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Southern Maryland Crisis Pregnancy Center

Architectural Survey File

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CAPSULE SUMMARY
3065 Old Washington Road (CH: 577)
Charles County, Maryland

The former single-family dwelling at 3065 Old Washington Road was constructed circa 1920 on property purchased in 1920 and 1921 by Joseph Lewis Groves. The property remained in the Groves family for over seventy years, before the house was sold and converted to a Crisis Pregnancy Center. Groves also owned the commercial establishment at 3090 Old Washington Road, which is currently known as the Gold Mine Saloon. Located near U.S. 301, Leonardtown Road and Old Washington Road, all major roads through the region, and the Waldorf station, the property was impacted by both the railroad and the expansion of the highway system. Close to Bean Station, now known as the Waldorf Station, on the Baltimore and Potomac rail line, this house also reflects the profound influence the railroad had on development in southern Maryland.

The Colonial Revival style dwelling is two-and-a-half-stories in height and three bays in width. Clad in medium-sized concrete aggregate stucco, the house is set on a brick foundation laid in stretcher bond. A one-story porch extends across the full width of the façade. An asphalt shingle side gable roof covers the building. It has been recently converted to a Crisis Pregnancy Center.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST Inventory No. CH:577
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

1. Name of Property

historic name _____
common/other name Southern Maryland Crisis Pregnancy Center: The Catherine Foundation

2. Location

street & number 3065 Old Washington Road not for publication ____
city or town Waldorf vicinity __ state Maryland code MD
county Charles County code 17 zip code 20601

3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

4. National Park Service Certification N/A

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- X private
- ____ public-local
- ____ public-State
- ____ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- X building(s)
- ____ district
- ____ site
- ____ structure
- ____ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	2	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	2	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes ____ Name of Listing _____
No X

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC — Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: RELIGION — Sub: Church-Related Residence (Pregnancy Center)

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation Solid: Brick Stretcher Bond
Roof Side Gable: Asphalt Shingle
Walls Frame: Concrete Stucco
other

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

____ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

____ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

_X_ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

____ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

_X_ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

____ B removed from its original location.

____ C a birthplace or a grave.

____ D a cemetery.

____ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

____ F a commemorative property.

____ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)
Architecture

Period of Significance 1920-1950

Significant Dates c. 1920
1997

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Carley, Rachel. *The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture*. New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1994.

Charles County Land and Will Records. Charles County Courthouse and the Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Maryland.

McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. New York, NY: Alfred A. Knopf, 1985.

Rivoire, J. Richard. *Homeplaces: Traditional Domestic Architecture of Charles County, Maryland*. Crownsville, MD: Maryland Historical Trust, 1990.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property .669 acres

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property at 3065 Old Washington Road is designated as Parcel 547, Grid 21 as indicated on Map 8.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The building at 3065 Old Washington Road has historically been associated with Parcel 547 since its construction circa 1920.

11. Form Prepared By

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12. Property Owner

name Pro-Life Action Churches of MD, Inc.
T/A The Catherine Foundation
street & number 3065 Old Washington Road telephone
city or town Waldorf state MD zip code 20601-3122

The house at 3065 Old Washington Road sits on a level, grassy lot that is adorned with scattered mature trees and shrubs. The Colonial Revival style dwelling is two-and-a-half-stories in height and three bays in width. Clad in medium-sized concrete aggregate stucco, the house is set on a brick foundation laid in stretcher bond. A one-story porch extends across the full width of the façade. An asphalt shingle side gable roof covers the building. It has been recently converted to a Crisis Pregnancy Center.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The façade of the building is three bays wide and faces the southeast. The shed roof porch is four bays wide and features concrete posts atop brick piers. The bays are defined by arched openings. A low brick wall with pierced openings stretches across three of the four bays of the porch. The house has paired 6/6 aluminum windows at both the first and second stories. Wide aluminum surrounds frame the windows. The single leaf, side passage wood door has six-lights and is framed by three-light sidelights.

The first story of the northeast elevation is pierced by five 6/6 aluminum sash windows. Replacement 6/6 aluminum windows are also located at the second and the half stories. Wide aluminum surrounds frame all of the windows. A single leaf wood paneled door with three lights further marks the first story.

