

**CRS No. N06190**

**Name: Governor Benjamin T. Biggs Farm;  
S.C. Biggs (Hopkins) House  
Tax Parcel: 1105700219**

**Address: 1084 Bethel Church Road**

**Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1850**

**Time Period: 1830-1880±, Industrialization and Early Urbanization; 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization**

**Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula**

**Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Agriculture**

*Description*

The property consists of a ca. 1850 brick dwelling and twentieth-century frame and concrete block outbuildings including: secondary dwelling, a garage/apartment, and equipment shed. The dwelling stands two-and-one-half stories tall and measures five bays wide. The gabled roof is sheathed with standing seam metal. The property is lined with mature trees and the outbuildings lie to the east of the dwelling.

*National Register Evaluation*

The Governor Benjamin T. Biggs Farm was determined not eligible for the National Register in 1995. The property was revisited in 2005 as part of the Choptank Road study, and between May 2005-July 2006 as part of the current study. The previous documentation was sufficient to document existing conditions, so no CRS 2 or CRS 3 forms were prepared. The property appears to lack sufficient integrity to be considered eligible for listing in the National Register.

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N06190. Photograph 1: Dwelling, east and south elevations, view to northwest.



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N06190.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Gov. Benj. T. Biggs Farm/S.C. Biggs (Hopkins) House
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1084 Bethel Church Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: The buildings do not appear to have changed since the previous survey.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: This property is located on the east side of Bethel Church Road at its intersection with Choptank Road. The property is wooded, and open fields surround the property on the north, east, and south.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Barbara Copp / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 7/11/2006

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:  
Determined not eligible in 1995.

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9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
- 1770-1830 Early Industrialization
- 1830-1880 Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- 1880-1940 Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- 1940-1960 Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization
- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

b) Geographical zone

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

**DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901**

**CRS#:**

**N06190.**

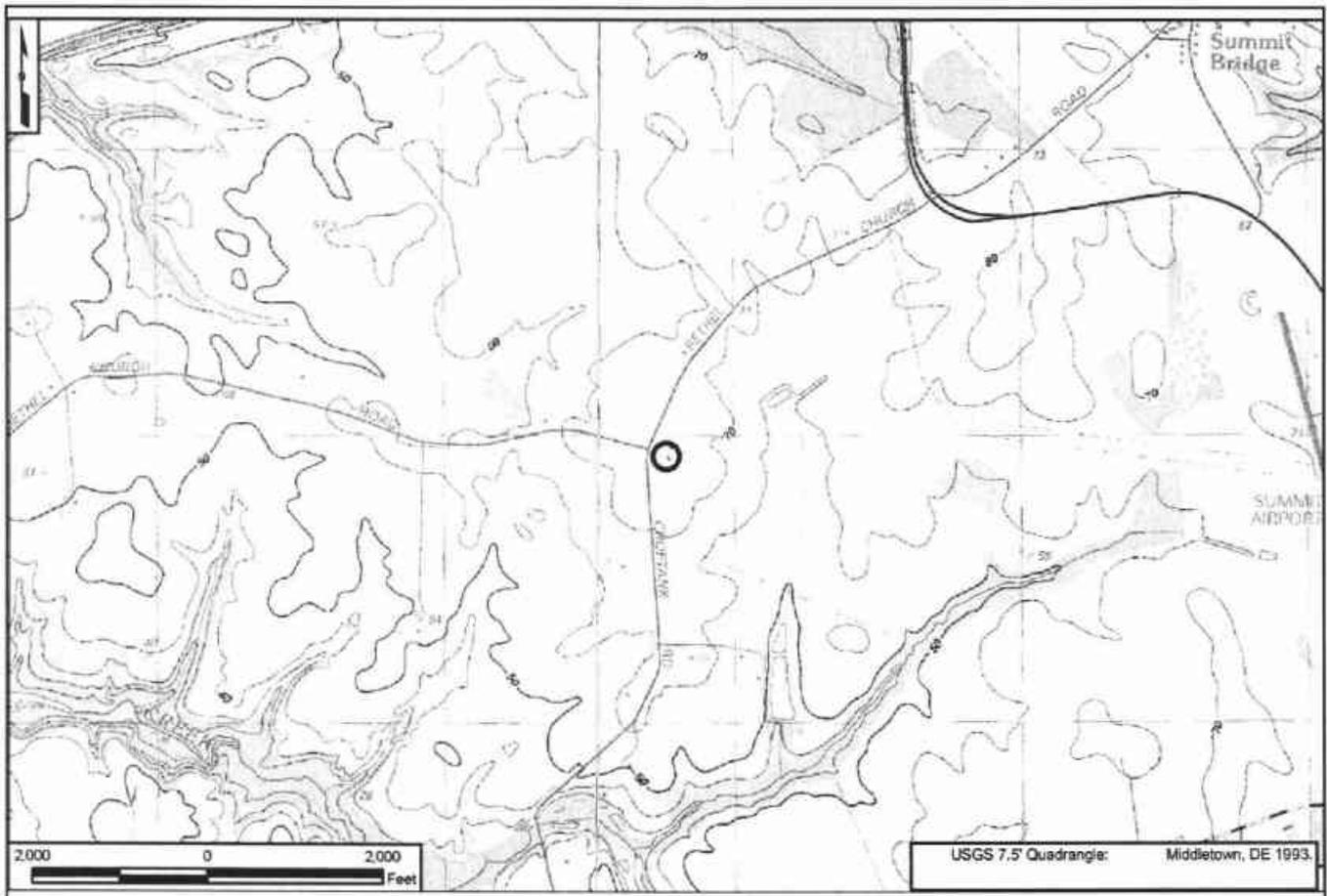
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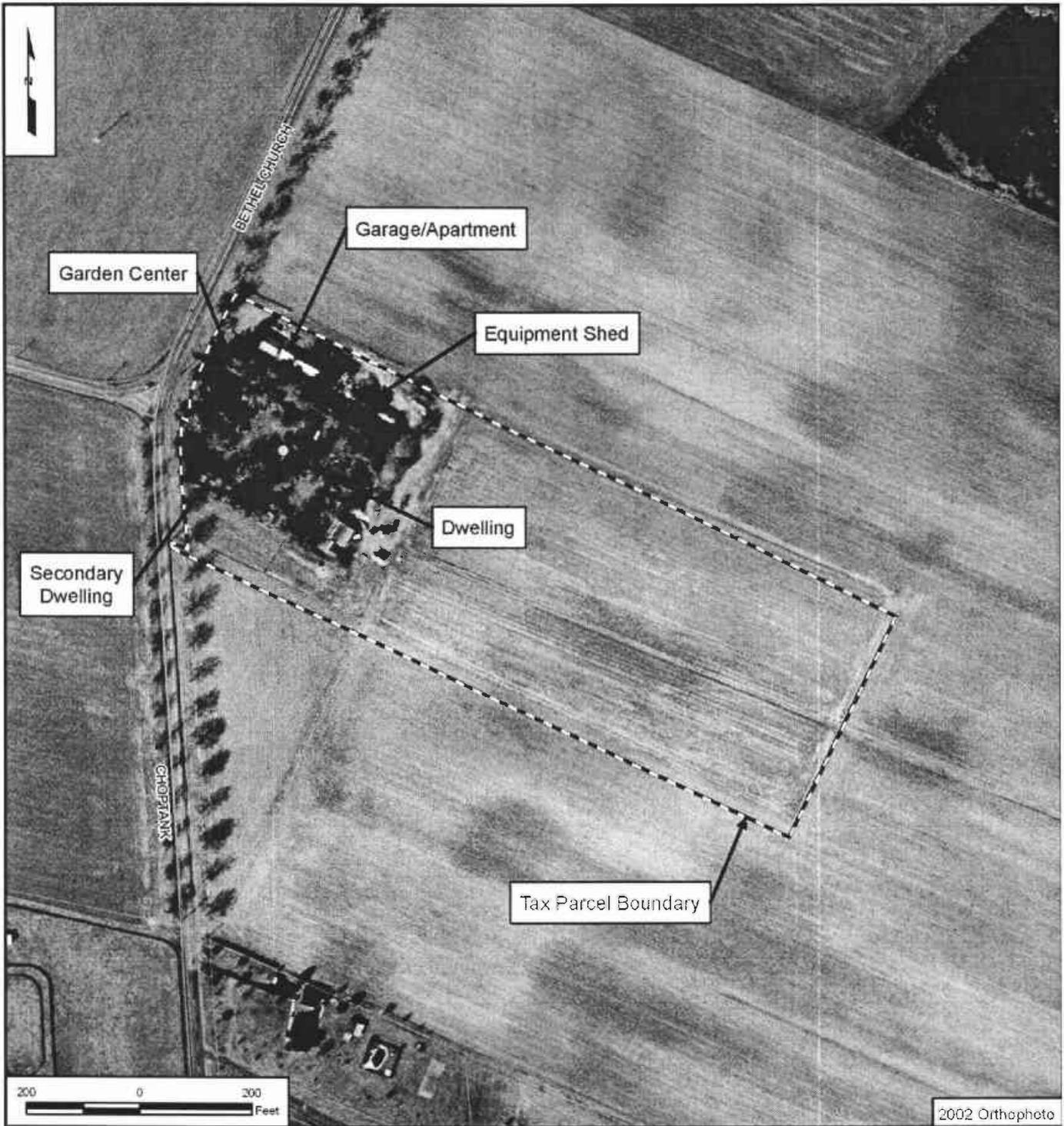
**3. LOCATION MAP:**

**Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.**

**(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)**



4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N06191**

Name: John Wesley Kane Farm

Address: 1035 Bethel Church Road

Tax Parcel: 1105700004

Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1840; ca. 1935

Time Period: 1830-1880±, Industrialization and Early Urbanization; 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization; 1940-1960± Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization

Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula

Historic Period Theme(s): Agriculture

### *Description*

The John Wesley Kane Farm is located on the west side of Bethel Church Road. The property consists of a *circa*-1840 two-story frame dwelling, *circa*-1900 summer kitchen, a *circa*-1920 privy, a *circa*-1930 privy, a *circa*-1930 garage, a *circa*-1930 shed, and a *circa*-1935 milkhouse. The property also contains a *circa*-1900 granary that was converted to a dairy barn ca. 1930. The dwelling, comprised of a *circa*-1840 rear ell and a *circa*-1860 front block, is clad in asbestos shingles and is lit by six-over-six light, double-hung sash, wooden windows and two-over-two light, double-hung sash, wooden windows. The dwelling faces east toward the road with numerous domestic and agricultural outbuildings situated to the west and south. The outbuildings are predominantly constructed of frame and concrete block. Most of the outbuildings are currently in fair or poor condition.

A short gravel drive leads west from Bethel Church Road to the east elevation of the milkhouse. The dwelling and outbuildings are accessed via walking paths. The property, which is still a working dairy farm, is overgrown with dense vegetation and mature trees. The complex is surrounded by pasture and cultivated land with modern development located to the west.

### *Historical Narrative*

The approximately 105-acre farmstead located today at 1035 Bethel Church Road was created from three separate transactions in the early to mid-nineteenth century. The greater part of the farmstead was acquired by Deborah Kane in 1827 when the State of Delaware's Court of Chaucery laid off an unspecified tract of land from the estate of William Pru (recited in New Castle County Deed Book B13:63). It is unclear if the estate land was seated in 1827. However, architectural investigations suggest the present-day dwelling's rear ell was erected ca. 1840, several years following the Kane's 1827 land acquisition. As commonly found throughout the study area, the *circa*-1840 rear ell may conceal an earlier log dwelling.

After her death in 1848, Deborah Kane's estate was devised to her son, John W. Kane. A map of the area, published in 1849, confirms the presence of the dwelling known today as 1035 Bethel Church Road and John W. Kane's ownership of the property. Kane apparently added an unspecified tract of land from estate of Sarah Pru (date unknown, unrecorded deed recited in New Castle County Deed Book B13:63) and a 24-acre tract of land in 1864 from the estate of John Biggs (New Castle County Deed Book Z7:130).

John W. Kane died on November 10, 1879 (recited in New Castle County Deed Book B13:63). His will prepared several years prior, and bearing the date December 12, 1875, indicated that following the death of his wife, Ann Lewis Kane, all his property, both real and personal, was to be sold at public sale. He directed Henry Clayton as his executor, although Clayton later

renounced the responsibilities. The court then appointed one of John W. Kane's daughters, Sarah Jane Kane (recited in New Castle County Deed Book B13:63). At a public sale on May 10, 1884, Ann Elizabeth Kane, another of John W. Kane's daughter, submitted the winning bid of \$6,300.00 for the "plantation and tract of land" of approximately 105 acres (New Castle County Deed Book B13:63). Ann Elizabeth Kane thereafter granted a moiety in the farm to her sister, Sarah Jane Kane on July 17, 1884 (New Castle County Deed Book B13:66).

Following her death, Sarah Jane Kane's moiety rescinded back to her sister Ann Elizabeth Kane (recited in New Castle County Deed Book I16:222). By the terms of her will dated December 3, 1885, Ann Elizabeth Kane devised the farm to her brother, John F. Kane, at her death (date not specified; recited in New Castle County Deed Book I16:222). A map of the area published in 1893 confirms "J.F. Kane['s]" ownership of the farm (Baist 1893).

John F. Kane may not have resided on the family farm. A deed dated January 17, 1894, indicates that he and his wife, Edith A., were residents of Red Lion Hundred, New Castle County. This deed conveyed the Kane family farm to Pencader Hundred resident, Charles H. Salmon (also known as Solomon) (New Castle County Deed Book I16:222). Salmon paid \$3,500 for the 105-acre farm.

Salmon retained ownership of the farm until March 14, 1905. A deed bearing this date conveyed the farm to Walter Dickinson in consideration of \$6,000 (New Castle County Deed Book C20:413). Dickinson held the farm for only a few years, conveying it to Odessa resident, Annie B. Berry, on May 4, 1909 (New Castle County Deed Book H22:276). Berry paid \$7,000 for the farm. By September 21, 1915, the widow Berry was residing in St. Georges Hundred, when she conveyed the farm to Pencader Hundred resident William T. Sartin in consideration of \$7,300 (New Castle County Deed Book Q25:317).

Albert T. Sartin, a single man, sold the former Kane farmstead to Bennett H. Buckworth and Bessie S., his wife, during August 1934 (New Castle County Deed Book G39:494). This transaction was the first deed to include surveyed metes and bounds in the recitation. This formal survey likely is the reason why subsequent references to the farm indicate 107 acres of land associated with the property. The Buckworths remained tenured in the land until January 1951, when they sold it to Warren Voshell and Maud C., his wife, for \$16,000 (New Castle County Deed Book X50:113). During the Buckworth ownership, the couple conveyed "...an easement or right of way..." to Delaware Power & Light Company in September 1945 (New Castle County Deed Book N45:483). Warren Voshell died during January 1958, and the farm passed to Maud as his widow (New Castle County Register of Wills file #39091). Maud remained vested in the property until September 1967, when she conveyed the entire 107-acre farmstead to Harvey Voshell and Hazel L., his wife, for the nominal fee of \$1 (New Castle County Deed Book P79:159). The relationship, if any, between Maud Voshell and Harvey Voshell is currently unknown, but presumably he is the son of Warren and Maud. During July 1997, Harvey contracted with Clifton L. Bakhsh Jr. Incorporated to divide off a one-acre parcel from the main farmstead on the portion of Bethel Church Road that extends to Chesapeake City. The Voshells filed the resulting survey drawing as a minor subdivision plan with the New Castle County Recorder of Deeds (New Castle County plans 13283). In June 2006, Harvey and Hazel Voshell sold a 0.81-acre portion of their farm to the State of Delaware, Department of Transportation for

\$29,500 (New Castle County Deed Instrument 20060609-0055410). The Voshell's still retain their farmstead, now measuring 105.09 acres, today.

