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Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin (Stanton's Log Cabin)

Architectural Survey File

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Easement

Ho-64 Circa 1780
Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin
Ellicott City
Private

This three bay wide, one room deep, one and a half story gabled roof (running north-south) log structure built on a stone foundation has a brick chimney inset into its south wall and a central rectangular west entrance flanked by rectangular windows. It sits into the slope of the land and was in 1870 the meeting place for the organizers of the Saint Luke A.M.E. Church, which celebrated its 100th anniversary in September 1970 and is now located on Main Street.

Owned by Thomas Isaac in 1878, it probably furnished a comfortable and scenic home for one of Ellicott City's first settlers.

Easement

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District 2
MAGI # 1400645204

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC: Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin

AND/OR COMMON: Stanton's Log Cabin

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: Northeast Corner of Main Street and Ellicott Mills Drive, moved from East Side Merryman Street 6th

CITY, TOWN: Ellicott City — VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Howard County

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY:

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
X DISTRICT	PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)	X 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	X OTHER storage

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME: Fannie Stanton etal — Telephone #: 461-1864

STREET & NUMBER: 3608 Merryman Street

CITY, TOWN: Ellicotty City — VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code: Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Record's Room

Tax Map 25-A p.80

Liber #: 407
Folio #: 188

STREET & NUMBER: Howard County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN: Ellicott City

STATE: Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE: Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE: July 1977 — FEDERAL X STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Thst

CITY, TOWN: 21 State Circle Annapolis

STATE: Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

HO-64
District 2

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	X DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Stanton Log Cabin is located on the east side of Merryman Street adjacent to a small stream which flows several feet east of the cabin, providing a sylvan and picturesque setting for this quaint structure. It is a three bay wide, one room deep, one and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) log structure which is filled in with thin pieces of slate and stones stuck together with mud. A brick chimney is inset into its south wall, with a square attic window on each side of it. The west wall holds a central entrance flanked by rectangular windows, all of which are now boarded up. Two rectangular attic windows are located on its north wall, one large one is centered into the eave, the smaller one east of it.

The north wall of this log cabin has been covered with vertical wooden planks to strengthen and support it. The entrance door, located in the west bay has been boarded up horizontally. The log structure is laid on a stone foundation which follows the contour of the land, sloping down to the east. This foundation holds a battan wood rectangular cellar entrance door on the north wall.

The east elevation holds two rectangular first floor double-hung rectangular first floor double-hung windows with six-over-six lights.

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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	X ARCHITECTURE	_EDUCATION	_MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
X 1700-1799	_ART	_ENGINEERING	_MUSIC	_THEATER	
_1800-1899	_COMMERCE	_EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	_PHILOSOPHY	_TRANSPORTATION	
_1900-	_COMMUNICATIONS	_INDUSTRY	_POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		_INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This log cabin is believed to have been built circa 1780 according to the estimates of local historians and probably served originally as a settler's hut. In 1870 this log structure provided a meeting place for the organizers of the Saint Luke A.M.E. Church, now located on Main Street which celebrated its 100th anniversary in September, 1970. The location for the Saint Luke A.M.E. Church was changed by 1878 to an adjacent building on the east side of the stream which runs east of the present log structure. (please see attachment 3, Hopkin's Atlas.) It was owned at that time by Thomas Isaac. Presently used for storage and boarded up, it awaits renovation and rehabilitation by an enthusiastic and creative presenationist.

As one of Ellicott City's oldest landmarks it should be considered for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places and any future local landmark legislation.

Note:

The following property transactions are noted in the Howard County Court House Record's Office:

Isaiah Mercer, Jr. conveyed the property to Thomas Isaac on January 6, 1858 (19-41). This property is noted on the Hopkins Atlas of 1878. Some four years later in his will of 27 May, 1882 Thomas Isaac conveyed all this property to his nephew, William M. Isaac. In 1911 William M. Isaac left the property to his next of kin, Z. Howard Isaac etal, who in 1914 (wills 9-388) left all his property to his mother, Eleanor P. Isaac who died intestate in 1933. John Henry Stanton acquired the property and left it to his widow, the present owner in 1963.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Hopkin's Atlas of 1878
The Ellicott City Bicentennial Journal, Vol. 1, No. 1, Summer-Fall, 1972.

