

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Anita Rice House Survey Number: WA-I-692

Project: I-70 at MD 632 Interchange Agency: FHWA/SHA

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

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Based on the information provided, the Anita Rice house, located north of the MD 632/I-70 intersection south of Hagerstown, does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for individual listing. The two story frame house is thought to date to the first decade of the twentieth century. Modest in size and character, its only ornamentation is provided by the cross gable and wooden window surrounds. The house has been altered with the application of asphalt siding, the replacement of the front porch and construction of a rear addition. The An example of a common vernacular house type, the Anita Rice House does not appear to possess any particular architectural significance and thus is unlikely to be eligible under Criterion C. It is not known to have any association with significant events or people, and thus is unlikely to be eligible under Criteria A or B. It is not located in an area which would constitute an historic district.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Report, Maryland Inventory
form WA-I-692

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Elizabeth Hannold February 23, 1996
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
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Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic-single family dwelling

Known Design Source: na

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common ANITA RICE HOUSE

2. Location

street & number DOWNSVILLE PIKE AT I-70 not for publicationcity, town HAGERSTOWN vicinity of congressional district

state MARYLAND county WASHINGTON

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" 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 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 type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name ANITA V. RICE

street & number 10662 DOWNSVILLE PIKE telephone no.: (301) 733-6091

city, town HAGERSTOWN state and zip code MARYLAND 21740

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT HOUSE liber

street & number WEST WASHINGTON STREET folio

city, town HAGERSTOWN state MARYLAND 21740

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. WA-I-692

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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.

SEE ATTACHED CONTINUATION SHEETS

8. Significance

Survey No. WA-I-692

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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" 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: 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.

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Description

The Anita Rice House (parcel 408) is located approximately 0.2 km (1/4 mi) north of the intersection of MD 632 at I-70. The Anita Rice House occupies a site on the east side of MD 632 on a slight curve in the road. The house is oriented east towards MD 632. The house is situated in a low density, residential area surrounded by modern, single family dwellings. The house is bordered to the south by a one-story, single family dwelling and a park owned by the Washington County Parks Commission. A two-story, brick dwelling is located north of the house at the intersection of Halfway Boulevard.

The Anita Rice House (parcel 408) is a vernacular, two-story, wood frame dwelling constructed ca. 1900-1910. The house adopts a rectangular ground plan. The building consists of a two-story core and small one story rear addition. The design of the building does not incorporate stylistic ornamentation. The original wood clapboard siding of the building has been sheathed with asphalt shingles. All the windows are two-over-two light, double-hung wood sash units with simple wood surrounds.

The wood-frame building core is three bays wide and one room deep. The building rests on a random rubble foundation. The building features a gable roof with a projecting center gable on the primary (west) elevation. The roof is sheathed with metal standing seam panels. Interior-end chimneys mark the gable-ends of the roof. A simple, wooden box-cornice defines the building eaves. The primary (west) elevation of the building core features a central wood paneled door with simple wood surrounds that is surmounted by a three light transom. The door is flanked by a two-over-two light, double-hung, wood-sash windows with simple wood surrounds. The second floor exhibits three, symmetrically aligned windows that are two-over-two light, double-hung, wood-sash units with simple wood surrounds. A four-light, wooden-sash window is located in the central projected gable. A one-story, hipped porch supported by four circular wood posts extends across the front elevation. The lower halves of the circular wooden posts have been replaced by four poured concrete piers. The wood posts and concrete piers are supported by a poured concrete slab foundation. Semi-circular engaged posts mark the corners where the porch adjoins the building.

The second floor, rear (west) elevation of the building core features three, symmetrically aligned windows of two-over-two light, double-hung sash design. The first floor of the rear (west) elevation is obscured by a one-story, wood-frame addition.

Both floor of the north elevation are marked by a single two-over-two light double hung wood sash window with simple wood surrounds. A four-light, wood-frame window is locate on the gable- end. The south elevation of the building is identical in design to the north elevation, with the exception of the window location.

The rear, wood-frame, one-story addition extends across the west elevation of the building core. The rear addition rests on a concrete block foundation. The addition features a low pitched shed roof sheathed in composition shingles. The walls of the addition are clad with asphalt shingles, as is the entire building. The rear addition is two bays wide and one room deep.