On the rear of the house, there is a one-story, one bay wide addition with a half-hipped asphalt shingle roof, a brick foundation and aluminum siding. The northwest elevation is defined by a projecting gable bay and replacement 6/6 aluminum windows at both the first and second stories. Two windows pierce the first story while three sets of paired windows grace the second story.

Marking the gable end of the southwest elevation is the exterior end chimney that is shouldered and has a corbeled cap. Wide aluminum surrounds frame the replacement 6/6 aluminum windows. At the first story, there are two sets of paired windows and three single window openings. Three window openings pierce the second story and one pierces the half story. A single leaf, metal-paneled nine-light door graces the side of the projecting gable bay. This door leads to a wood wheelchair ramp on the exterior of the house.

SUPPORTING BUILDINGS:

There are two 1950s era outbuildings at the rear of the house. Constructed of concrete block, the one-story, three-bay wide garage is covered by a side gable, asphalt shingle roof. Two of the garage bays have been infilled with vertical board wood cladding. To the rear of the garage is a one-story, one-bay barbecue. Two brick piers at the front and a brick wall with glass block lights at the rear support the asphalt shingle roof. A cupola graces the hipped roof.

The former single-family dwelling at 3065 Old Washington Road was constructed circa 1920 on property purchased in 1920 and 1921 by Joseph Lewis Groves. The property remained in the Groves family for over seventy years, before the house was sold and converted to a Crisis Pregnancy Center. According to deed research, Groves was also the owner of the commercial establishment at 3090 Old Washington Road, which is currently known as the Gold Mine Saloon. Located near U.S. 301, Leonardtown Road and Old Washington Road, all major roads through the region, and the Waldorf station, the property was impacted by both the railroad and the expansion of the highway system. Close to Bean Station, now known as the Waldorf Station, on the Baltimore and Potomac rail line, this Colonial Revival style house also reflects the profound influence the railroad had on development in southern Maryland.

The dwelling is an excellent example of the Colonial Revival style houses in Charles County. Popular in the United Stated between 1880 and 1955, the Colonial Revival style resulted from the rebirth of interest in the colonial English and Dutch houses of the eastern seaboard coincident with the Philadelphia Centennial. Stylistic details in Colonial Revival domestic buildings were drawn primarily from the Georgian and Federal styles. While Colonial Revival buildings of the first quarter of the twentieth century reflected their colonial influences more clearly, those that were constructed after World War II were more simplified, with details that suggested rather than duplicated the original examples. Like many Colonial Revival style houses, this dwelling features a rectangular plan with a symmetrical façade, double hung windows, and a side gable roof.

Following the Civil War, southern Maryland adjusted to shifts in economic activity and population centers. Railroads made the greatest impact upon community development in this period, particularly the completion of the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad's (B & P) main line from Bowie in Prince George's County to Pope's Creek in Charles County in 1872. Small towns grew when they became regular stops on the B & P line, and developed as service centers for the surrounding rural areas. In 1922, construction began on the Robert Crain Highway, U.S. 301's predecessor. The dependence on the automobile and the expansion of the highway, linking rural Maryland to the urban centers, contributed to the development and suburbanization of the region.

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county and state

National Register Evaluation:

The house at 3065 Old Washington Road is not eligible due to the fact that it does not meet National Register Criteria A, B, C, or D. Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the building and events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A) or the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). Although the building provides an example of vernacular rural architecture, it is neither unusual nor distinguished; it does not represent the work of a master or display high artistic merit (Criterion C). There is no evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, the property is not National Register-eligible.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Not Recommended X

Comments:

Review, OPS: _____ Date: 11/26/98

Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930)
Modern Period (1930-present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape, and
Community Planning
Economic

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

Chain of Title:

November 16, 1911: Robert A. Naylor to J. Edward Smith
PARCEL 1
Land Records of Charles County
Liber HCC23 Folio 695

J. Edward Smith to Mary E. Smith
PARCEL 1
Will Records of Charles County

January 10, 1920: Mary E. Smith to Joseph Lewis Groves
PARCEL 1
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 36 Folio 104

September 29, 1910: Edward A. Sharretts, trustee, to Robert A. Naylor
PARCEL 2
Land Records of Charles County
Liber HCC22 Folio 312

December 24, 1921: Robert A. and Maria W. Naylor to Joseph Lewis Groves
PARCEL 2
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 38 Folio 568

December 12, 1931: Joseph L. and Maude E. Groves to R. Harry Moreland
PARCELS 1 and 2
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 54 Folio 424