Record's Office, Howard County Court House.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.2

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
Maryland	Howard
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION — DATE
Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section 465-5000 x257

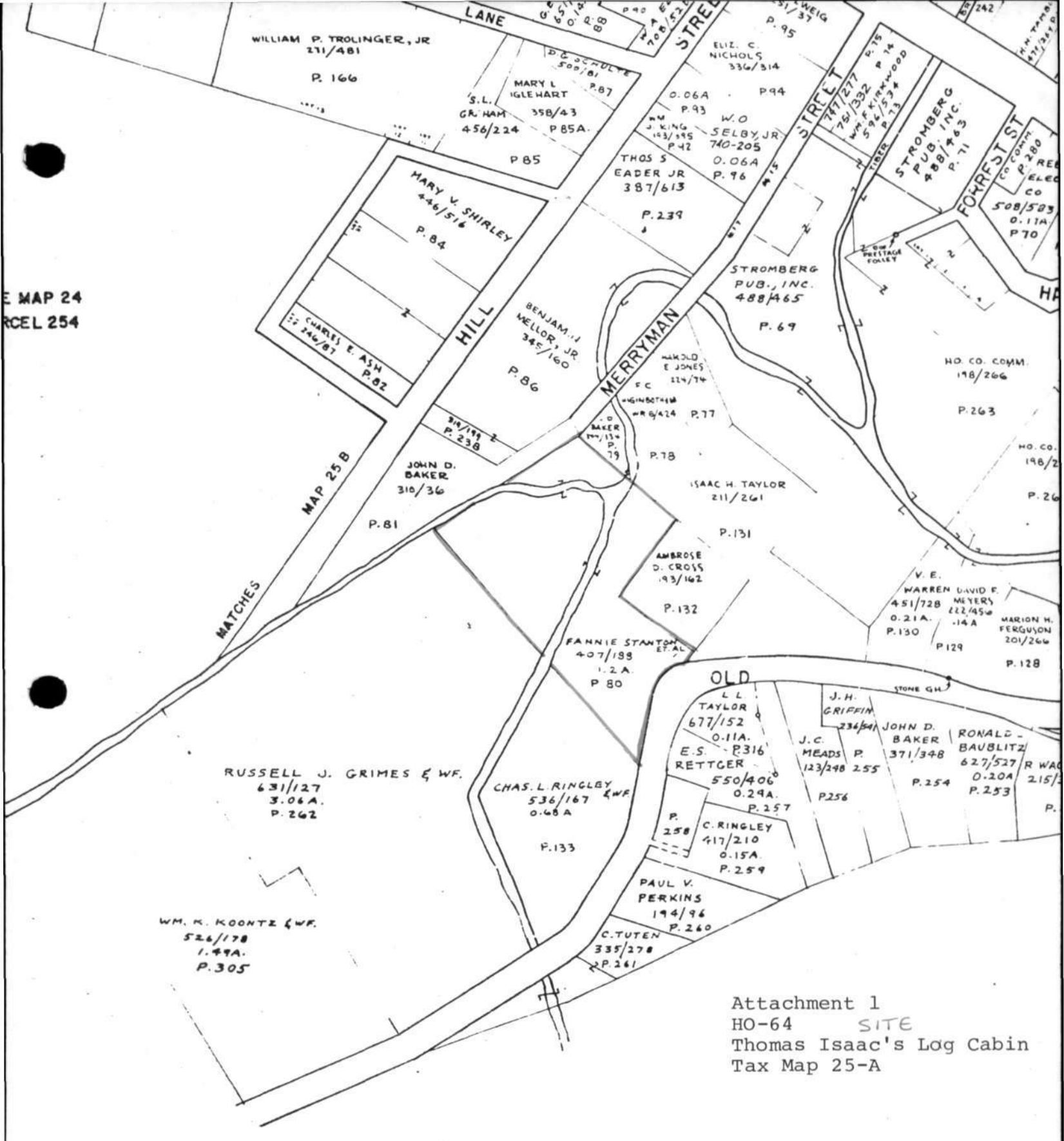
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3450 Court House Drive