#### *National Register Evaluation*

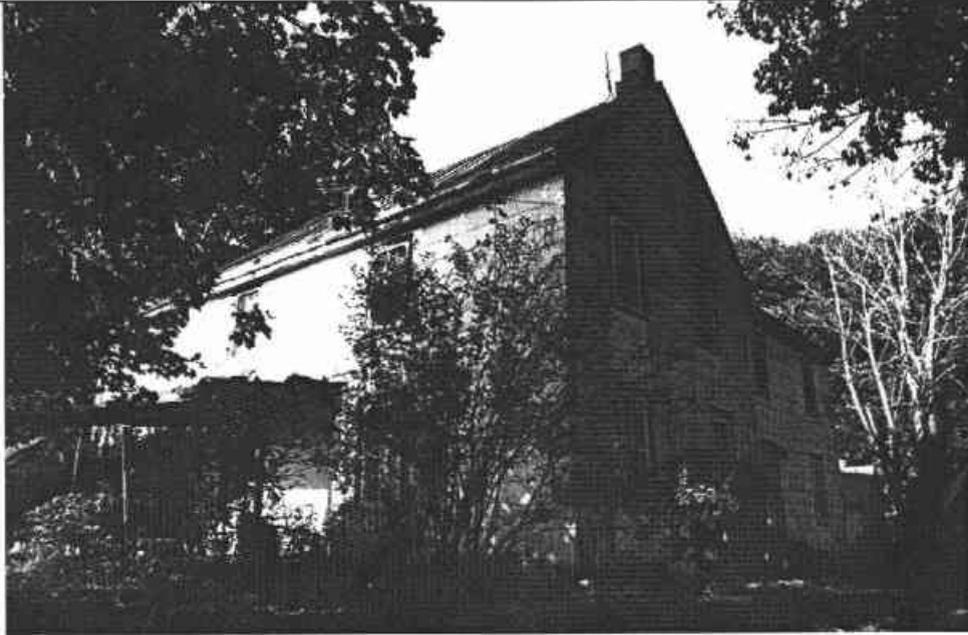
The property located at 1035 Bethel Church Road was previously documented by the New Castle County Planning Department in 1980, in 1994 by the University of Delaware, and again in 2004 by Kise, Straw, and Kolodner, and was not previously evaluated for listing in the National Register. Since the 2004 survey, several of the previously documented outbuildings have collapsed or severely deteriorated. For the current survey, a CRS 2 form was completed for the dwelling and CRS 3 forms were completed for the *circa*-1900 summer kitchen, *circa*-1900 granary, *circa*-1920 privy, *circa*-1930 privy, *circa*-1930 garage, *circa*-1930 shed, and *circa*-1935 milkhouse.

The property at 1035 Bethel Church Road was evaluated as an Agricultural Resource as identified in the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report* (A.D. Marble & Company 2005). An eligible farm should have historic significance and possess specific features (house, barn, two outbuildings, small-scale features, plan, feeling of a farm complex, and circulation) as well as integrity from the period of agricultural significance. The farmstead is an example of an early-twentieth-century dairy farm that retains buildings reflective of its historic agricultural use, including a converted dairy barn and milk house. The property retains the setting of a farm complex and it retains its historically associated farm lands, which enhances integrity of association. The farm also retains a historic house. However, many of the associated outbuildings, including an equipment shed and silo, are no longer extant. The loss of many of the associated outbuildings detracts from integrity of association and feeling. The integrity of materials of the buildings, more specifically the house, has been compromised by the replacement of original wall cladding. An examination of historic aerials also reveals the presence of additional outbuildings southwest of the dwelling and barn no longer exist. The historic linear farm plan can still be seen in that the ridges of the house and barn are aligned and the buildings oriented end to end. However, the loss of adjacent outbuildings has somewhat compromised the property's historic linear farm plan.

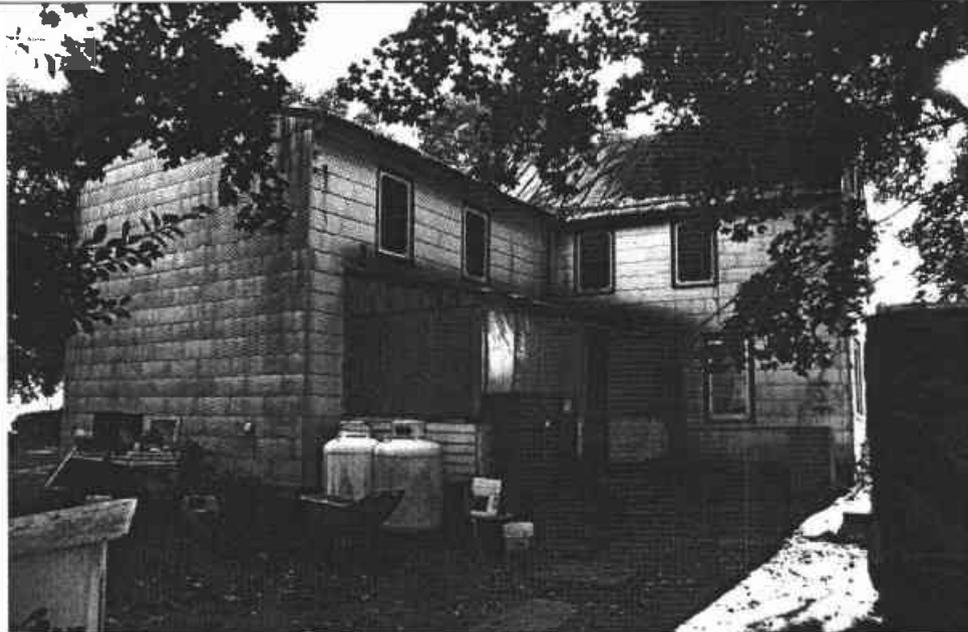
As a complex, the farm lacks sufficient integrity to convey its historic agricultural use due to lack of integrity of design and association. The loss of the silo, corncrib, equipment shed, and other associated outbuildings has compromised the integrity of feeling, association, and design of the farm complex. Better-preserved examples of dairy farms are located in the U.S. 301 study area, including Mt. Pleasant Farm (CRS No. N05242), which retains its dairy barn with attached silo, milk house, and cow shed. Due to loss of integrity, the John Wesley Kane Farm is not eligible under Criterion A in the area of agriculture as an example of an early-twentieth-century dairy farm. The buildings that make up the complex also lack sufficient integrity of materials and workmanship to be considered eligible under Criterion C in the area of architecture. To be individually eligible under the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report*, a farm building must be a rare, unique, or well-preserved example of a barn, house, or outbuilding. The dwelling is not an outstanding example of a vernacular form or method of construction. The *circa*-1804 rear ell that could conceal an earlier log dwelling, and a later, *circa*-1860 front block, is a common construction practice found throughout the area. Additionally, it lacks integrity of materials as the fenestration, form, the roof, and wall cladding are modern replacements. The

extant outbuildings are examples of a common outbuilding type and would not be considered individually eligible. The property is not eligible under Criterion B as it has no known association with individuals of local historical import. The property does not appear to possess the potential to yield information on building practices or methods of construction; therefore, the property does not appear to be eligible for listing under Criterion D.

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N06191. Photograph 1: Dwelling, north and east elevations, view to southwest. Note deterioration of front porch.



N06191. Photograph 2: Dwelling, west and south elevation, view to northeast. Note asbestos shingles and enclosed side porch.

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N06191. Photograph 3: Garage, east and north elevations, view to southwest. Note deteriorated condition.



N06191. Photograph 4: Summer kitchen, east elevation, view to northwest. Note the large openings added to the front and the corrugated metal that now covers the roof.

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N06191. Photograph 5: Granary/dairy barn and milkhouse, east elevation, view to southwest. Note deteriorated condition and severe vegetation overgrowth.



N06191. Photograph 6: Milkhouse, north and east elevations, view to southwest. The milkhouse is attached directly to the north elevation of the granary/dairy barn.

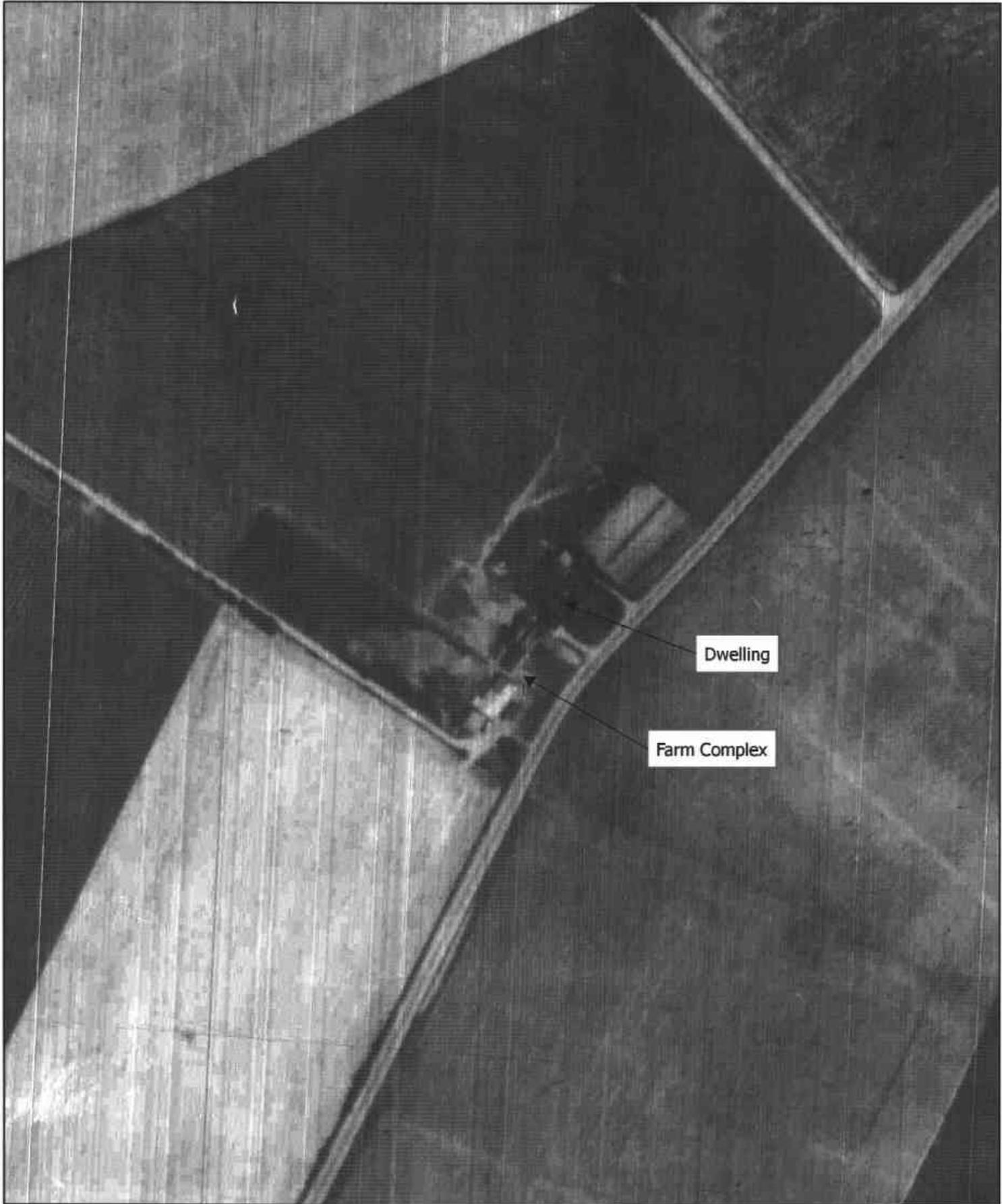


N06191. Photograph 7: Privy #2, west and north elevations, view to southeast. Note west and north elevations of summer kitchen in background and southwest corner of privy #1 in foreground.



N06191. Photograph 8: Shed, east and south elevations, view to northwest. Note deteriorated condition and vegetation overgrowth.

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J.W. Kane - CRS No. N06191





CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N06191.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION John Wesley Kane Farm

2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Rd

3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished

4. INTEGRITY: The integrity of the house appears unchanged since the previous (1994) survey. Some of the outbuildings are in poor or deteriorated condition.

5. SETTING INTEGRITY: The farmstead's integrity of setting remains intact. However, subdivisions are being built to the west on other farm properties.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
1	CRS02	Dwelling
7	CRS03	Garage, Granary, Milkhouse, Privy 1, Privy 2, Summer Kitchen, Tool Shed
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Emma K. Young / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 10/27/2005

**8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:**

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The property overall is in seriously deteriorated condition.

**9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):**

**a) Time period(s)**

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
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- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

**b) Geographical zone**

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

**c) Historic period theme(s)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance                | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services  | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown                                       |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAIN BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.01

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Dwelling current Dwelling

3. YEAR BUILT: 1840 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Georgian with rear ell

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

other location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. Front block

year

1860

b. Semi-enclosed side porch

1960

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)

a. Overall shape: L-shaped Stories: Two (2)  
Additions: Semi-enclosed, one-story, side porch on west elevation of rear ell

b. Structural system (if known): Frame

c. Foundation: materials: Field stone and mortar; stucco; brick  
basement: full  partial  not visible  no basement

d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Asbestos shingle

e. Roof: shape: Side gable  
materials: Standing seam metal  
cornice: Wooden, plain, boxed  
dormers: N/A  
chimney: location(s): (2) concrete block, interior, end chimneys

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: Direction: S
  - 1) Bays Three (3)
  - 2) Windows
    - fenestration Regular
    - type 6/6 DHS, wooden, original
    - trim Plain, flat, wooden
    - shutters 0

**Facade (cont'd)**

- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** Center Bay  
     **type** 2/2 panel, solid, wooden, single-leaf  
     **trim** Plain, flat, wooden surround with a three-light transom
- 4) **Porch(es)** 1-bay, 1-story, hipped-roof, entry porch with wooden landing

**b. Side: Direction: E**

- 1) **Bays** Five (5)
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** Irregular  
     **type** (4) 6/6 DHS wooden, original; (4) 2/2 DHS, wooden, original  
     **trim** Plain, flat, wooden  
     **shutters** 0
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** Center bay of rear ell  
     **type** 1-light, 3-panel, single-leaf, wooden  
     **trim** Plain, flat, wooden
- 4) **Porch(es)** None; bulkhead to cellar located in western bay of main block

**c. Side: Direction: W**

- 1) **Bays** Five (5)
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** Irregular  
     **type** (4) 6/6 DHS, wooden; (2) 2/2 DHS wooden; (2) 4-light, fixed sash, wooden  
     **trim** Plain, flat, wooden  
     **shutters** 0
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** Center bay of rear ell  
     **type** 2-light/2-panel single-leaf, wooden  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** Semi-enclosed, shed-roof (corrugated metal) porch extends the entire length of first story of rear ell

**d. Rear: Direction: N**

- 1) **Bays** Three (3)
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** Irregular  
     **type** (2) 6/6 DHS, wooden; (1) 2/2 DHS, wooden  
     **trim** Plain, flat, surround  
     **shutters** 0
- 3) **Door(s)** 0  
     **location** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** 0

9. **INTERIOR:** Not accessible.

10. **LANDSCAPING:** Mature trees, dense over-grown vegetation

11. **OTHER COMMENTS:** Continues to operate as a working dairy farm.



