

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Dellinger Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number End of dirt road from south side of Route 68,  
west of Cedar Ridge Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Pinesburg  vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district

state Maryland county Washington

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
___ site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

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

name

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ telephone no.:

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. \_\_\_\_\_ liber

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ folio

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

# 7. Description

Survey No. WA-V-250

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" 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.

The Dellinger Farm is located at the end of a long dirt road from the south side of Route 68, west of Cedar Ridge Road near Pinesburg. The farm contains a large brick house, a stone and frame bank barn, and frame corncrib. The complex is set in rolling farmland. To the east of the buildings, however, the western end of a gravel operation at Pinesburg Station is an intrusion on the landscape and setting of the farm.

The house and barn are both unusually large and substantial for this area; according to the current owner, the farm property once extended south to the Potomac River. The house is 2½ stories high, gable-roofed, and faces east; it is built into a slight bank that slopes from west to east. It has a main block and ell of the same height. The main block of the house is five bays wide by two deep, and its general size and proportions are larger, wider, and higher than many similar brick farmhouses in the area. There are two brick interior end chimneys on the main block and one on the ell.

The principal (east) facade contains five 6/6 double-hung sash windows on the second story, all surmounted by brick jack arches. The first floor has a central doorway flanked on each side by two windows like those above. The wide doorway is framed by a transom and sidelights. A one-story wooden porch with turned posts extends across this facade and is reached by wooden stairs. The gable ends, ell, and west elevation of the house contain windows like those on the principal facade. The west elevation contains a doorway in the north end bay. In the attic story of the south gable end of the main block is a date stone which was not completely legible to the surveyor; it contains the name Dellinger, the date 1863, and other words. The owner verifies that Dellinger was the builder of the house.

The large bank barn on the property is located to the southwest of the house. It is built into a bank sloping from west to east, and has a characteristic forebay on the east side and large doors on the west side. The base of the barn is built of limestone; this is visible on the underside of the forebay, on the foundation walls of the gable ends, and on the west side where the stonework is higher and forms the west wall of the barn. The doors in this wall are flanked by a slightly projecting stone outshot on each side. Above the stonework, the barn is of frame construction. To the east of the barn and south of the house is a frame corncrib and another small frame building. All the buildings in the complex appear to be well maintained and have very few exterior alterations.

# 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 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

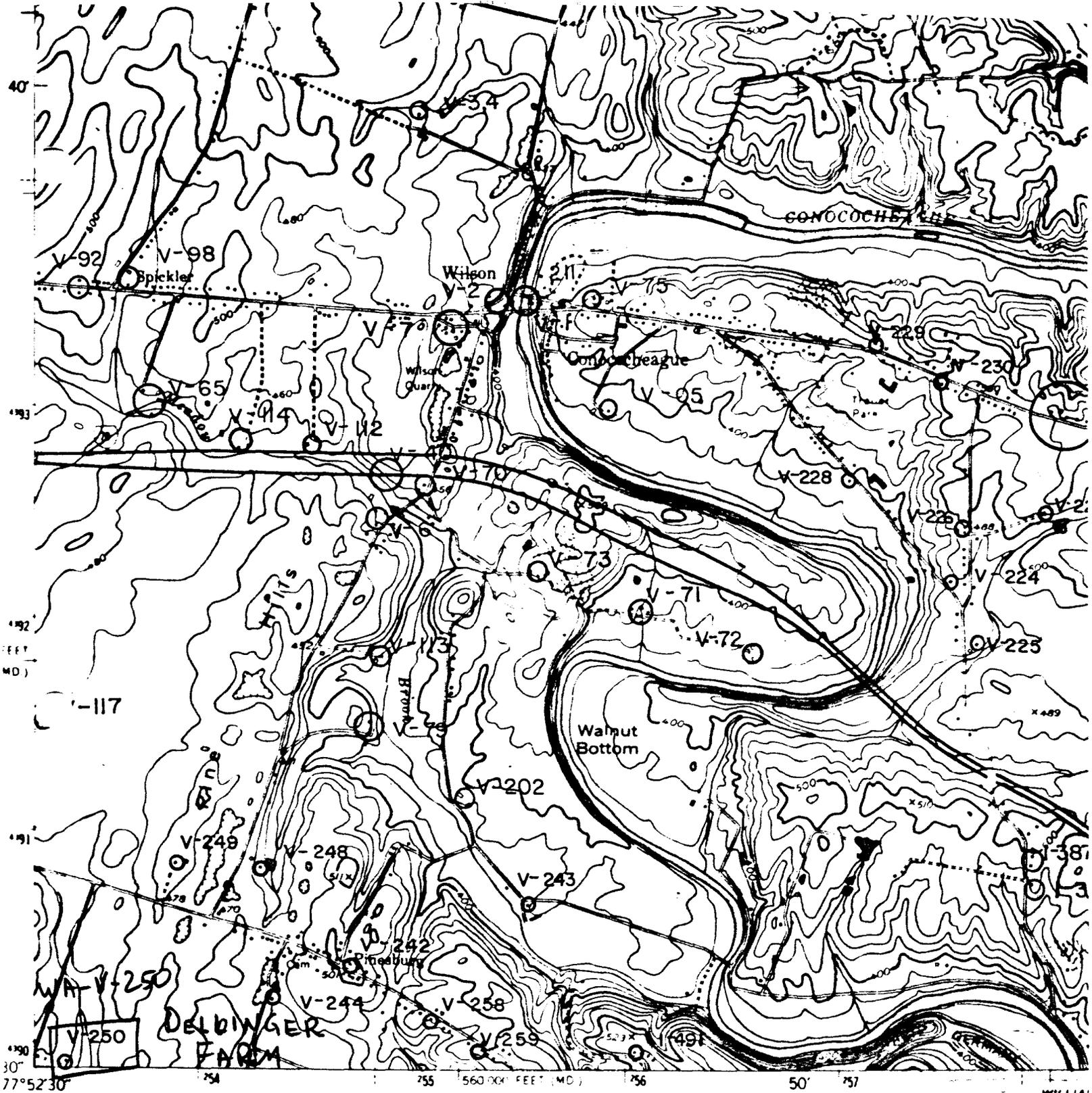
Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Dellinger Farm is significant architecturally for its very well preserved farm house and barn, both of which are excellent examples of their type. The large brick farm house is an example of the Georgian I-house, an important house form in this region, and is unusually elegant and substantial for this particular area. The house is dated by a stone in the south gable end wall, giving the builder as a Mr. Dellinger and the date as 1863. The bank barn is also in an excellent state of preservation, and a very good example of its type.

The property is shown on the 1859 Taggart atlas of Washington County as that of Frederick Dellinger, who also owned another large tract to the southwest, bordering the Potomac River. Why the building is shown on the 1859 atlas, but is dated 1863, is not clear; perhaps an earlier house was on the site or this one was in the process of construction.





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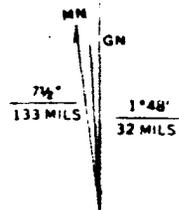
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 and Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone

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 zone 18, shown in blue

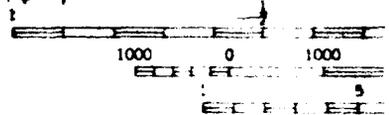
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UTM GRID AND 1971 MAGNETIC NORTH  
 DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



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