CITY OR TOWN — STATE
Ellicott City — Maryland

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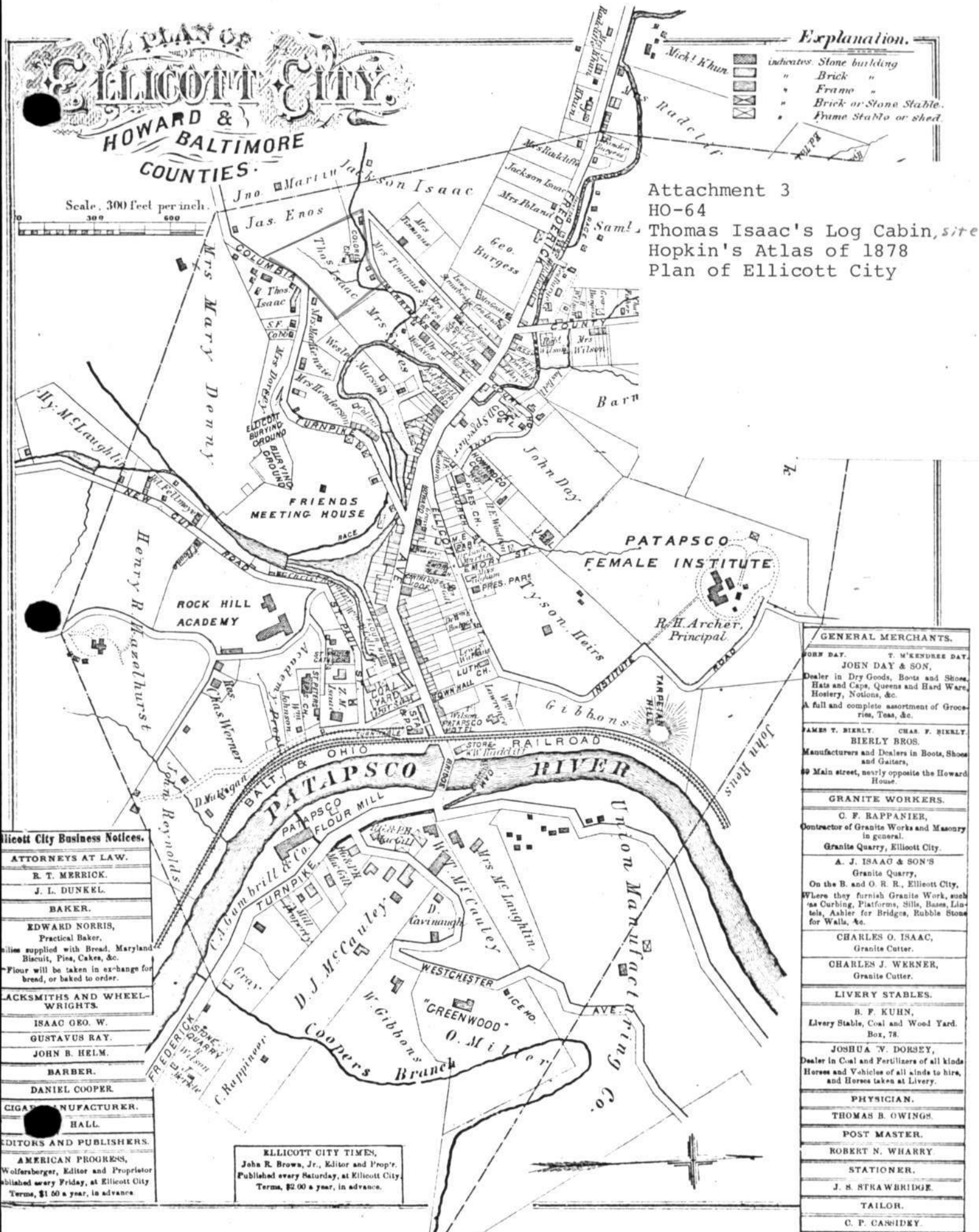
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Attachment 1
HO-64 SITE
Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin
Tax Map 25-A

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SCALE
1"= 800'