The rear elevation of the addition features an exterior concrete block chimney that is located at the center of the wall. The chimney extends above the second story level of the main structure. The chimney is flanked on the north by a door opening that has been infilled with a small, two-over-two light, double-hung, wood- sash window. The lower half of the door opening below the window is infilled with vertical wood siding. The chimney is flanked on the south by a door bay that has been infilled with wood siding. None of the original wooden door surround survive.

The north elevation of the addition features a wood-paneled, single-light door that is flanked to the west by a small, two-over-two light, double-hung, wood-sash window. The south elevation of the addition features a two-over-two light, double-hung, wood-sash window.

Access to the interior of the house was not possible under the current investigation. The exterior configuration of the building suggests that the dwelling may adopt an I-House plan characterized by a central hall with flanking rooms. The rear (west) addition appears to be divided into two rooms and most likely served as a kitchen.

The building has been vacant for several years and is deteriorated substantially. A sag in the ridge line suggests that the roof framing may be in poor condition. The stacks of the interior brick chimneys are falling and the original horizontal wood siding exhibits evidence of water damage.

Summary

The Anita Rice House is located approximately 0.2 km (1/4 mi) north of the intersection of MD 632 at I-70. The Anita Rice House is an example of a simple vernacular dwelling constructed ca. 1900-1910.

The complex was evaluated for those qualities of integrity and significance identified in the National Register of Historic Places criteria (36 CFR 60.4 [a-d]). The design and physical characteristics of the complex were analyzed for their potential local significance during the period of Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930 A.D.) in the area of agriculture and architecture as defined in the Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan (Maryland Trust 1986).

Site-specific History

The area occupied by the Anita Rice House was once part of a larger eighteenth century land patent containing portions "Black Oak Ridge", "Heistertown" and "David's Contentment".

During the late nineteenth century, the area occupied by the Anita Rice House (parcel 408) was acquired by the Stockslager family. On March 23, 1897, Jacob R. Stockslager purchased of 115 acres property located on the Downsville Pike from Jacob Roessner. The 1897 purchase contained portions of several early patents including "Black Oak Ridge", "Heistertown" and "David's Contentment" (Washington County Land Records 106: 319). Jacob R. Stockslager owned the adjoining farm located northwest of the property. He had inherited the adjoining farm in 1879 following the death of his father, G. H Stockslager. Jacob R. Stockslager, like his father, was a prosperous farmer and devote Lutheran (Williams 1906: 1077). Jacob R. Stockslager and his wife, Mary Elizabeth had eight children, all of whom were raised on the farm.

Jacob Stockslager is credited with the construction of the ca. 1900-1910 two-story, wood-frame, vernacular house (parcel 408) located south of the intersection of Halfway Boulevard and the Downsville Pike. In August 9, 1927 Mary E. Stockslager (widow) sold a portion of the farm containing the two-story, wood-frame, vernacular house to her son, Albert L. Stockslager and his wife Nelle A. Stockslager (Washington County Land Records 94: 178). They resided in the house until 1945, when they sold the house and adjoining property to William D. Rice and Anita V. Rice (Washington County Land Records 232: 183). In that same year, the Rices constructed a two-story, brick house on the adjoining lot (parcel 210) north of the frame dwelling. The Maryland State Road Administration purchased a right-way from the Rice family in 1952 for the expansion of the Downsville Pike, which is located to the west of the older house. The use of the Anita Rice House (parcel 408) during the later half of the twentieth century is unknown; the house currently is vacant.

Conclusion

The Anita Rice House is an example of a simple vernacular dwelling constructed ca. 1900-1910. Archival investigation does not suggest that the Rice House is associated with important events or with personages significant in the past (Criteria A & B). The building does not embody a distinctive characteristics of type, period or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master, nor does it possess high artistic (Criteria C). The Anita Rice House is a modest example of a simple vernacular building, adopting a common I house form. The house retains its

original form, materials, workmanship and design from its period of construction. Though retaining its overall integrity the Anita Rice House does not possess those qualities of significance as defined by the National Register of Historic Places criteria for elevation. The Anita Rice is similar in design and construction to numerous other early twentieth century examples found throughout the Washington.

