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Green Ridge Station

Architectural Survey File

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GREEN RIDGE STATE FORST
U.S.G.S.: PAW PAW QUAD
DNR#: NONE

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

GREEN RIDGE STATION

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Carroll Road at Mertew Avenue

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

6

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Allegany

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 ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☒ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Green Ridge State Forest

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Taylor Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis Maryland

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

On the east slope of Town Hill and lying within a bend of the Potomac River in Green Ridge State Forest is the site of the early 20th century settlement of Green Ridge Station. It is located along Merten Avenue and Carroll Road at the Base of a ridge within the curve of the river.

Green Ridge Station was apparently a community which developed along the Western Maryland Railroad at a point where it crossed the Potomac River and tunneled under a mountain. The village is said to have included a hotel and about a dozen houses. These structures have all been demolished. However, evidence can still be seen of some of the foundations. They are located at the south end of the tunnel.

The Stickpile tunnel, as it is known, is a round arched structure of reinforced cast concrete and was built for a narrow gauge railroad. Although no longer in use by the railroad, the tunnel appears to be used by automobile traffic. The tunnel seems to be in good condition although there is spalling of the concrete on both end walls. The tunnel still belongs to the Chessie System.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION	
☐ 1400-1499	☒ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE	
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE	
☐ 1600-1699	☐ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER	
☐ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☒ TRANSPORTATION	
☒ 1900- early	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		☐ INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Since nothing remains of Green Ridge Station except for the tunnel, there is little of architectural significance except for the tunnel itself. Some historical importance lies in the fact that a community existed in this place at one time and its relationship with the railroad is worthy of note. Thus Green Ridge Station played a role in the history of the 19th and early 20th century transportation in Maryland. There is some archeological potential in the area which could help to develop the history of Green Ridge Station and the age and use of its buildings.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

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 and Douglass Reed

ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates

DATE

February, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 202

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg,

STATE

Maryland

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.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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(ARTEMAS)