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.02

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Garage current Vacant

3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open/Regular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

N/A

year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Timber Frame

b. Number of stories One (1)

c. Wall coverings Timber Frame

d. Foundation None

e. Roof

structural system Medium-pitched, front-gabled

coverings Standing seam

openings None

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: One (1)

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): (1) set of paired, sliding doors

4) other: N/A

- b. Side: direction: E
  - 1) bays: One (1)
  - 2) windows: (1); window is missing, so now remains a square opening
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

- c. Side: direction: W
  - 1) bays: 0
  - 2) windows: 0
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

- d. Rear: direction: N
  - 1) bays: One (1)
  - 2) windows: (1); window is missing so now remains a square opening
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan            Not accesible

b) Partition/walls        Not accesible

c) Finishes            Not accesible

d) Furnishings/machinery    Not accesible



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.03

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Summer Kitchen current Storage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1940 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Rectangular, open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Timber frame

b. Number of stories One (1)

c. Wall coverings Vinyl siding and vertical board

d. Foundation None

e. Roof

structural system High-pitched side gable

coverings Corrugated metal

openings Brick exterior chimney on west elevation

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: Three (3)

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): (2) large square openings; (1) single-leaf vertical board and batten door with strap hinges

4) other: N/A

b. Side: direction: E

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

c. Side: direction: W

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

d. Rear: direction: N

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan            Not accessible

b) Partition/walls        Not accessible

c) Finishes            Not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    Not accessible



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.04

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Granary/Dairy Barn current Dairy Barn

3. YEAR BUILT: 1900 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open with milking stalls on first floor

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

N/A

year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. Concrete block extension to accommodate milking parlor

b. N/A

year

1945

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Timber frame; vertical board and batten

b. Number of stories Two (2)

c. Wall coverings Timber frame and concrete block

d. Foundation Concrete block

e. Roof

structural system Front gable

coverings Corrugated metal

openings 0

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: Three (3)

2) windows: (3) 4-light, awning-sash; (1) timber-frame covered window-like opening underneath gable

3) door(s): 0

4) other: Hay hood visible on second story

- b. **Side: direction: W**
  - 1) **bays:** Not accessible
  - 2) **windows:** Not accessible
  - 3) **door(s):** Not accessible
  - 4) **other:** Not accessible
  
- c. **Side: direction: E**
  - 1) **bays:** Four (4)
  - 2) **windows:** (4) square openings
  - 3) **door(s):** 0
  - 4) **other:** N/A
  
- d. **Rear: direction: N**
  - 1) **bays:** Not accessible
  - 2) **windows:** Not accessible
  - 3) **door(s):** Not accessible
  - 4) **other:** Not accessible

9. **INTERIOR (if accessible):**

- a) **Floor plan**            **Not accesible**
  
- b) **Partition/walls**        **Not accesible**
  
- c) **Finishes**            **Not accesible**
  
- d) **Furnishings/machinery**        **Not accesible**



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15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.05

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Milkhouse current Milkhouse

3. YEAR BUILT: 1935 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Concrete block

b. Number of stories One (1)

c. Wall coverings Concrete block

d. Foundation None

e. Roof

structural system Medium-pitched, front gabled

coverings Corrugated metal

openings Vent protruding from center of roof ridge

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: Three (3)

2) windows: (2) 4-light, fixed-sash

3) door(s): (1) door-like opening that provides access into milking parlor

4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: W**

- 1) **bays:** 0
- 2) **windows:** 0
- 3) **door(s):** 0
- 4) **other:** West elevation of milkhouse is attached directly to east elevation of converted granary (now dairy barn).

**c. Side: direction: E**

- 1) **bays:** Two (2)
- 2) **windows:** (2) 4-light, fixed sash; aluminum louvered vent underneath gable
- 3) **door(s):** 0
- 4) **other:** N/A

**d. Rear: direction: N**

- 1) **bays:** Two (2)
- 2) **windows:** (2) 4-light, fixed sash
- 3) **door(s):** 0
- 4) **other:** N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

**a) Floor plan            Not accessible**

**b) Partition/walls        Not accesible**

**c) Finishes            Not accessible**

**d) Furnishings/machinery    Not accessible**



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.06

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Privy # 1 current Storage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1920 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open, regular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Frame

b. Number of stories One (1)

c. Wall coverings Vertical board and batten

d. Foundation Concrete block

e. Roof

structural system Low-pitched front gable

coverings Corrugated metal

openings 0

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: W

1) bays: One (1)

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): (1) single-leaf, solid, wooden door

4) other: N/A

- b. Side: direction: S
  - 1) bays: One (1)
  - 2) windows: (1) window-like opening covered with mesh wire
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

- c. Side: direction: N
  - 1) bays: 0
  - 2) windows: 0
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

- d. Rear: direction: E
  - 1) bays: 0
  - 2) windows: 0
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan            Not accessible

b) Partition/walls        Not accessible

c) Finishes            Not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    Not accessible



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.07

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Privy # 2 current Privy

3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open, regular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Frame

b. Number of stories One (1)

c. Wall coverings Vertical board and batten

d. Foundation Poured concrete

e. Roof

structural system Shed roof; slopes downward from west to east

coverings Corrugated metal

openings 0

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: W

1) bays: One (1)

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): (1) single-leaf, board and batten door with metal strap hinges

4) other: N/A

b. Side: direction: N

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

c. Side: direction: S

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

d. Rear: direction: E

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan            Not accessible

b) Partition/walls        Not accessible

c) Finishes            Not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    Not accessible



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06191.08

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1035 Bethel Church Road
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Shed current Storage
3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Open
5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved
- | <u>if moved, from where</u> | <u>original location's CRS #</u> | <u>year</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| N/A                         | N/A                              |             |
| N/A                         | N/A                              |             |
- list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year
- a. N/A
- b. N/A
6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

- a. Structural system Frame
- b. Number of stories One (1)
- c. Wall coverings Frame
- d. Foundation Concrete block
- e. Roof  
structural system Low-pitched, side gable  
coverings Wood shingle  
openings 0

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: direction: E
- 1) bays: One (1)
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): (1) single-leaf, wooden
- 4) other: N/A

- b. **Side: direction: S**
  - 1) **bays: One (1)**
  - 2) **windows: (1) window-like opening**
  - 3) **door(s): 0**
  - 4) **other: N/A**

- c. **Side: direction: N**
  - 1) **bays: One (1)**
  - 2) **windows: (1) 6-light, fixed sash**
  - 3) **door(s): 0**
  - 4) **other: N/A**

- d. **Rear: direction: W**
  - 1) **bays: 0**
  - 2) **windows: 0**
  - 3) **door(s): 0**
  - 4) **other: N/A**

9. **INTERIOR (if accessible):**

a) **Floor plan**            **Not accessible**

b) **Partition/walls**        **Not accessible**

c) **Finishes**            **Not accessible**

d) **Furnishings/machinery**        **Not accessible**



**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

**DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
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**CRS#:**

**N06191.**

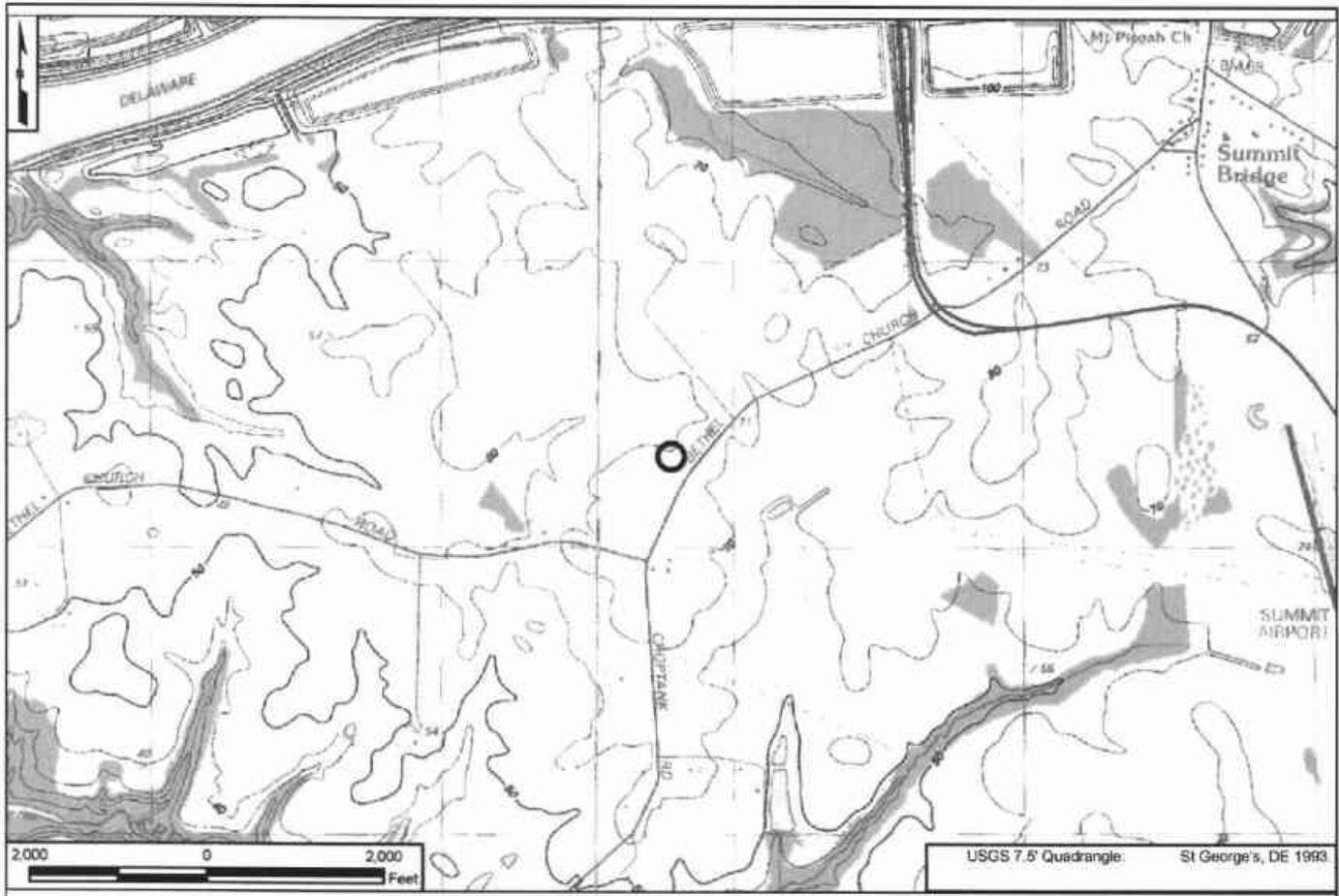
**1. ADDRESS/LOCATION:**            **1035 Bethel Church Rd**

**2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION:**

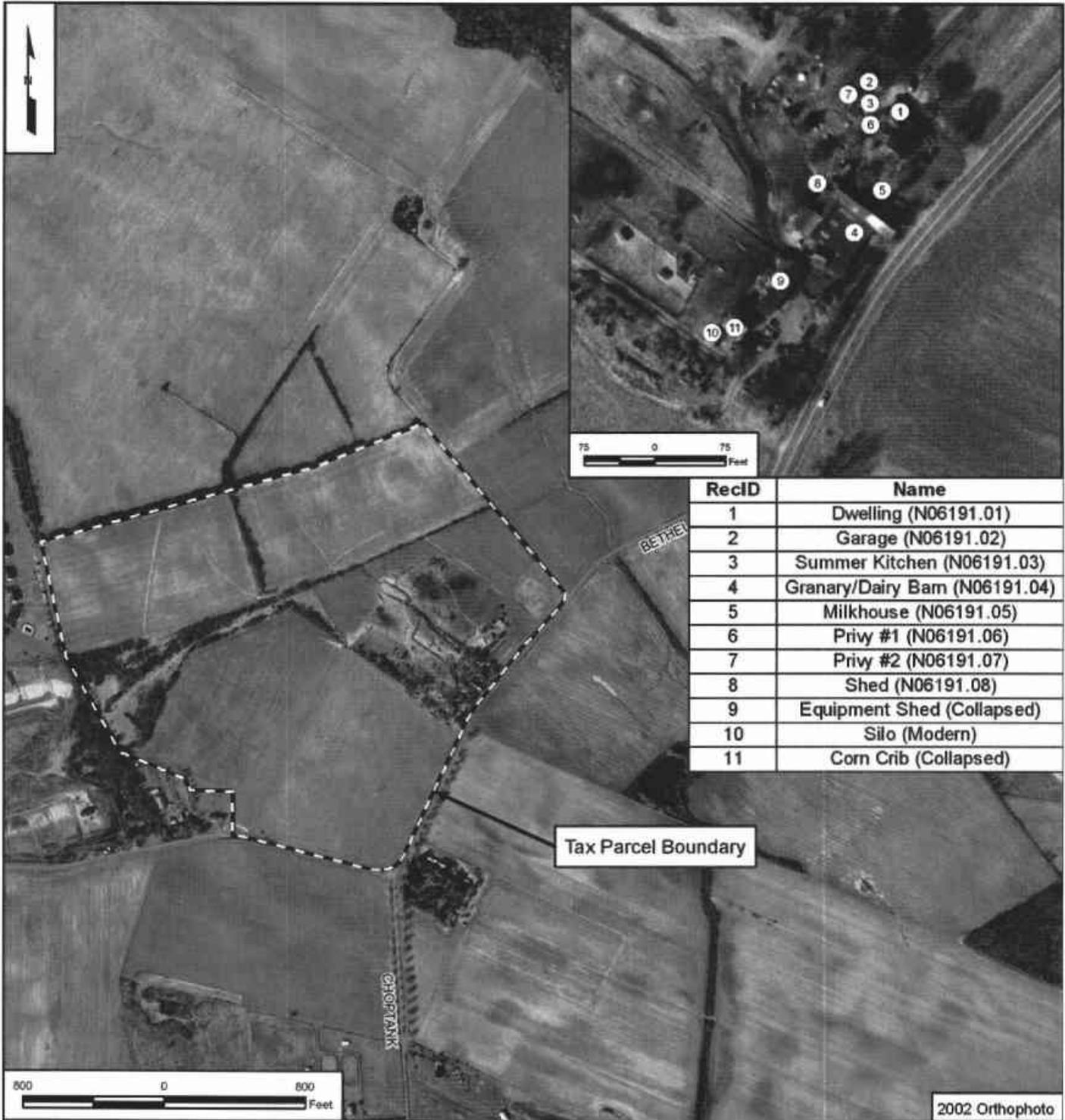
**3. LOCATION MAP:**

**Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.**

**(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)**



4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N06320**

939 Bethel Church Road

Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1800; ca. 1850

Time Period: 1770-1830<sub>±</sub>, Early Industrialization; 1830-1880<sub>±</sub>, Industrialization and Early Urbanization; 1880-1940<sub>±</sub>, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization

Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula

Historic Period Theme(s): Agriculture; Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture)

Name: J. Biggs House

Tax Parcel: 1105800001

### *Description*

A short gravel driveway leads north from Bethel Church Road to the dwelling known as the J. Biggs House, which is named for the property owner delineated on Rea and Price's 1849 atlas. This 9.94-acre property contains a *circa*-1800 log dwelling, now concealed by a *circa*-1850 frame addition and encased in *circa*-1990 vinyl siding. All of the original windows were replaced with modern vinyl windows at the same time of the exterior wall alteration. This two-story, five-bay, L-shaped dwelling contains a *circa*-1995, one-story, three-bay addition on the northeast corner. A modern pressure-treated lumber deck, raised approximately three feet above ground level, is located on the north (rear) elevation of the dwelling. According to the current owners, which were interviewed at a U.S. 301 public meeting in June 2005, the walls of the original, one-story log block (contained at the south end) are exposed on the interior.

A stone driveway passes to the west of the dwelling and accesses a *circa*-1940, one-story, four-bay frame outbuilding. Once used as a machine shed, the building now houses a furniture refinishing and cabinetry shop. The walls of the structure are clad in vertical vinyl siding. To the northeast of the dwelling sits a *circa*-1990, one-story, three-bay modern shed with a small, two-bay lean-to addition on the east elevation. Mature trees and domestic plantings surround the property to the north, east, and west, while cultivated fields lie across Bethel Church Road to the south.

### *Historical Narrative*

On July 10, 1780, Thomas Wirt acquired two parcels of land, one comprising 10.0 acres and the other containing 45.0 acres. He purchased the 10.0-acre lot, located in Pencader Hundred, for £85 from John Evans, it being part of a much larger tract that Evans owned called "Green's Mannor" (New Castle County Deed Book D2:321). The property included a "messuage" or dwelling. Edmund Armstrong conveyed the second parcel to Thomas Wirt, a merchant, and Martin Wirt for £2,800 from the larger tract known as "Armstrong's Fortune" (New Castle County Deed Book D2:362). The deed does not delineate any structures on the property beyond the term "appurtenances," but the selling price seems rather large for a 45.0-acre parcel of empty land devoid of buildings. More than three years later, Thomas Wirt added more land to his holdings when he acquired another 72.75-acre parcel from Donaldson Yeates and his wife, which was divided out of the larger "Green's Mannor" tract for £436-10 on November 24, 1783 (New Castle County Deed Book E2:326). The deed indicates that a James Davison had formerly rented the land as a tenant and that Wirt then leased the same property at the time he purchased the parcel. Yeates included in the conveyance "...all and singular...appurtenances...all the buildings [and] Improvements... (ibid.).

On August 5, 1789, Thomas Wirt sold 90.25 acres of his Pencader Hundred landing holdings to Thomas Smyth for £361 (New Castle County Deed Book R2:66). The deed states that the property had been parceled out from the larger “Green’s Mannor” tract and that George Bird had a lease on the land at the time of the sale to Smyth. Wirt assembled the 90.25 acres from the following land acquisitions:

- the 72.75-acre parcel gained from Donaldson Yeates and wife in 1783;
- 6.5 acres from the 10.0 acres purchased of John Evans; and
- two more lots, a 2.75-acre parcel and an 8.25-acre tract that Evans sold to Wirt, but deeds could not be located for these two transactions.

