyett

VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Pearl Beckley

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 2

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 #: 204

Folio #: 403

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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 type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farmstead is located at the end of a private lane which extends in an easterly direction from Maryland Route 63, the Williamsport-Greencastle Pa. Pike, south of Huyetts Crossroads in Washington County, Maryland. The house and barn are both built of the native limestone and stand on a ridge of ground surrounded by outcrops with the house facing east and the barn southeast.

The house is a two story three bay structure of coursed stone with a recessed two story, two bay wing extending to the south. The wing may be contemporary with the main section or it may be an addition of a few years later. There is no decorative masonry associated with the exterior of the building. The north or main section has large stone lintels above the openings. The north section is quite broad having two widely spaced windows at each story in its north end wall.

Windows have narrow frames finished with a bead at the inside edge. Nine over six pane double hung sashes are used at the first story while six over six windows are present at the second story level. The main entrance is located in the south end bay of the front elevation. The six panel door is hung beneath a three light transom. Entrances in the wing also have six panel doors but do not have transoms. They are located in the second bay from the south end wall at the first and second story levels. The upper door opens onto a double porch included under the roof span of the wing.

Roofing terminates flush with the end walls of the house. Inside end chimneys are of brick.

Just south of the house is a stone outbuilding which appears to be a springhouse. The barn is a large stone structure with projecting stone granaries. Typically the end walls have vertical slits for ventilation.

The buildings appear to be in fair to good condition and stand on a farm containing 119.03 acres.

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	
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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<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	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 119.03 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

January 1978

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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