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POINT LOOKOUT

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STONE CHANNEL

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HIGGINS BRICK REMAINS

(NOT DNR) AL-I-C-007

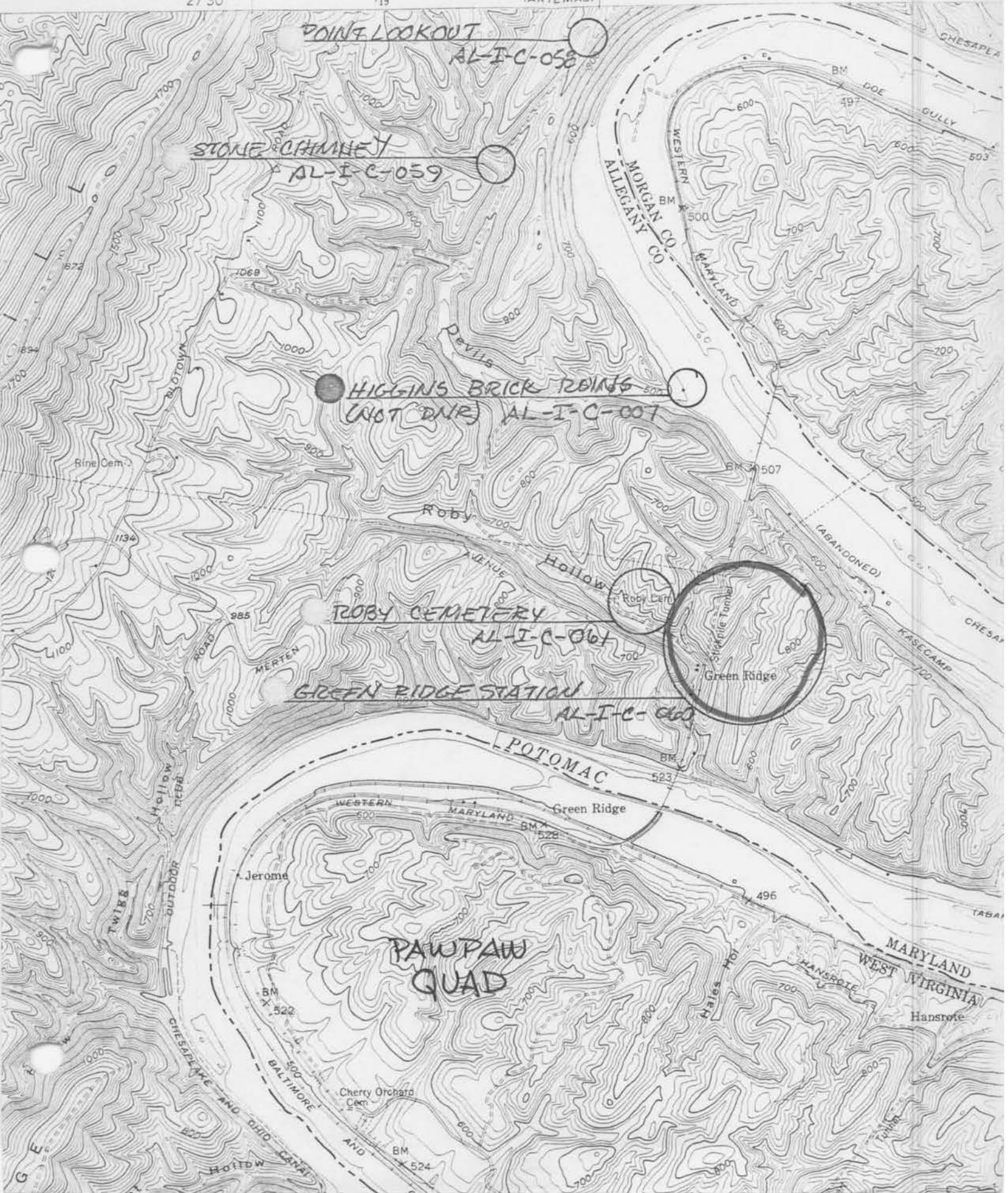
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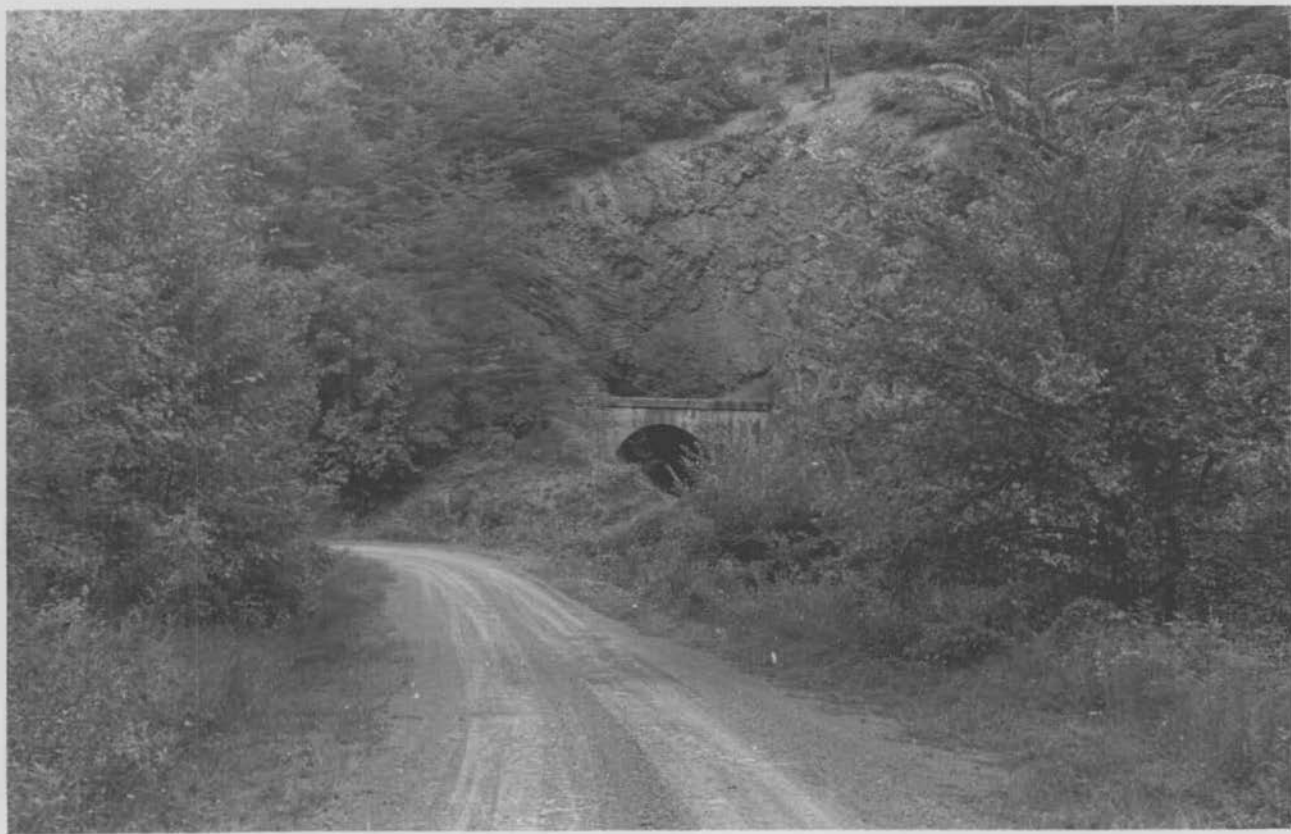
Green Ridge Station & Tunnel

S. Draw

Sept. 1918

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Green Ridge Station & Tunnel

N. View

Sept. 1978

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