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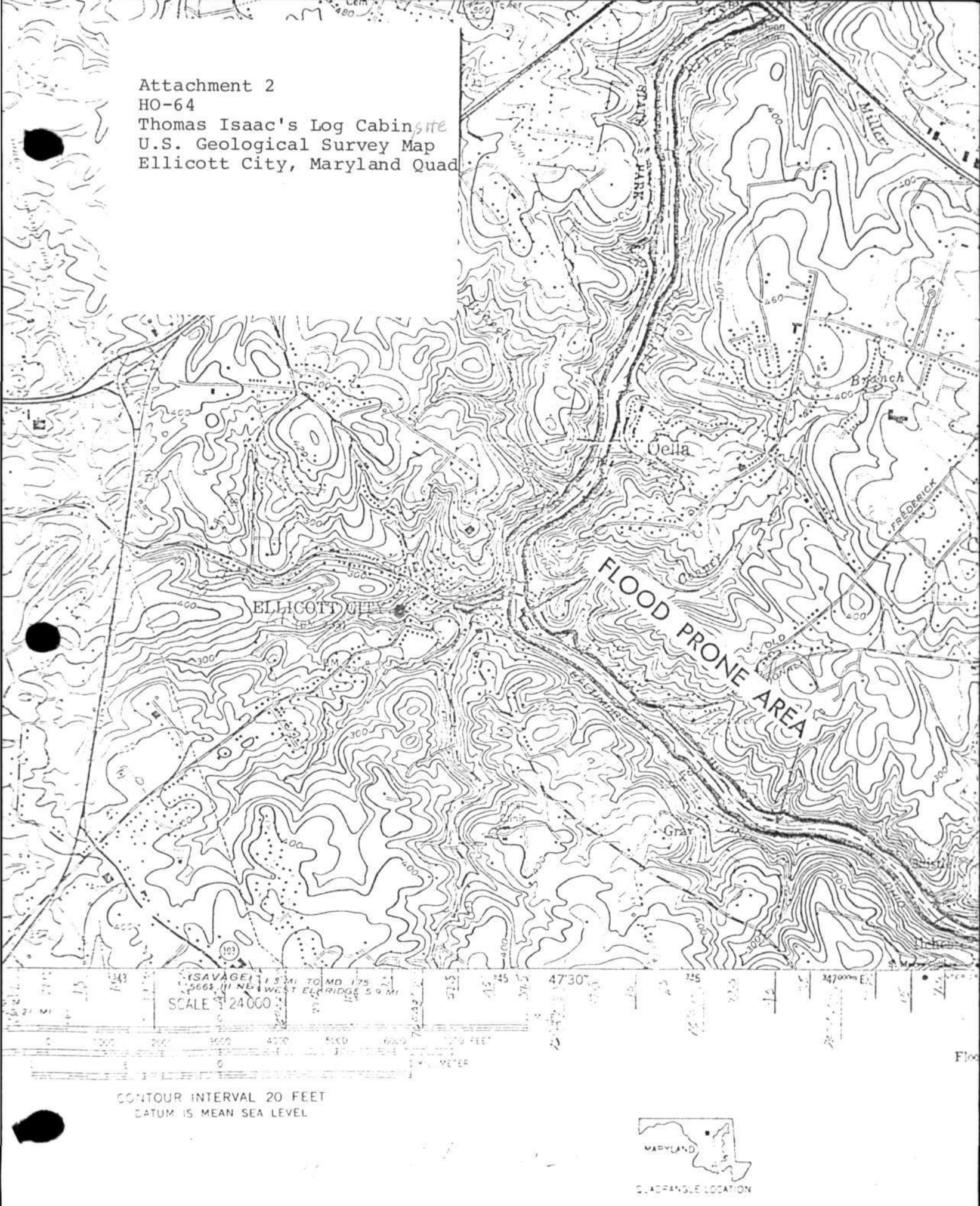
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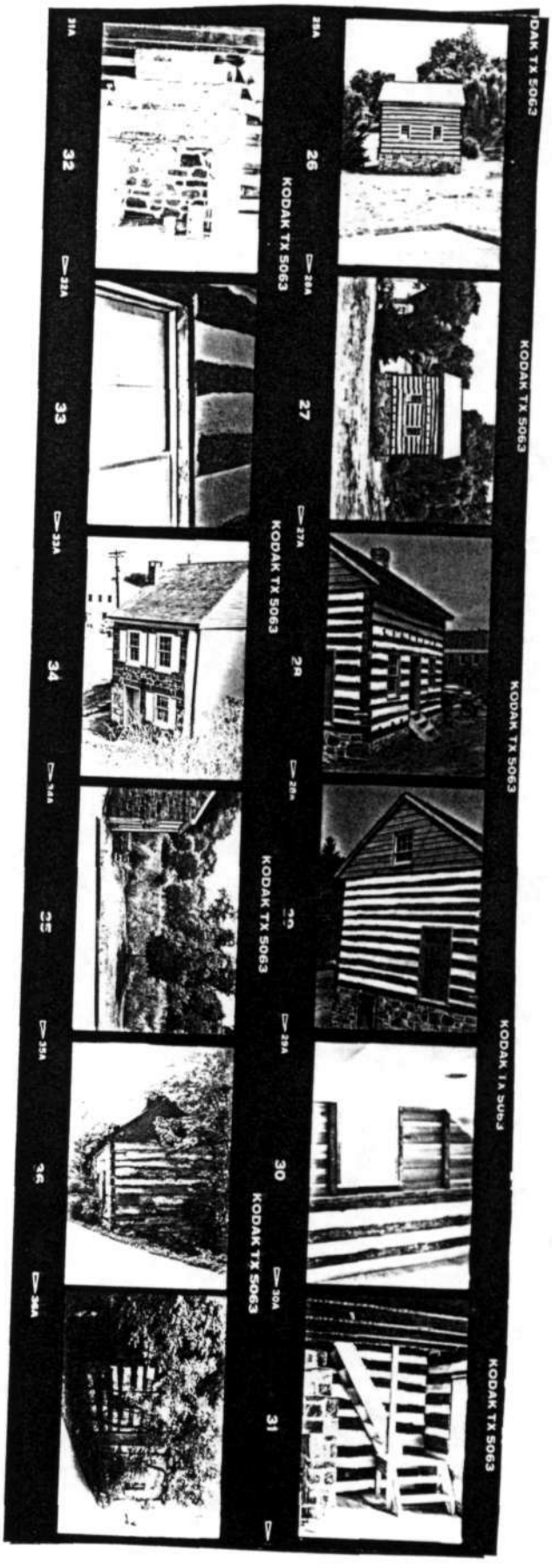
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Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin site
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Ellicott City, Maryland Quad