The 90.25 acres included “...all and singular the houses, out houses...and all improvements” attached to the property (*ibid.*). Thomas Smyth became overextended in his finances and in April 1804, he defaulted on a \$1,500 loan obtained from the Bank of Delaware in May 1803. As a result, he conveyed five parcels of land, including the 90.25-acre tract obtained from Thomas Wirt in 1789, to the Bank as payment in lieu of cash. Subsequently, Thomas Smyth died and his widow, Mary, sold a 72.75-acre tract of land to James A. Bayard, Esq., on February 2, 1805 in an apparently unrecorded transaction. A week later, Bayard acquired the 90.25-acre parcel formerly belonging to Thomas Smyth from the Bank of Delaware via another apparently unrecorded deed (New Castle County Deed Book C4:441). In his will, he devised his real estate to his six children as tenants in common. One daughter named Mary died young, leaving five residual heirs holding the land. On January 25, 1823, Richard H. Bayard and Ann Caroline Bayard, both of Philadelphia, along with James A. Bayard, Esq. of Wilmington, sold their three-fifths interest in their deceased father’s land, consisting of the 72.75-acre and 90.25-acre parcels, to John Biggs for an aggregate amount of \$780 (*ibid.*). Biggs gained full ownership of these two parcels by two separate transactions. The first occurred in November 1827, when Edward Bayard conveyed his one-fifth interest to Biggs for \$280 (New Castle County Deed Book G4:177). Biggs obtained the final one-fifth interest during April 1831, when Henry M. Bayard sold his share to Biggs for the same amount—\$280 (New Castle County Deed Book M4:428).

The 1849 Rea and Price map shows “J. Biggs” as owning the farm at this location. According to the previous documentation for CRS No. N05123, this log dwelling was the home of John Biggs, the father of Governor Benjamin T. Biggs, until the 1846 brick dwelling (CRS No. N05123) was erected to the south. On January 7, 1862, the heirs of John Biggs sold a 212.79-acre “...farm, plantation or tract of land...” to Jane E. Brisbane, also an heir of John Biggs and wife of William H. Brisbane, for \$11,660 (New Castle County Deed Book P7:279). The 1881 Hopkins atlas depicts “Mrs. J.E. Brisbane” as the owner of farm, which then listed the farmstead as containing 187.0 acres. However, the survey work for the Hopkins atlas evidently occurred in 1880 or before, because on December 11, 1880, Jane E. Brisbane conveyed the farm to Caroline Biggs for \$7,000 (New Castle County Deed Book W11:14). The deed recites the two transactions that reduced the farmstead from 212.79 acres to 187.91 acres. Like the 1881 Hopkins atlas, the 1893 Baist atlas lists “Mrs. J.E. Brisbane” as still owning the farm, which is patently incorrect. In many respects, the 1893 Baist atlas is almost a facsimile of the 1881 Hopkins atlas with some selective corrections accomplished.

Caroline Biggs died on July 1, 1900. In her will dated April 25, 1900, she devised the farm to her son, Abram B. Biggs (New Castle County Register of Wills WR W2:452). Abram Biggs died unmarried and intestate on or about December 8, 1927. By virtue of the intestate laws of the State of Delaware, the Biggs farm descended to his sole heir, John F. Biggs (New Castle County Deed Book O45:544). On April 6, 1946 Biggs and his wife, Emma L., conveyed the 187.91-acre "Locust Grove Farm" to Sewell C. Biggs for \$12,000 (New Castle County Deed Book O45:544). On February 3, 1976, Biggs sold off a 52.46-acre parcel described as "that certain farm, plantation or tract of land" to Charles J. Butler and his wife, Adeline S., for \$96,000 (New Castle County Deed Book C92:349). On March 25, 1988, the Butlers sold an 8.60-acre portion of the property along with the house to the current owners, John D. Moore and his wife, Joanne, for \$43,007 (New Castle County Deed Book 677:301). The New Castle County Parcel View website lists the current size of the Moore's parcel as containing 9.94 acres.

### *National Register Evaluation*

The property located at 939 Bethel Church Road was previously documented by the New Castle County Department of Planning in 1981 and in the 1993 study (Siders et al. 1993), although it was not previously evaluated for listing in the National Register. As part of the current study, the J. Biggs House is being evaluated as a Farm Complex and Residential Resource as identified in the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report* (A.D. Marble & Company 2005).

The J. Biggs House was part of a nineteenth-century farm complex. Under the U.S. 301 context, an eligible farm should possess specific features (e.g., house, barn, two outbuildings, small-scale features, plan, feeling of a farm complex, and circulation) as well as integrity from the period of agricultural significance. The property retains integrity of location and setting, for the house is original to the site and cultivated fields and woodland still surround the property. However, the J. Biggs property retains no evidence of the original farm plan, nor does it retain any of the prominent agricultural outbuildings. Due to lack of integrity of design and feeling, the property is not eligible under Criteria A or C as a farm complex. The property is not eligible under Criterion B as it is not known to have been associated with any prominent members of the local community. Although the father of Governor Benjamin T. Biggs lived here, he erected and resided at CRS No. N05123, which later became the home of the governor.

Under Criterion C, the J. Biggs House is not eligible as an example of a Residential Resource due to lack of integrity of materials and design. While the dwelling retains its fenestration pattern from the mid-nineteenth century, it lacks original ornamentation and the massing has been compromised by an addition to the northeast. The use of vinyl siding and the replacement of the original windows compromises the dwelling's integrity of materials. The vinyl siding and the northeast additions also conceal any original workmanship.

Based on previous documentation and an interview with the current property owners, the J. Biggs House is known to be constructed of logs and was evaluated using the guidelines developed for log construction in the U.S. 301 context report. In order to be seen as significant as an example of a log dwelling, a resource must possess the following as well as integrity from the period of significance:

- Log portion of dwelling must be built of horizontal logs (rounds, hewns, or planks);

- Log portion of dwelling should retain original door and window openings;
- Log portion of dwelling should retain evidence of original exterior finish;
- Retention of chimney stack; and
- Additions to the log core should retain integrity at the exterior (Andrezejewski and Siders 1995:F12-F20).

According to the current owners and the 1981 survey form, the dwelling retains hewn horizontal logs at the southern end of the building on the interior. The dwelling also appears to retain original door and window openings at the exterior. However, there is no evidence of the original exterior finish (wooden clapboards). Additionally, the northern addition to the log core does not retain integrity at the exterior due to the enclosure of the walls and cornice in vinyl siding. A better-preserved and eligible example of log dwelling exists within the U.S. 301 study area: the R.G. Hayes House (CRS No. N05153). The Hayes House retains original windows and doors, wooden exterior wall cladding, horizontal logs at the interior, and better integrity of additions at the exterior. Due to lack of integrity and based on exterior investigations only, the J. Biggs House is not eligible as an example of a log dwelling under Criteria C and D. However, if the project should require demolition of the J. Biggs House, the interior of the dwelling should be investigated for possible eligibility under Criterion D.

CRS No. N06320

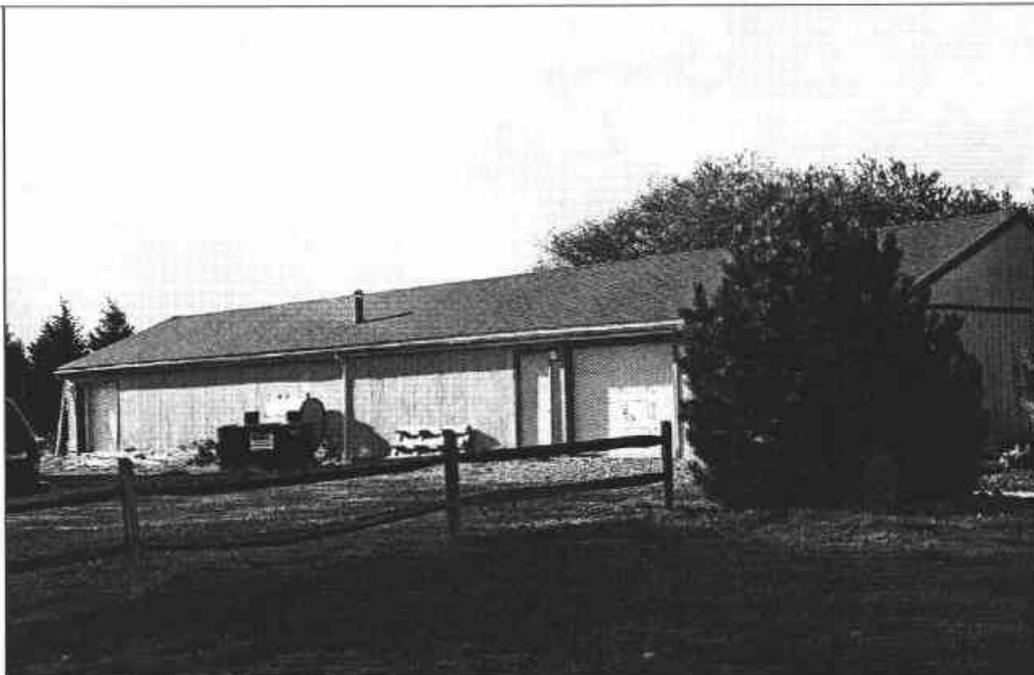


N06320. Photograph 1: Dwelling, south elevation, view to north. Note door surround and landscaped lawn.



N06320. Photograph 2: Dwelling, north and east elevations, view to south. Note additions to rear ell and the modern deck that extends the length of the northern elevation.

**CRS No. N06320**



**N06320. Photograph 3: Machine shop, north and west elevations, view to southeast.**



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N06320.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: J. Biggs House
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 939 Bethel Church Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: House is in very good condition, similar to 1981 and 1994 surveys.

5. SETTING INTEGRITY: There is a modern shed to northeast of dwelling. There is fallow land north of house and cultivated fields to south.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
1	CRS02	Dwelling
1	CRS03	Workshop
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Emma K. Young / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 10/26/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

CRS#

N06320.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II

- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
- 1770-1830 Early Industrialization
- 1830-1880 Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- 1880-1940 Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- 1940-1960 Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization
- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

b) Geographical zone

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

- |   |   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance                | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services  | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown  |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAIN BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06320.01

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 939 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic dwelling current dwelling

3. YEAR BUILT: 1800 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: open regular, center hall

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

N/A

other location's CRS #

N/A

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. interior 1-story log dwelling expanded to 2-story log dwelling 1850

b. 1-story, 1-bay enclosed porch on W elevation; vinyl siding; replacement windows; deck 1990

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)

a. Overall shape: L-shaped w/rear 1-story additon Stories: 2  
Additions: 1-story, 3-bay additon on NE corner

b. Structural system (if known): frame/log

c. Foundation: materials: brick covered w/poured concrete  
basement: full  partial  not visible  no basement

d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): vinyl siding

e. Roof: shape: low pitched gable with ridge parallel to road  
materials: asphalt shingle  
cornice: plain boxed vinyl  
dormers: N/A  
chimney: location(s): interior, stone located on W end of ridge

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: Direction: S

1) Bays 5

2) Windows

fenestration regular  
type 1/1 dhs modern vinyl  
trim plain flat surround  
shutters modern louvered vinyl

**Facade (cont'd)**

- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** center bay  
     **type** single leaf modern vinyl, fan light over 4 panels  
     **trim** modern pediment w/ pilasters around entry
- 4) **Porch(es)** 2 brick steps lead to brick landing & entry

**b. Side: Direction: E**

- 1) **Bays** 5
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** irregular  
     **type** (2) louvered attic vents; (4) 1/1 dhs aluminum; (1) s. of 1/1 dhs paired alum.  
     **trim** N/A  
     **shutters** N/A
- 3) **Door(s)** N/A  
     **location** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** N/A

**c. Side: Direction: W**

- 1) **Bays** 6
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** irregular  
     **type** (3) 1/1 dhs modern vinyl; (2) louvered fiberglass attic vents; (1) set of paired 1 light fixed sash vertical  
     **trim** N/A  
     **shutters** N/A
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** center bay of 1-story enclosed porch addition  
     **type** 4-light/2-panel modern vinyl  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** N/A

**d. Rear: Direction: N**

- 1) **Bays** 6
- 2) **Windows**  
     **fenestration** irregular  
     **type** (3) 1/1 dhs vinyl modern; (1) set of paired 1-light fixed sash modern vinyl  
     **trim** N/A  
     **shutters** N/A
- 3) **Door(s)**  
     **location** easternmost bay: (2) sets of paired modern sliding doors;  
     **type** westernmost bay of 1-story rear addition: 9-light/2 vertical panel vinyl doors  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** modern treated lumber, accessed by 3 steps covers 3/4s of elevation

9. **INTERIOR:** not accessible

10. **LANDSCAPING:** mature trees and some domestic shrubs

11. **OTHER COMMENTS:** highly altered log dwelling



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N06320.02

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 939 Bethel Church Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic machine shed current workshop/garage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1940 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: open, regular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. vinyl strip siding

year

ca.1975

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings vertical strip vinyl siding

d. Foundation concrete slab/concrete block

e. Roof

structural system low pitched gable with ridge parallel to road

coverings asphalt shingle

openings vent/stove pipe protrudes from center of roof on S elevation

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: 4

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): (3) overhead, vinyl, 16-panel garage doors; (1) single-leaf solid vinyl door

4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: W**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: (1) fiberglass louvered square window located at northern end
- 3) door(s): (1) fiberglass 15-panel vinyl overhead garage door
- 4) other: dock/loading area for small furniture refinishing area

**c. Side: direction: E**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): (1) 9-light/2-panel vinyl modern single leaf with one-over-one light metal screen door (modern)
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: N**

- 1) bays: 7
- 2) windows: (3) one-over-one dhs aluminum; (2) fiberglass louvered vents
- 3) door(s): (1) 6-panel solid door; (1) 2 light, 13-panel overhead wooden garage door
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

a) Floor plan            **Not accessible**

b) Partition/walls        **Not accessible**

c) Finishes            **Not accessible**

d) Furnishings/machinery    **Not accessible**



**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

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**CRS#:**

**N06320.**

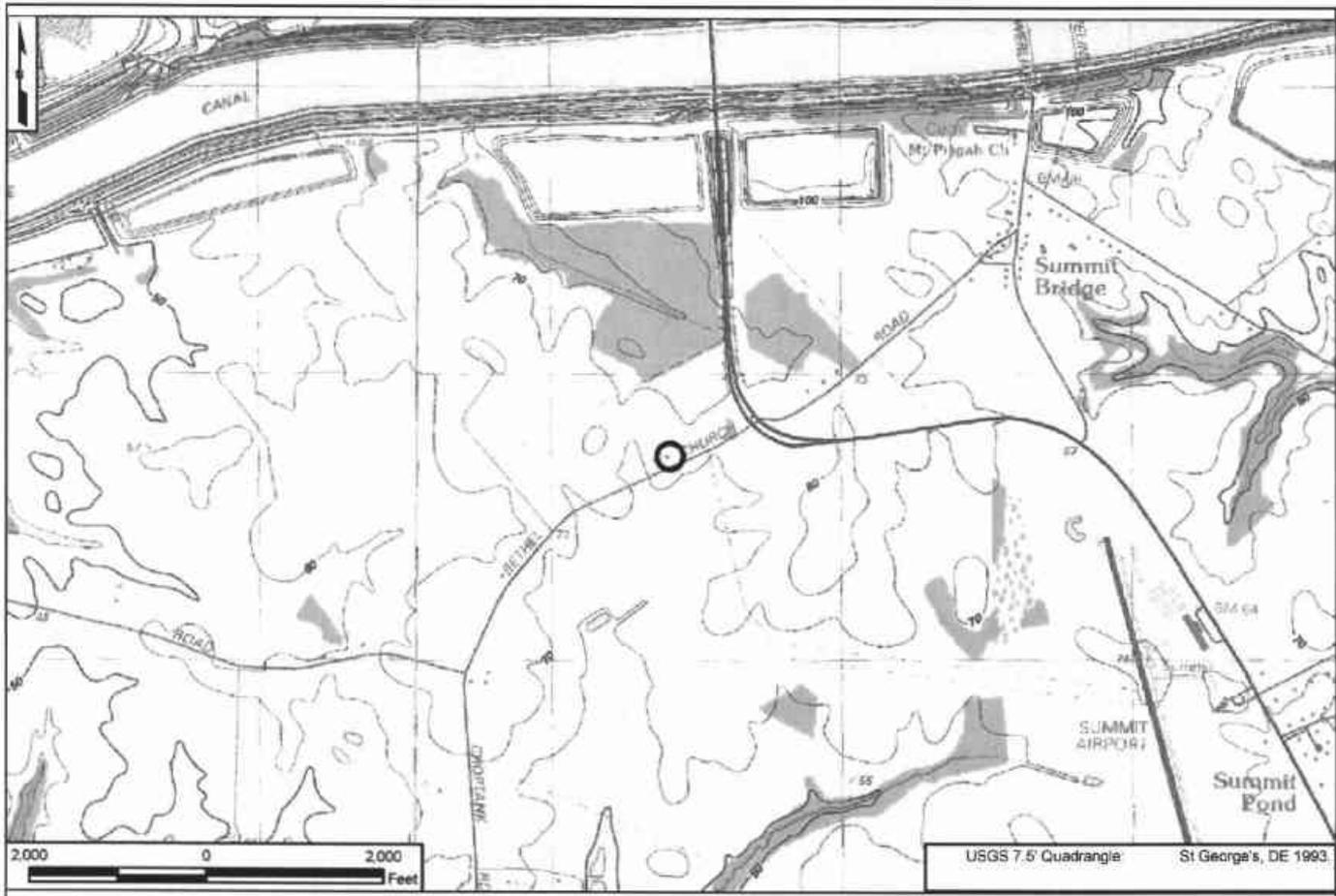
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**2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION:**

**3. LOCATION MAP:**

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**(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)**



4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12014**

**Name: Dwelling Complex, 4531 Summit  
Bridge Road**

**Address: East side of Summit Bridge Road, 765 feet south of Boyds Corner Road**

**Tax Parcel: 1301200024**

**Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1890**

**Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization**

**Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula**

**Historic Period Theme(s): Agriculture; Agriculture, Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes**

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12014.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Dwelling Complex, 4531 Summit Bridge Rd
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: East side of Summit Bridge Rd, 765' South of Boyds Corner Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: Dwelling and outbuildings demolished in July 2005 as part of intersection improvements at Mt. Pleasant.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Located along east side of Summit Bridge Rd (U.S. 301). Cleared lot, only a few trees remain.