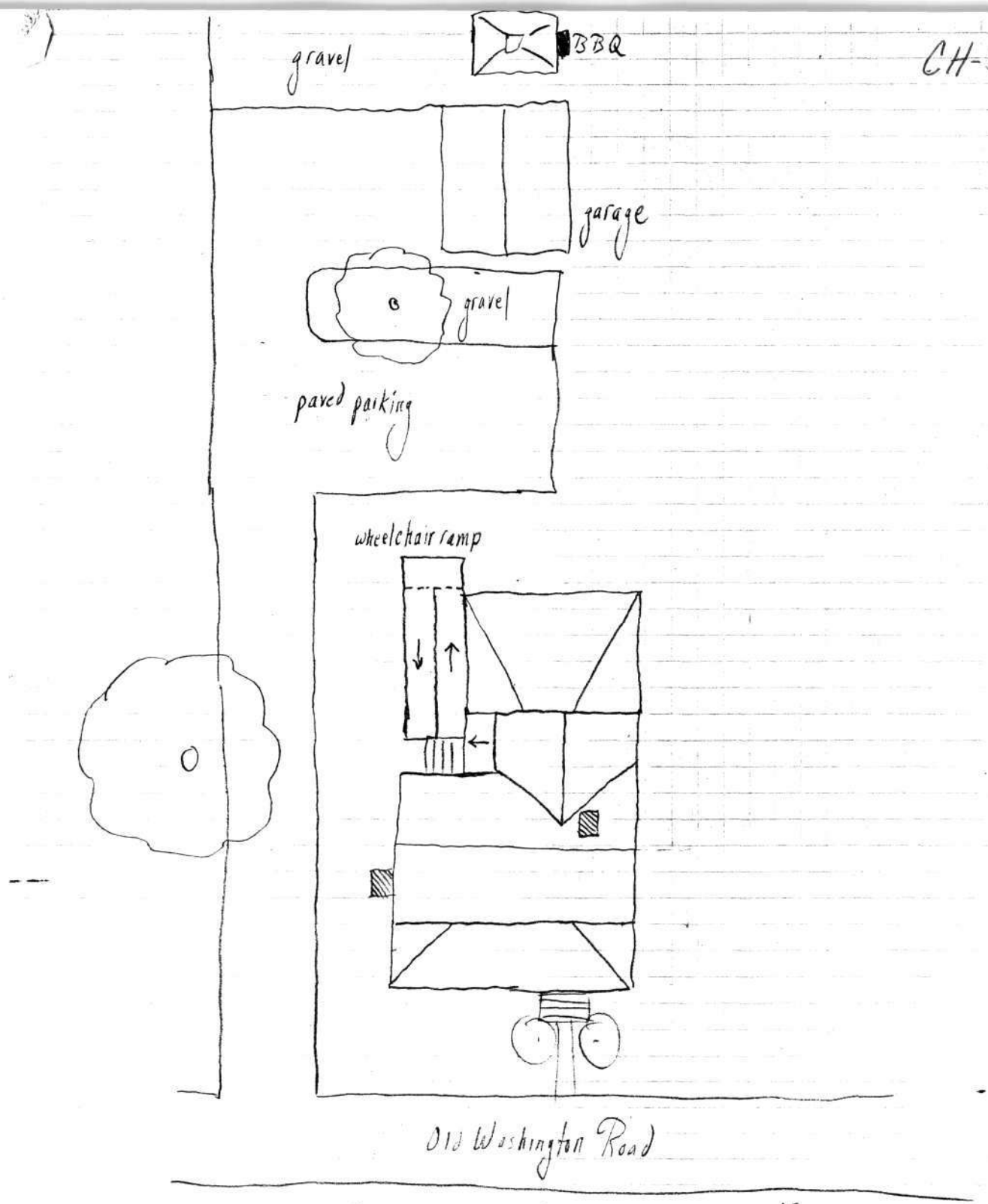
December 12, 1931: R. Harry Moreland to Joseph L. and Maude E. Groves
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 54 Folio 427

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June 26, 1997: Doris Groves Murray, personal representative of the estate of Maude Ellen Groves (Estate Number 10535-96), to Pro-Life Action Churches of Maryland, Inc.
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 2405 Folio 519