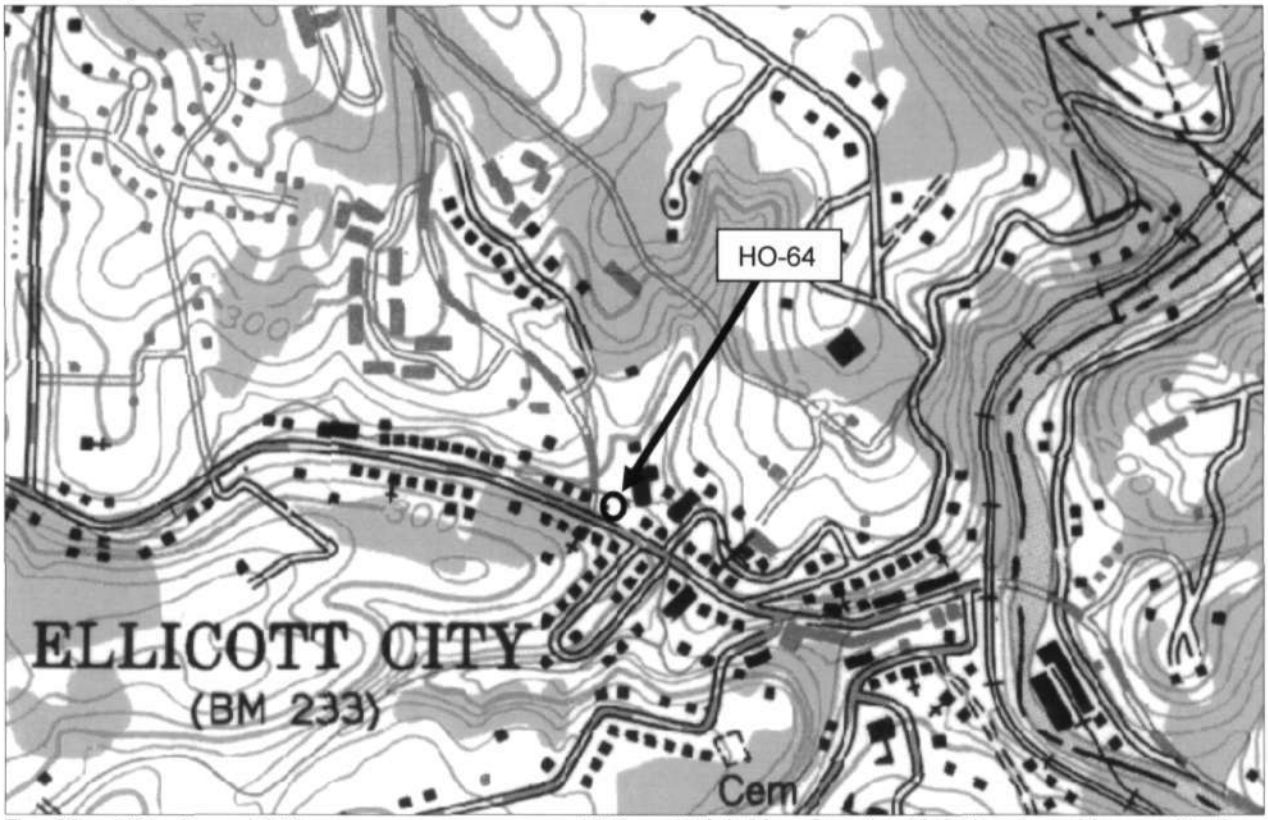
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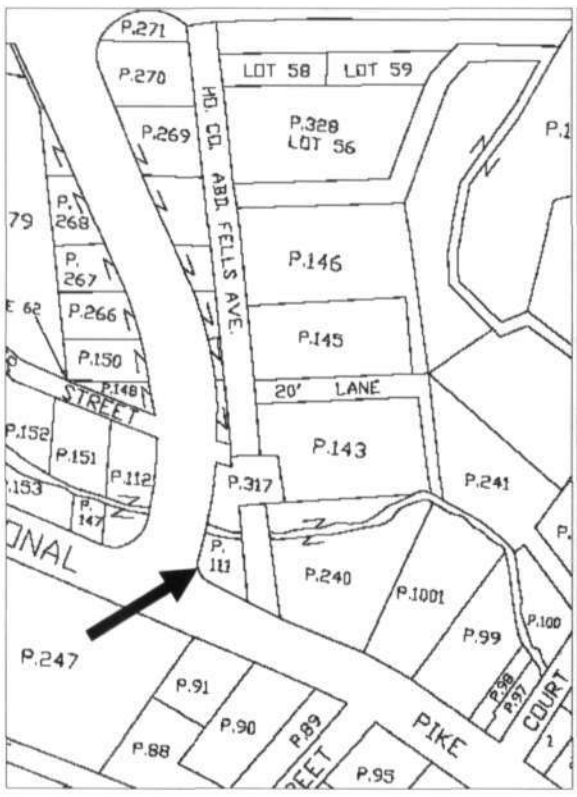
THOMAS ISAAC LOG CABIN
ELLICOTT CITY, HOWARD COUNTY
INVENTORY #HO-64
EASEMENT (REASSEMBLY) PHOTOGRAPHS
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Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin
Main Street (MD 144) and Ellicott Mills Drive, Ellicott City
Ellicott City quad 1953, Photorevised 1966 and 1974



Tax Map 25A, Parcel 111



National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map, c. 2010



HO-64
Thomas Isaac's Log Cabin
Main Street (MD 144) and Ellicott Mills Drive, Ellicott City
Photos by Jennifer K. Cosham, 11/28/2012
South elevation



Northwest elevation





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