6. FORMS ADDED:

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7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/15/2005

**8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:**  
Formerly 4531 Summit Bridge Rd

CRS# N12014.

**9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):**

**a) Time period(s)**

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
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- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

**b) Geographical zone**

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

**c) Historic period theme(s)**

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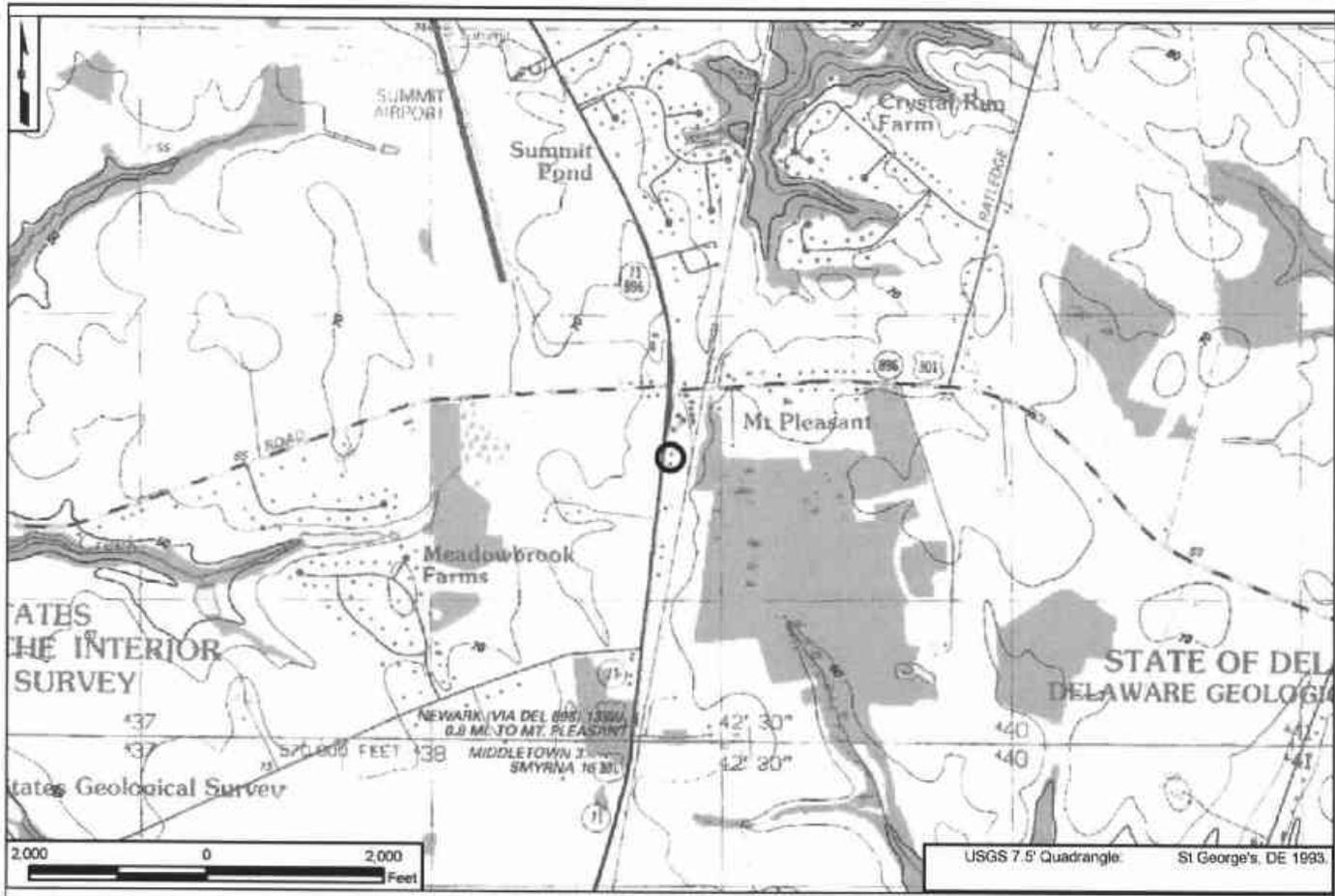
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2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION:

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4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12015**

**Name: Dwelling, 4535 Summit Bridge Road**

**Address: East side of Summit Bridge Road, 875 feet south of Boyds Corner Road**

**Tax Parcel: 1301200025**

**Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1882**

**Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization**

**Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula**

**Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes**

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12015.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Dwelling, 4535 Summit Bridge Rd
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: East side of Summit Bridge Rd, 875' South of Boyds Corner Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: Dwelling and outbuildings demolished in July 2005 as part of intersection improvements at Mt. Pleasant.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Located along east side of Summit Bridge Rd (U.S. 301). Cleared lot, only a few trees remain.

6. FORMS ADDED:

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7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

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Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/15/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:  
Formerly 4535 Summit Bridge Rd

CRS# N12015.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
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- Archaic
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b) Geographical zone

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- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance               | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                               |
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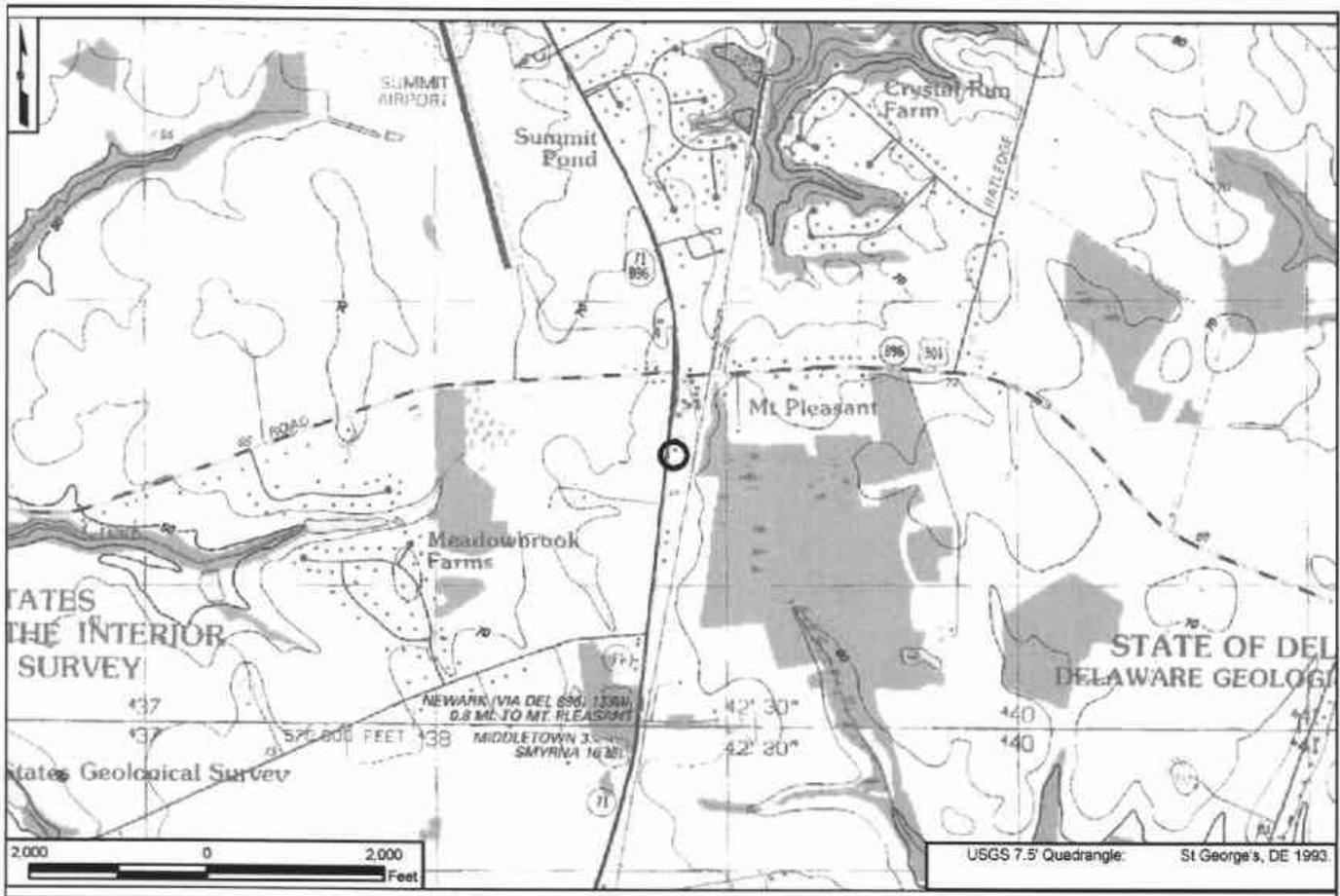
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4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12016**

**Name: Dwelling, 4519 Summit Bridge Road**

**Address: East side of Summit Bridge Road, 500 feet south of Boyds Corner Road**

**Tax Parcel: 1301200023**

**Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1921**

**Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization**

**Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula**

**Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes**

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12016.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Dwelling, 4519 Summit Bridge Rd
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: East side of Summit Bridge Rd, 500' South of Boyds Corner Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: Dwelling and shed identified in previous survey demolished in July 2005 as part of intersection improvements at Mt. Pleasant.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Located along east side of Summit Bridge Rd (U.S. 301). Cleared lot, only a few trees remain.

6. FORMS ADDED:

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7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/15/2005

**8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:**  
Formerly 4519 Summit Bridge Rd

CRS# N12016.

**9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):**

**a) Time period(s)**

- Pre-European Contact
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- Urban (City of Wilmington)

**c) Historic period theme(s)**

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM

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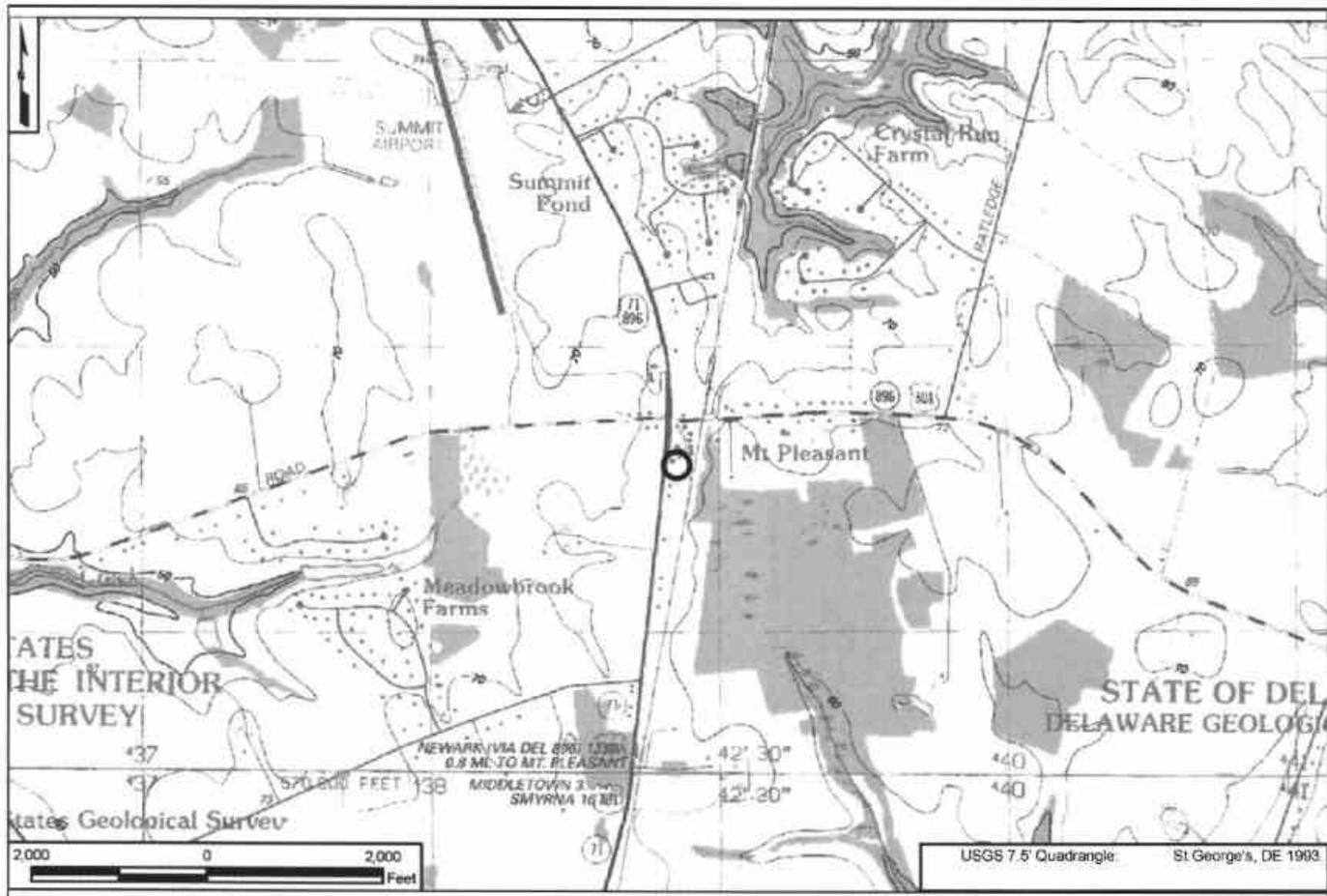
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4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12017**