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION

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Continuation sheets

Maps:

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

USGS Quadrangle

Plat Map

Photographs

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data:

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Periods:

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Modern Period, A.D. 1930-Present

Historic Period Themes:

Architecture

Resource Type:

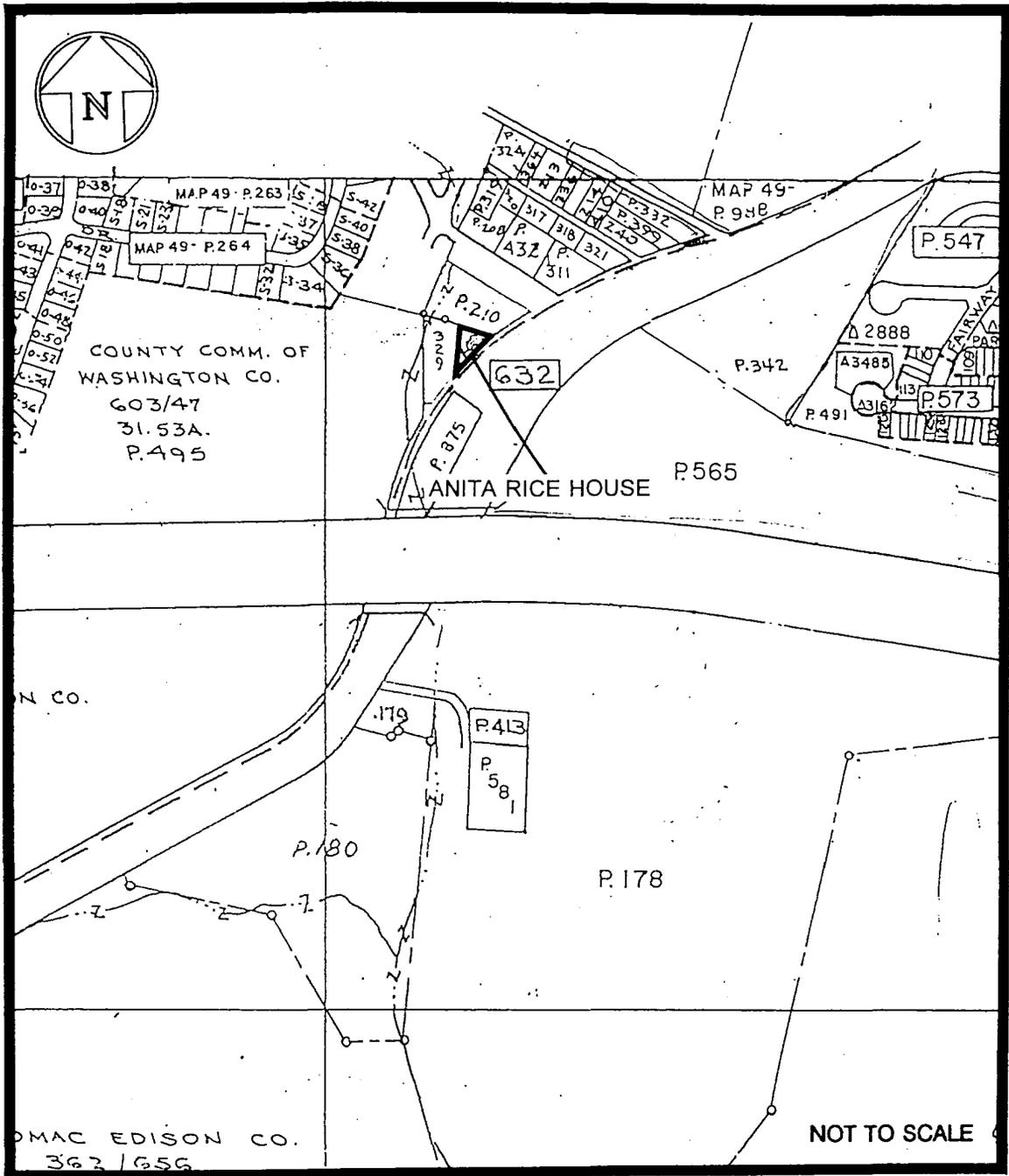
Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Domestic/single dwelling/residence

Known Design Source: none



Washington County Land Records Plat Book, depicting Anita Rice House.

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Photographer: W. Patrick Giglio

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Anita Rice House

Washington Co, MD

W. Patrick Galt,

December 1995

R. Christopher Goodwin & Assoc. Inc.

View North, East Principal Elevation

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Anita Rice House

Washington Co., MD

W. Patrick Gyles

December 1965

R. C. Fisher, Designer & Assoc. Inc.

View West, East Principal Elevation

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