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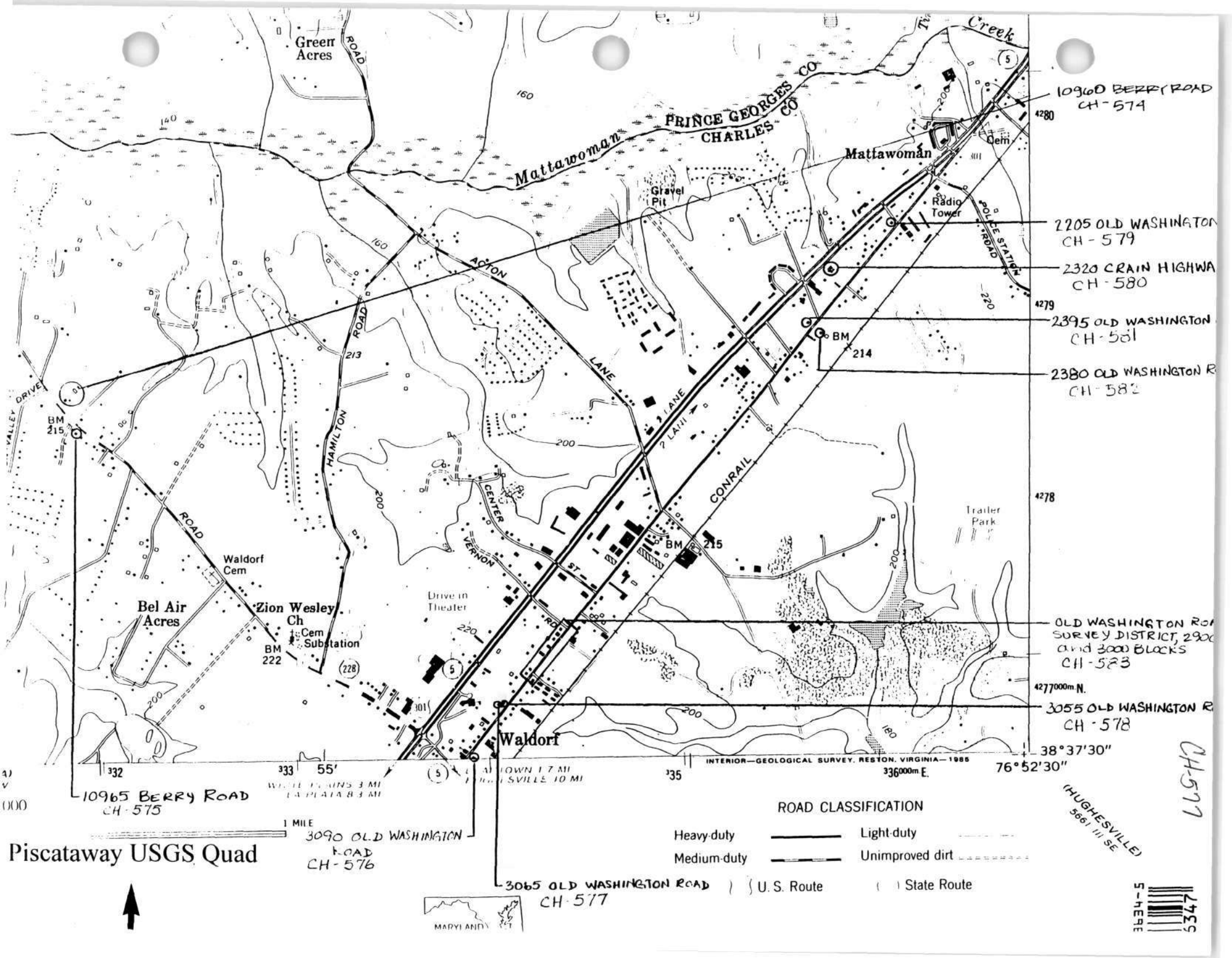


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Resource Sketch Map 1999
Not Drawn to Scale

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Piscataway USGS Quad



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Traceries
June 1999
MD SHPO
Southeast Elevation, Looking Northwest
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CHARLES COUNTY, MD
TRACERIES
JUNE 1999
MD SHPO
NORTHEAST ELEVATION, LOOKING SOUTHWEST
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Northwest Elevation, Looking southeast
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Traceries
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MD SHPO
Southwest elevation, looking northeast
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