**Name: Crothers' Granary**

**Address: Southeast corner of Summit Bridge Road and Boyds Corner Road**

**Tax Parcel: 1301200023**

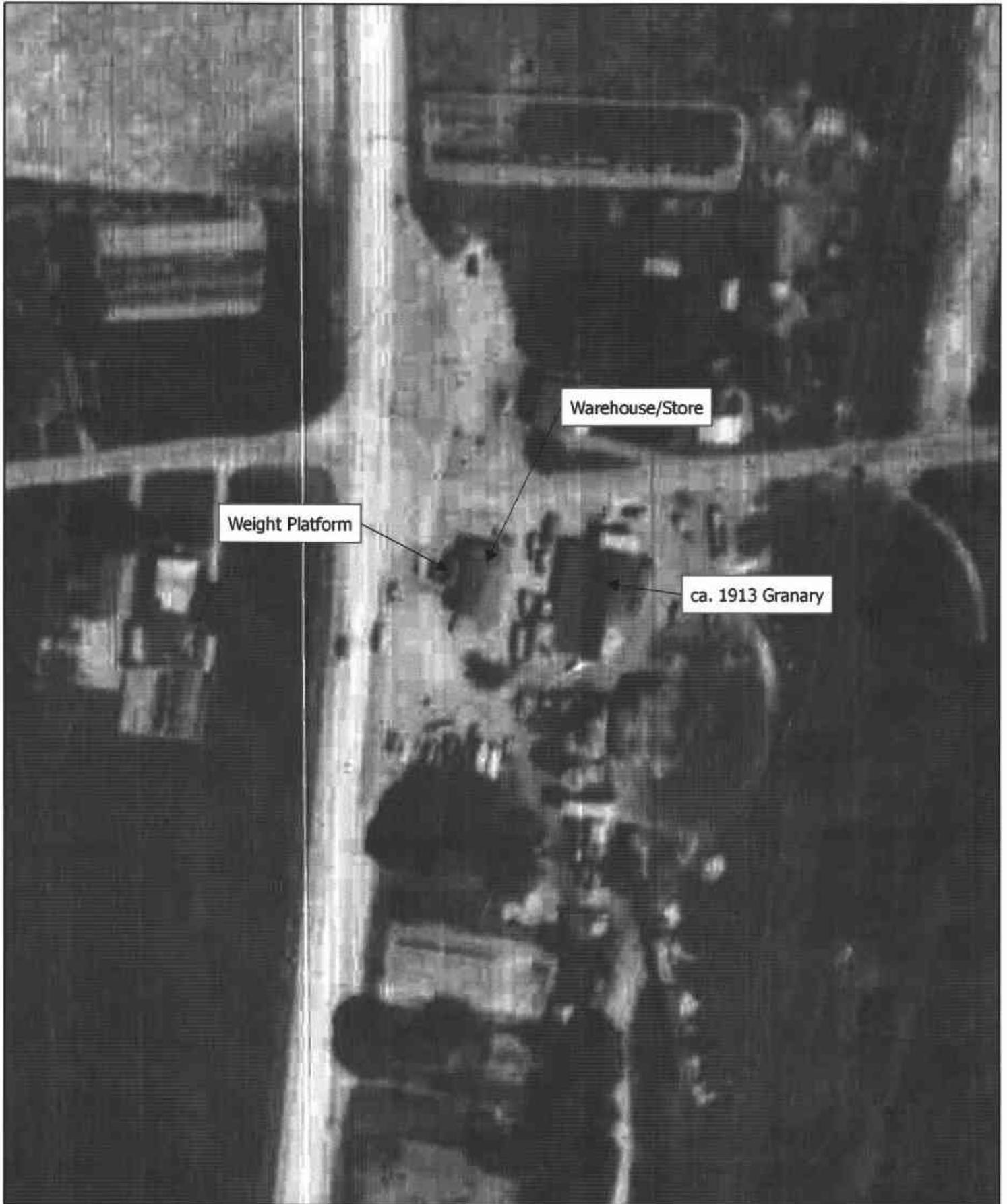
**Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1913**

**Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization**

**Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula**

**Historic Period Theme(s): Agriculture, Retailing/Wholesaling**

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**U.S. 301 Project Development**  
**1962 Aerial**  
Crothers' Granary - CRS No. N12017





CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12017.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Crothers' Granary
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: SE Corner of Summit Bridge Road and Boyds Corner Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: Granary demolished.

5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Modern development at NE intersection of Mt. Pleasant. Dwellings to south demolished in July 2005. Scheduled intersection improvements.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/15/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:  
Formerly 4501 Summit Bridge Rd

CRS# N12017.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
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- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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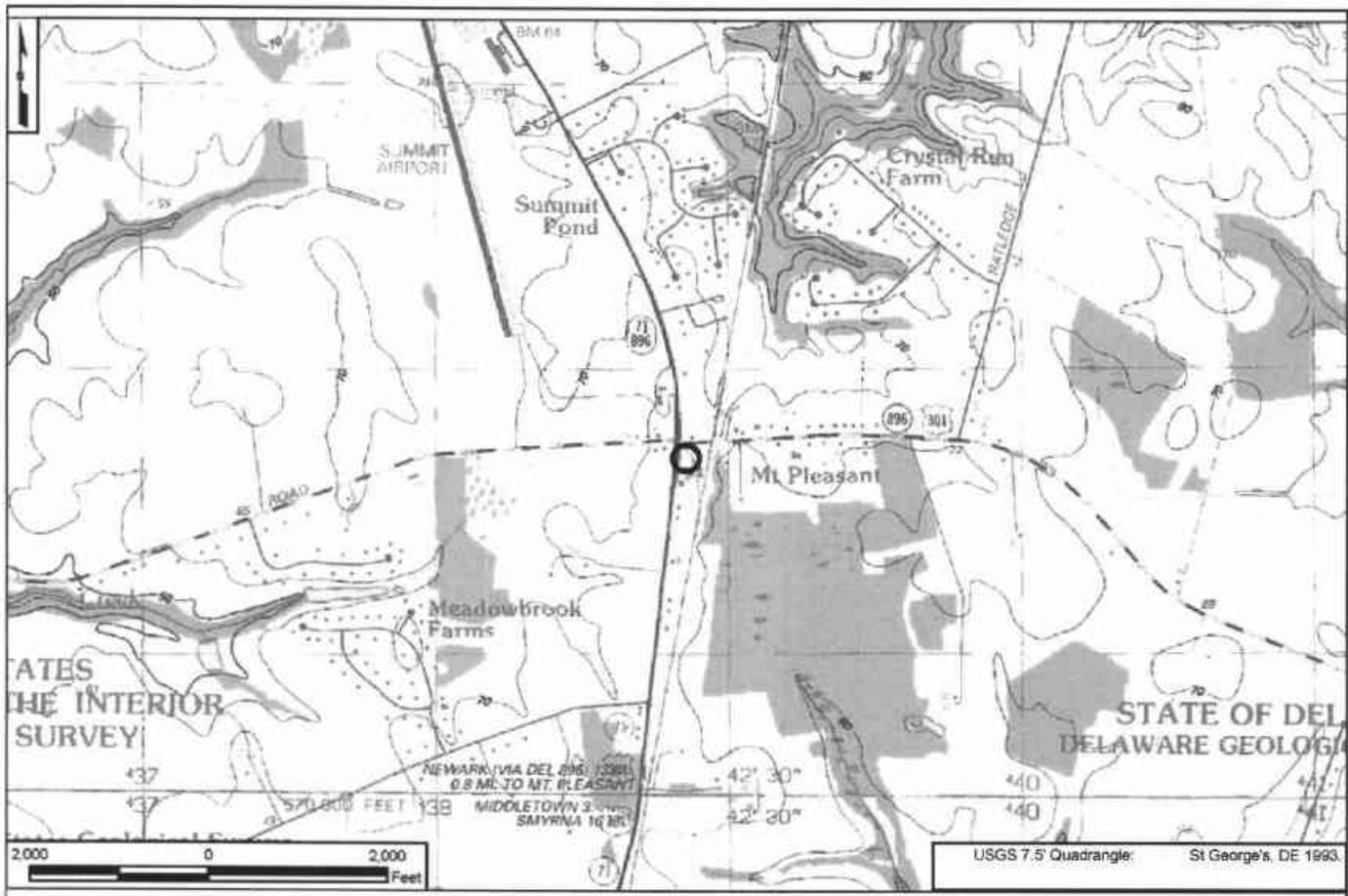
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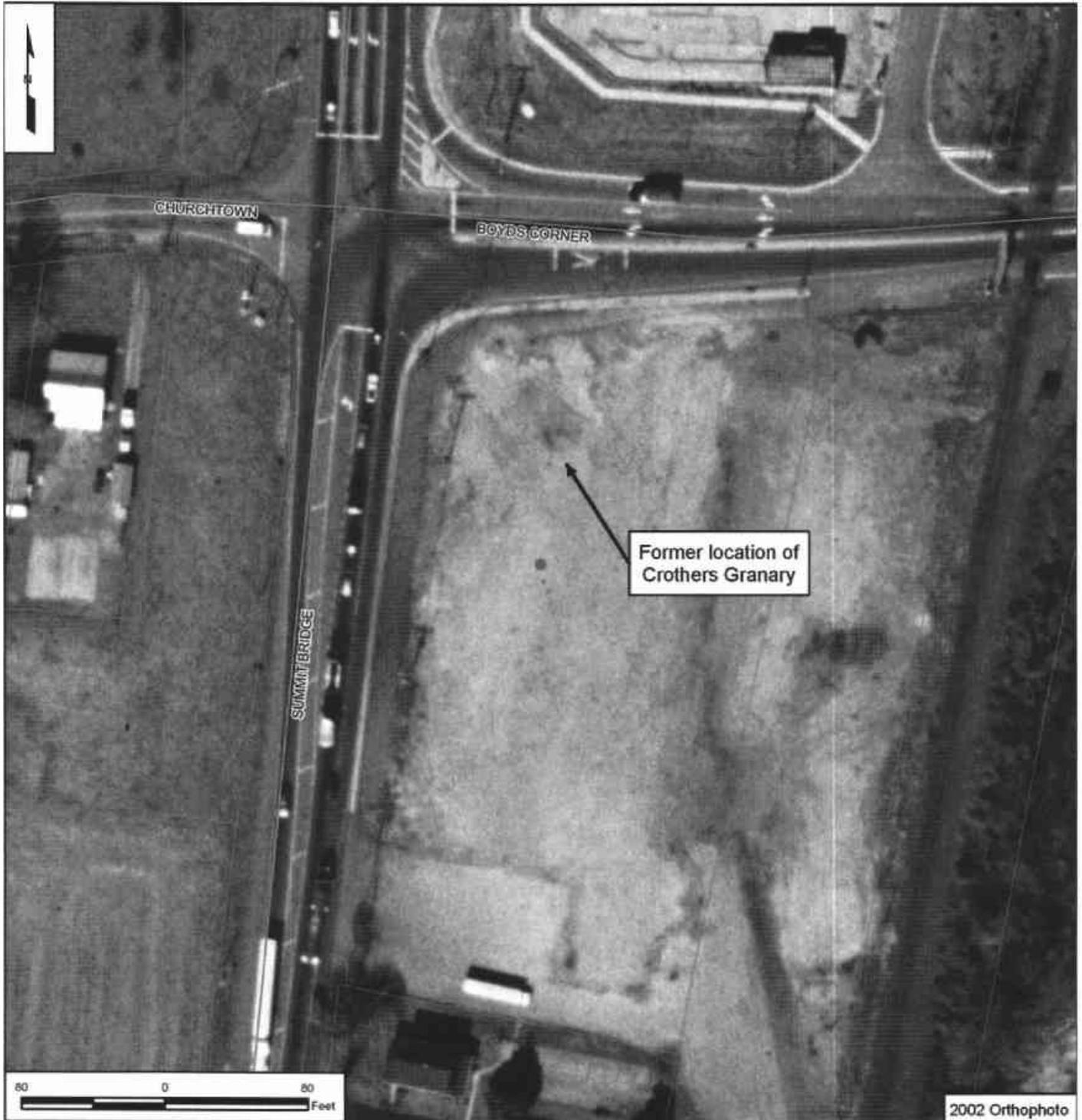
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4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12018**

Address: 604 Churchtown Road

Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1915

Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization

Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula

Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes (Community Development)

Name: Crothers House

Tax Parcel: 1300700008

### *Description*

This property is located along the south side of Churchtown Road near the southwest corner of a busy intersection of U.S. 301 (Summit Bridge Road) and S.R. 896 (Boyds Corner Road) The dwelling and related domestic buildings rest on a rectangular lot adjacent to a *circa*-1925 bungalow to the west. A narrow vacant lot and Summit Bridge Road (U.S. 301) lie east of the property. Across the street are three early-twentieth-century dwellings. The property includes a *circa*-1915 bungalow, a garage, a chicken house/shed, a tool shed and a privy. The residence is clad in aluminum siding and has a mix of one-over-one and two-over-two horizontal light double hung wood windows. The residence rests on a raised, rusticated concrete block foundation and has an enclosed porch. The wood clad outbuildings represent typical early-twentieth-century domestic outbuildings. A gravel drive is on the east side of the house and provides access to the one-car garage. The lot has a manicured lawn with mature trees.

### *Historical Narrative*

According to the owner and a neighbor, this residence once faced Summit Bridge Road (U.S. 301) and operated as a candy store (Interview, Mazie Durham, August 4, 2005; Interview, Ruth Wright, August 3, 2005). It was eventually turned to face the north and now serves as a residence. The architectural style of the dwelling indicates a *circa*-1915 construction date, although this cannot be confirmed. The lot where 604 Churchtown Road now stands was vacant on an aerial photograph of Mt. Pleasant taken in 1932. The 1932 aerial photograph does show that a structure (likely present-day 604 Churchtown Road) was located at the southwest corner of Mt. Pleasant intersection (USDA 1932). The dwelling was moved to its current position by 1953, when it is depicted on the 1953 USGS map (USGS 1953b).

In the first few decades of the twentieth century, 604 Churchtown Road was part of a 167.31-acre parcel of land owned by Beulah Clayton Burnham (New Castle County Deed Book C19:338) and then John Franklin Eliason (New Castle County Deed Book I23:209). Over time, small unimproved lots were sold off from the 167.31-acre parcel, including those lots upon which 608 Churchtown Road (CRS No. 12019; New Castle County Deed Book W32:179) and 613 Churchtown Road (CRS No. N05235; New Castle County Deed Book U25:436).

In September 1934, Joseph H. Gould, sheriff for New Castle County, held a sheriff's sale to dispose of the property that John Franklin Eliason, deceased, had owned at the time of his demise. This sale resulted from court action that the Wilmington Savings Fund Society brought against Eliason's executor, Morris F. Eliason, for the deceased and his estate defaulting on a \$7,500 debt, as well as \$17.75 in interest accrued on the debt. The Wilmington Savings Fund Society successfully bid \$6,500 for the sale and the sheriff conveyed the properties to the corporation (*ibid.*).

In November 1934, the Wilmington Savings Fund Society the 167.31-acre parcel (minus numerous exceptions) for \$5,500 to James Lawson Crothers, Andrew M. Crothers, and Howard B. Crothers, trading as Crothers Brothers (New Castle County Deed Book F39:191). Following the deaths of Andrew M. Crothers (May 11, 1941; New Castle County Will Record R6:100) and James L. Crothers (October 13, 1950; New Castle County Will Record Z7:107), the property became fully vested in Howard B. Crothers (New Castle County Will Record R6:100; Z7:107). It is unclear if the property was used as a tenant dwelling for workers/farm laborers at Crother's Granary (CRS No. N12017) or the nearby Mt. Pleasant Farm (CRS No. N05242).

It was not until 1951 that the lot upon which 604 Churchtown Road now stands was subdivided from the large Crothers property. Howard and his wife, Henrietta S. Crothers, sold a 0.366-acre lot fronting Bohemia Road (now Churchtown Road) for \$5,000 to Walter Coverdale in July 1951 (New Castle County Deed Book M51:262). The dwelling was likely in place by this date and the 1953 USGS map confirms the dwelling was in its present position by 1953 (USGS 1953b). Walter Coverdale owned the dwelling and lot for over ten years until his death on July 25, 1961. Walter died testate and devised his estate unto his children (New Castle County Will Record T9:38). His children and associated spouses sold the property for \$8,000 in November 1961 to Harry G. Durham and Mazie L. Durham, near Middletown (New Castle County Deed Book R68:343). The Durhams still own the property today in 2005.

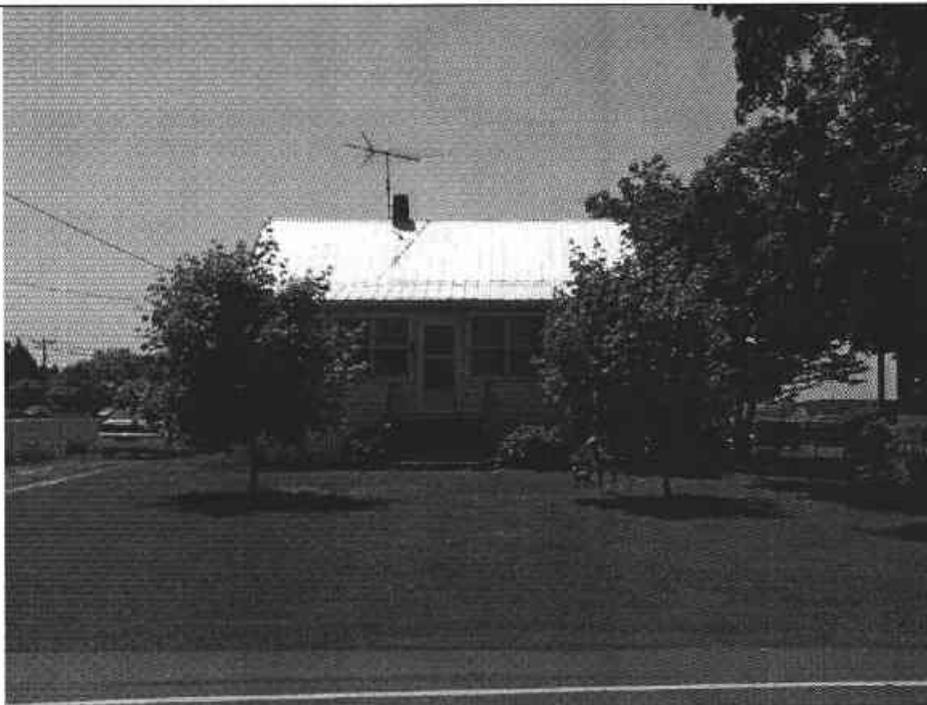
#### *National Register Evaluation*

The property located at 604 Churchtown Road was previously documented by KKFS, Inc., in 1988 and was not previously evaluated for listing in the National Register. No major changes to the dwelling and related domestic outbuildings since the 1988 survey were noted. The main building form completed in 1988 was sufficient; therefore a CRS 2 form was not completed for the *circa*-1915 dwelling (N12018 documentation, KKFS, Inc., January 1988).

The property at 604 Churchtown Road was evaluated as a Residential Resource as identified in the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report* (A.D. Marble & Company 2005:37-38). The bungalow is a common property type in Delaware and there are better examples of its type in throughout New Castle County. The residence once faced Summit Bridge Road and was orientated to its present location between 1932 and 1953 and thus lacks integrity of location (USDA 1932; USGS 1953). The small frame early-twentieth-century domestic outbuildings to the rear of the dwelling appear to have been relocated here around the same time the dwelling was moved and may or may not be historically associated with the property. No clear link to the property's function as a tenant house was found; therefore, the property is not eligible under Criterion A in the area of agriculture or early-twentieth-century residential development. The property does not appear to be associated with any persons of historical significance; thus it is not eligible under Criterion B. Although the residence retains its original shape and form, it has some replacement windows (one-over-one double hung wood sash) and replacement cladding (aluminum siding). The dwelling is a somewhat altered example of a common property type and the outbuildings are commonly found throughout the U.S. 301 study area; therefore, the property is not eligible for listing under Criterion C. Nor does the property likely possess the potential to yield information on building practices or methods of construction under Criterion D.

The collection of buildings at Mt. Pleasant was one of four parcels that were subdivided from the farm of John Franklin Eliason between 1911 and 1924 (CRS Nos. N05235, N05236, N12018, and N012019). While these buildings have some historical association and retain a close proximity, this grouping is not considered eligible for listing in the National Register under Criteria A or C due to a lack of significance. The sale of land along the edge of a farmstead for the erection of residential dwellings was a common practice in the twentieth century, particularly in areas of roadway intersections. This collection is not of significant size or concentration to be considered eligible; larger collections could better convey their historical association and this trend in residential development.

CRS No. N12018



N12018. Photograph 1: Dwelling, north elevation, view to south. This bungalow, a common property type found throughout the U.S. 301 study area, is clad in aluminum siding and the front porch has been enclosed.



N12018. Photograph 2: Dwelling, east elevation, and garage, north elevation, view to south. Note enclosed porch and different window types lighting the dwelling's interior. Also note vacant lot and heavy traffic on Summit Bridge Road (U.S. 301)..

CRS No. N12018



N12018. Photograph 3: Chicken house/shed, east elevation, view to west. This domestic outbuilding is representative of other early-twentieth-century buildings on the property. A tool shed is visible on the left side of the photograph.



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12018.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Crothers House
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 604 Churchtown Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: No changes noted to dwelling and outbuildings since 1988 survey.

5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Modern development at Mt. Pleasant and further to west. Intersection improvements scheduled at Mt. Pleasant. Farm and agricultural fields to south.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
4	CRS03	Garage, Privy, Shed/Chicken House, Tool Shed
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/3/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

CRS#

N12018.

CRS 2 form completed in 1988 survey was sufficient.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
- 1770-1830 Early Industrialization
- 1830-1880 Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- 1880-1940 Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- 1940-1960 Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization
- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

b) Geographical zone

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts |
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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12018.02

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 604 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic garage current garage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1940 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. N/A

year

N/A

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings vertical wood planks

d. Foundation not visible

e. Roof

structural system gable, frame, open cornice

coverings standing seam metal

openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: N

1) bays: 1

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): batten wood hinged double doors

4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: E**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**c. Side: direction: W**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): paneled wood
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: S**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1- 6 light fixed wood
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

a) Floor plan            not accessible

b) Partition/walls        not accessible

c) Finishes            not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12018.03

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 604 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic privy current vacant/not in use

3. YEAR BUILT: 1920 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: vernacular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. N/A

year

N/A

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings wood planks

d. Foundation wood/concrete

e. Roof

structural system shed, frame

coverings standing seam metal

openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: W

1) bays: 1

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): batten wood hinged

4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: N**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**c. Side: direction: S**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: E**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

**a) Floor plan            not accessible**

**b) Partition/walls        not accessible**

**c) Finishes            not accessible**

**d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible**



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12018.04

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 604 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic tool shed current storage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1920 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

<u>if moved, from where</u>	<u>original location's CRS #</u>	<u>year</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. N/A

b. N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings wood planks

d. Foundation not visible

e. Roof  
structural system gable, frame, exposed rafters/brackets  
coverings standing seam metal  
openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: direction: E
  - 1) bays: 1
  - 2) windows: 0
  - 3) door(s): paneled wood
  - 4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: S**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1- 6 light fixed wood; smaller than original opening
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**c. Side: direction: N**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1 opening covered with plywood
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: W**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

**a) Floor plan            not accessible**

**b) Partition/walls        not accessible**

**c) Finishes            not accessible**

**d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible**



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12018.05

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 604 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Chicken house/shed current animal shelter

3. YEAR BUILT: 1920 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

year

a. gable addition extends from south

unk.

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good  fair poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings vertical wood planks

d. Foundation unknown/none visible

e. Roof

structural system side gable, frame, simple cornice

coverings corrugated metal

openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: E

1) bays: 4: 2 core; 2 addition

2) windows: 1- 9 light fixed wood

3) door(s): 2- paneled wood, plank wood batten

4) other: chicken coop with 3 doors extends from E elevation of addition, wood frame with chicken wire, now used for cats

**b. Side: direction: S**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**c. Side: direction: B**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1 fixed 6 light wood
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: W**

- 1) bays: 2
- 2) windows: 2: 6 light fixed wood, 1 light aluminum
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

**a) Floor plan            not accessible**

**b) Partition/walls        not accessible**

**c) Finishes            not accessible**

**d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible**



**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

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**CRS#:**

**N12018.**

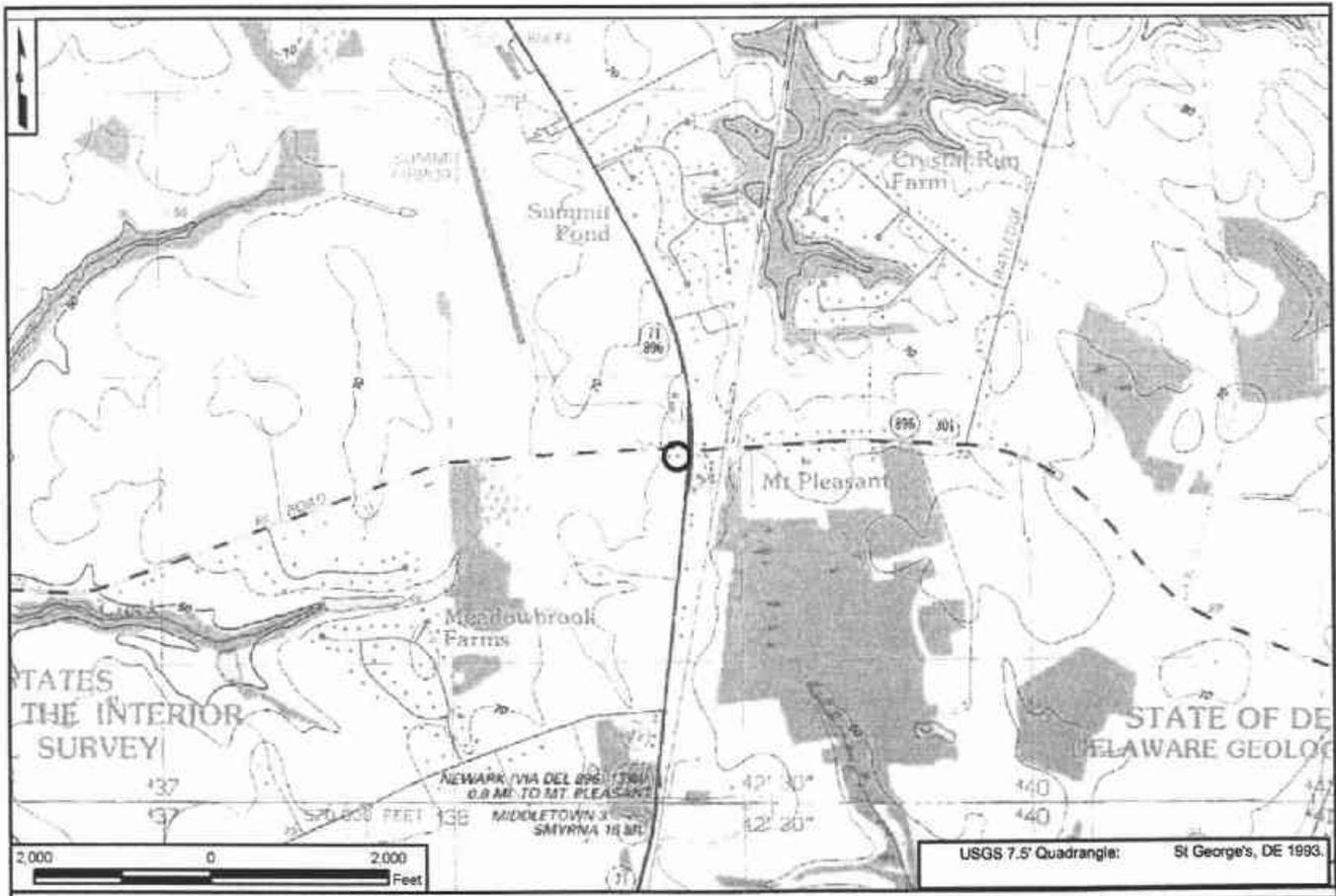
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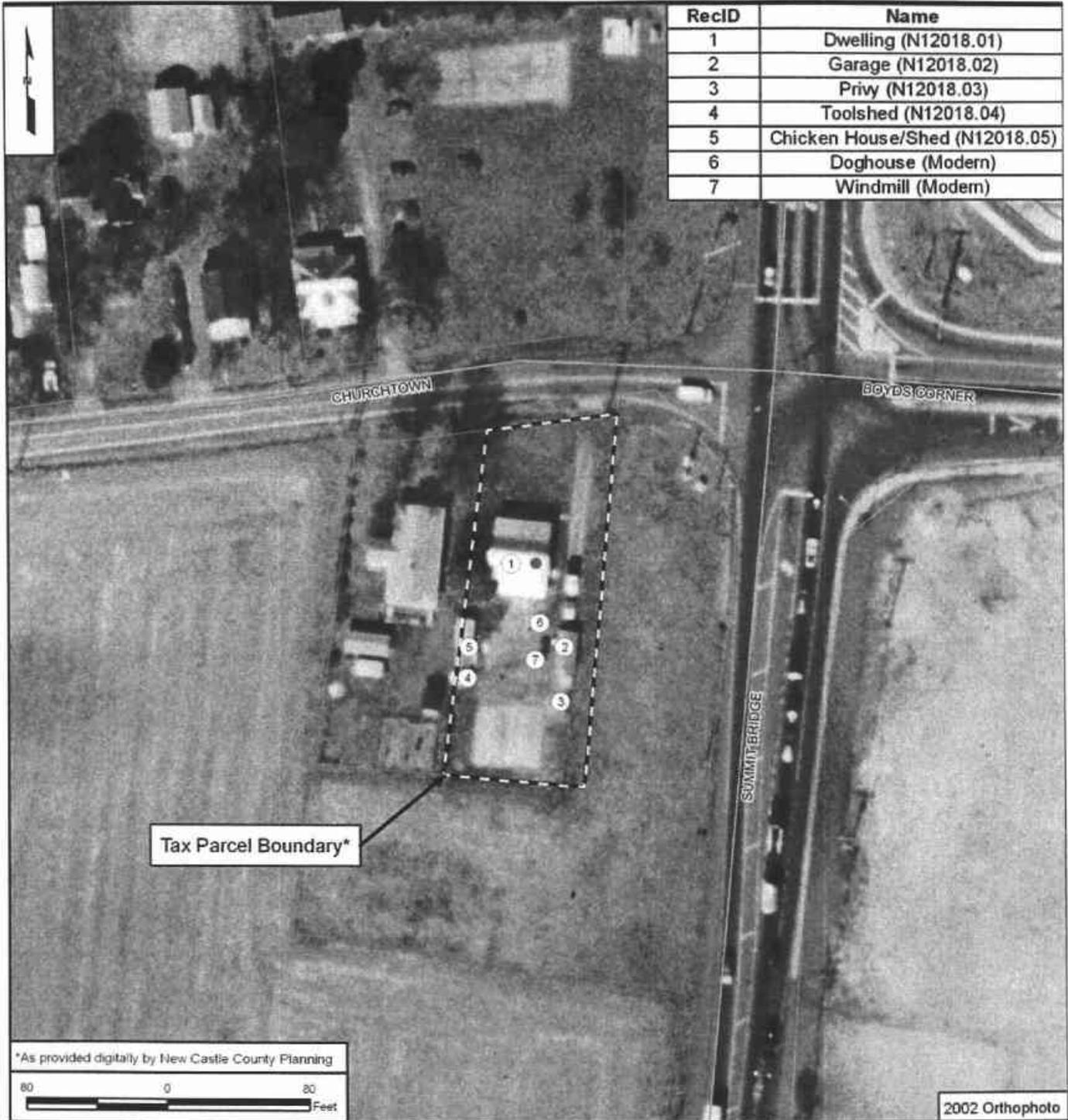
**3. LOCATION MAP:**

**Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.**

**(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)**



4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12019**

Address: 608 Churchtown Road

Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1925; ca. 1990

Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization

Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula

Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes (Community Development)

Name: Edward T. Pleasanton House

Tax Parcel: 1300700007

*Description*

This property is located along the south side of Churchtown Road near the southwest corner of the busy intersection of U.S. 301 (Summit Bridge Road) and SR 896 (Boyd's Corner Road). The buildings rest on a rectangular lot adjacent to another *circa*-1915 bungalow to the east. A large farmstead with associated agricultural lands is located to the south and east of the property. Across Churchtown Road are three early-twentieth-century dwellings. The property includes a *circa*-1925 bungalow, a *circa*-1925 one-car detached garage, and a post-1962 prefabricated shed. The brick dwelling has a hipped roof sheathed with asphalt shingles and features two gabled dormers and an interior brick chimney. The interior is lit by one-over-one double hung windows and is accessed by a wood paneled door with lights. The recessed porch on the north elevation has been screened in. The recessed rear porch has been partially enclosed (ca. 1990) and currently features a handicap accessible wheelchair ramp. The frame garage is gable front in form and features a one-car open garage bay. The building is clad with vertical board and the roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A gravel drive is on the east side of the house and provides access to the one-car garage. The rectilinear lot has a manicured lawn with mature trees.

*Historical Narrative*

In the first few decades of the twentieth century, 608 Churchtown Road was part of a 167.31-acre parcel of land owned by Beulah Clayton Burnham (New Castle County Deed Book C19:338) and then John Franklin Eliason (New Castle County Deed Book I23:209). In 1924, John Franklin Eliason, then a widower, sold a portion of the property to Edward T. Pleasanton for \$420. As to the size of the lot, the deed merely states "Being the contents thereof what they may" (New Castle County Deed Book 32W:179). Pleasanton likely erected the brick bungalow and frame garage on the property soon thereafter. Both structures are visible on aerial photographs of the area taken in 1932 (USDA 1932).

Edward Pleasanton died in 1976, leaving the property in its entirety to his wife, Mabel (New Castle County Will Record 68043). Mabel Pleasanton died in 1995, after which her executors sold the property to James R. and Christina C. Pleasanton for \$55,000 (New Castle County Will Record 109503; New Castle County Deed Book 1979:0032). This deed was dated September 11, 1995. James and Christina Pleasanton sold the property to Robert Todd Pleasanton, the current owner, for \$112,000 in 2003 (New Castle County Deed Instrument 200302240022829).

*National Register Evaluation*

The property located at 608 Churchtown Road was previously documented by KKFS, Inc., in 1988 and was not previously evaluated for listing in the National Register. Since the 1988 survey, the recessed rear porch was partially enclosed. A handicap accessible ramp and new stoop were also added to the rear elevation. No other changes were noted to the dwelling, so a

CRS 2 form was not completed. It also appears that the one-car garage was resided since the 1988 survey (N12019 documentation, KKFS, Inc., January 1988).

The property at 608 Churchtown Road was evaluated as a Residential Resource as identified in the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report* (A.D. Marble & Company 2005:37-38). The bungalow is a common property type in Delaware.. The subdivision of small lots from large farm tracts was a common early-twentieth-century practice; therefore, the property is not eligible under Criterion A for trends in early-twentieth-century residential development. In regards to Criterion C, with the *circa*-1990 rear addition and replacement windows, the dwelling is an altered example of a common early-twentieth-century property type and therefore not eligible. The residence does not appear to be associated with any persons of historical significance; thus it is not eligible under Criterion B. Nor does the property likely possess the potential to yield information on building practices or methods of construction under Criterion D. Therefore, 608 Churchtown Road is not eligible for individual listing in the National Register.

The collection of buildings at Mt. Pleasant was erected in the early twentieth century in close proximity to four other parcels that were subdivided from the farm of John Franklin Eliason between 1911 and 1924 (CRS Nos. N05235, N05236, N12018, and N012019). While these buildings have some historical association and retain a close proximity, this grouping is not considered eligible for listing in the National Register under Criteria A or C due to a lack of significance. The sale of land along the edge of a farmstead for the erection of residential dwellings was a common practice in the twentieth century, particularly in areas of roadway intersections. This collection is not of significant size or concentration to be considered eligible; larger collections could better convey their historical association and this trend in residential development. Should documentary record associated with this grouping that could provide previously unknown information on early-twentieth-century rural residential development be uncovered, the grouping may then be considered eligible for the National Register.



N12019. Photograph 1: Edward T. Pleasanton House, south and west elevations, view to northeast. Note *circa*-1990 rear addition and handicap accessible ramp.



N12019. Photograph 2: Edward T. Pleasanton House, garage, south and east elevations, view to northwest. Note the overall condition of the garage, which has improved since the 1988 survey.



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12019.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Edward T. Pleasanton House
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 608 Churchtown Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: C. 1990 vinyl sided addition on south elevation. 2/3 width. Modern ramp and steps provide access to south pedestrian entry. No other changes noted since 1988 survey.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Located on south side of Churchtown Rd near intersection of U.S. 301. Early 20th century dwellings to north and east. Agricultural fields to south.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
1	CRS03	Garage
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/4/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

CRS#

N12019.

CRS 2 form completed in 1988 survey was sufficient.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
- 1770-1830 Early Industrialization
- 1830-1880 Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- 1880-1940 Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- 1940-1960 Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization
- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

b) Geographical zone

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture           | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication                         |
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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12019

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 608 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic garage current garage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1940 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: no style/open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. N/A

year

N/A

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings vertical wood siding

d. Foundation not visible

e. Roof  
structural system frame  
coverings asphalt shingles  
openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: E

1) bays: 1

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): paneled overhead garage door

4) other: N/A

- b. Side: direction: S  
1) bays: 1  
2) windows: 1-3 pane awning window  
3) door(s): 0  
4) other: N/A
- c. Side: direction: N  
1) bays: 1  
2) windows: 1-3 pane awning window  
3) door(s): 0  
4) other: N/A
- d. Rear: direction: W  
1) bays: 0  
2) windows: 0  
3) door(s): 0  
4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

- a) Floor plan not accessible
- b) Partition/walls not accessible
- c) Finishes not accessible
- d) Furnishings/machinery not accessible



**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

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CRS#:

N12019

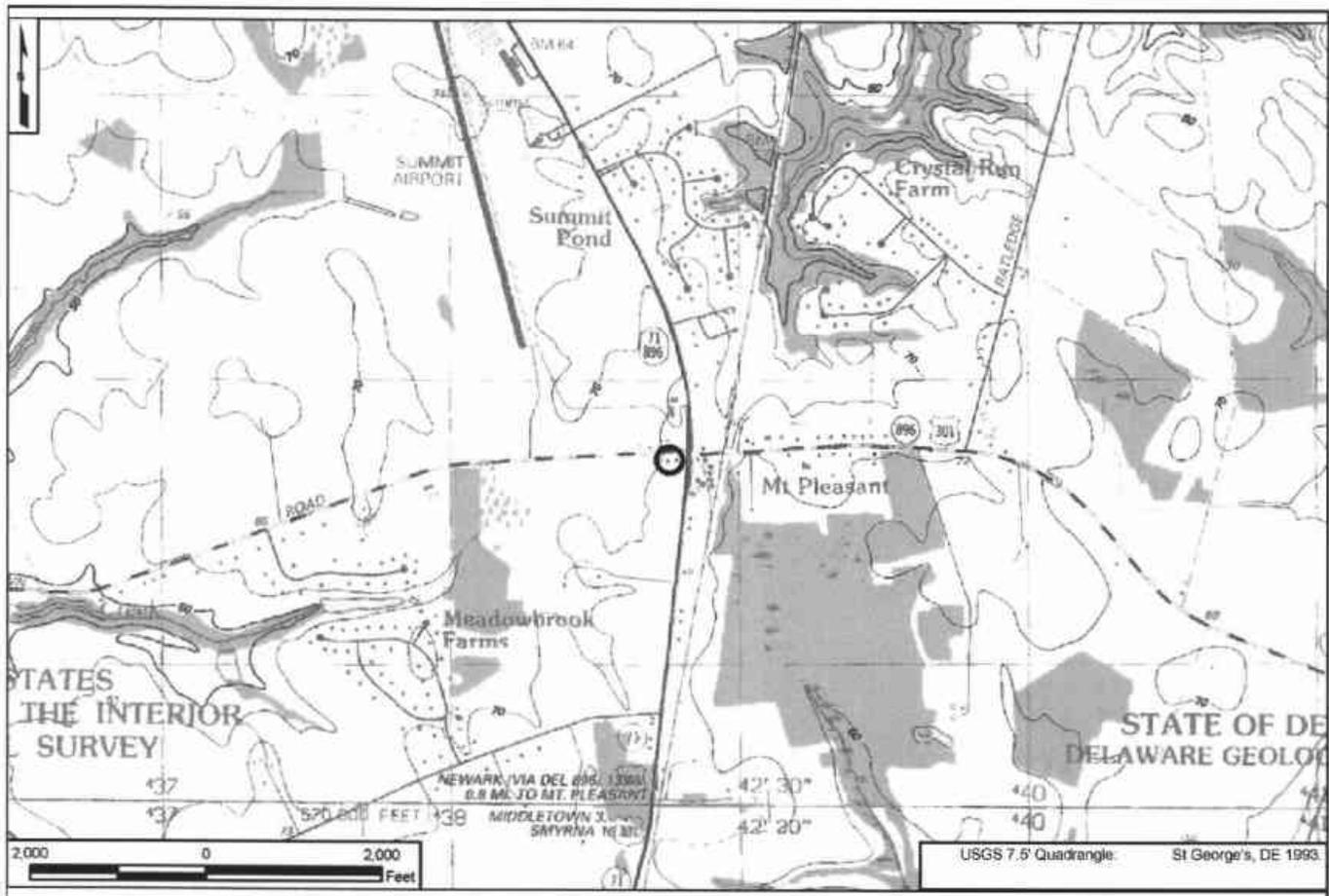
**1. ADDRESS/LOCATION:**            608 Churchtown Rd

**2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION:**

**3. LOCATION MAP:**

Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.

(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)



4. SITE PLAN:



**CRS No. N12020**

Address: 621 Churchtown Road

Tax Parcel: 1300700003

Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1890; ca. 1950

Time Period: 1880-1940±, Urbanization and Early Suburbanization

Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula

Historic Period Theme(s): Education, Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture); Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes (Community Development)

Name: Mt. Pleasant Schoolhouse,  
School District #99

### *Description*

This property is located along the north side of Churchtown Road near the northwest corner of a busy intersection in the former crossroad community of Mt. Pleasant. The building rests on a triangular lot adjacent to another *circa*-1915 vernacular cottage to the east. Across the road are two early twentieth century dwellings. The property includes a *circa*-1890 schoolhouse that has been renovated into a single family dwelling, as well as a small garage with two attached sheds and a chicken house. The gable front dwelling is one-and-one-half stories tall and features an enclosed gable front addition with side shed roof addition. The wood frame dwelling rests on a concrete foundation and is clad in aluminum siding. The roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and features an interior brick chimney that pierces the roofline. The dwelling is lit by a mix of original windows featuring eight-over-eight and one-over-one double hung windows. The building is accessed by wood pane-and-panel doors. A gravel drive on the east side of the house provides access to a *circa*-1930 one-car, aluminum sided garage with a metal clad attached shed. A *circa*-1930 chicken house, a post-1962 shed, and a swimming pool are located in the yard north of the house and garage. The lot features a manicured lawn with mature trees.

### *Historical Narrative*

In 1889 Thomas Clayton (widower) sold a 16,205 square foot parcel of land to The Commissioners of Mt. Pleasant School District 99 for \$5.00 (New Castle County Deed Book W14:462). The 1919 Muller map labels the building as "School 99." In 1929, the Delaware State Board of Education sold the land and school building to Morris F. Elaison for a purchase price of \$495 (New Castle County Deed Book O37:43). Thus, the property entered private residential ownership. Elaison sold the property to Maude R. Paxton, a divorced woman from Wilmington, for \$10.00 in October, 1935. At this time, the metes and bounds of the property continue to be described as 16,205 square feet (New Castle County Deed Book Q39:415). Before the month of October had past, Paxton sold the parcel to Clara P. Elaison (Morris Elaison's wife) for the same price of \$10 (New Castle County Deed Book Q39:503). Clara and Morris Elaison retained ownership of the property until 1945. William Kenneth and Mary Wright purchased the property in that year for \$500 (New Castle County Deed Book N44:391). The Wrights sold the property again in 1947 to Henry and Agnes O'Neal for the sum of \$450 (New Castle County Deed Book B47:55). The O'Neal family retains title to the property today in 2005.

### *National Register Evaluation*

The property located at 621 Churchtown Road was previously documented by KKFS, Inc., in 1988 and was not previously evaluated for listing in the National Register. No major changes to the dwelling since the 1988 survey were noted. The main building form completed in 1988 was

sufficient; therefore a CRS 2 form was not completed for the *circa*-1915 dwelling. A privy, two sheds, and modern trailer documented in the 1988 survey have been demolished or removed (N12018 documentation, KKFS, Inc., January 1988).

The former schoolhouse was evaluated using the *U.S. 301 Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey Report* (A.D. Marble & Company 2005:37-38). The residence at 621 Churchtown Road is an example of an altered late-nineteenth century schoolhouse. Erected ca. 1890, it ceased to function as a school ca. 1929. The property has since endured a number of alterations, including the application of aluminum siding, the addition of a side porch, the removal of the bell tower, and the removal of the roadside pedestrian entrance, that obscure its historic use as a school and altered integrity of feeling, setting, association, materials, design, and workmanship. Further, better-preserved examples of former schools exist in the region. Therefore, the former school is not eligible under Criterion A in the area of education.

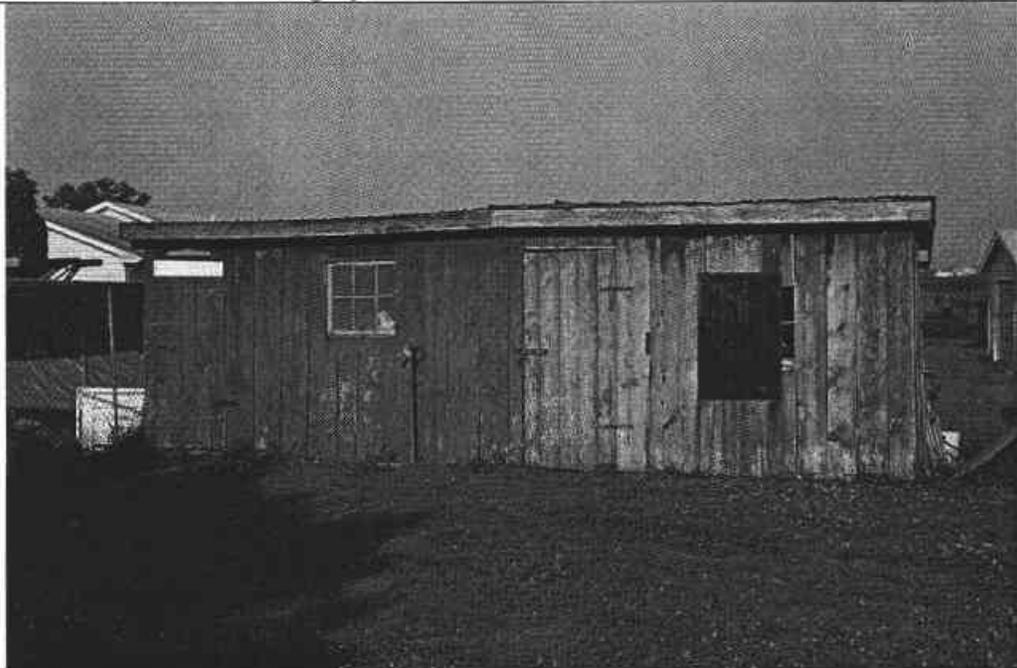
The dwelling has sustained a number of changes, the associated outbuildings are common examples of their type and are in fair to poor condition, and several outbuildings once associated with the property have been demolished or removed; thus the property lacks integrity of feeling of an early- to mid-twentieth century residential property. The residence does not appear to be associated with any persons of historical significance; thus it is not eligible under Criterion B. Due to the numerous alterations, application of aluminum siding, the addition of a side porch, the removal of the bell tower, and the removal of the roadside pedestrian entrance, the building is not eligible under Criterion C. Nor does the property likely possess the potential to yield information on building practices or methods of construction under Criterion D. Therefore, 621 Churchtown Road is not eligible for individual listing in the National Register.

The collection of buildings at Mt. Pleasant were erected in the early twentieth century in close proximity and included four parcels that were subdivided from the farm of John Franklin Eliason between 1911 and 1924 (CRS Nos. N05235, N05236, N12018, and N012019). While these buildings have some historical association and retain a close proximity, this grouping is not considered eligible for listing in the National Register under Criteria A or C due to a lack of significance. The sale of land along the edge of a farmstead for the erection of residential dwellings was a common practice in the twentieth century, particularly in areas of roadway intersections. This collection is not of significant size or concentration to be considered eligible; larger collections could better convey their historical association and this trend in residential development.

CRS No. N12020



N12020. Photograph 1: Overview of former school from Churchtown Road. Note later addition to south elevation which altered integrity of form and paired replacement windows which altered integrity of fenestration.



N12020. Photograph 2: Chicken house, east elevation, view to west. Note the fenestration pattern has been altered by the plywood covered window.



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SURVEY UPDATE FORM

CRS

N12020.

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Mt. Pleasant Schoolhouse, School District #99
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 621 Churchtown Rd
3. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor  demolished
4. INTEGRITY: No major changes noted to dwelling since 1988.
5. SETTING INTEGRITY: Early 20th century dwellings to east and south. Late 20th century dwelling immediately west. Modern development further west and at Mt. Pleasant.

6. FORMS ADDED:

#:	Form:	List Property Types:
2	CRS03	Chicken House, Garage
1	CRS09	N/A

7. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor Name: Catherine M. Dluzak / Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Name: Barbara Copp / Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator Signature: *Barbara M. Copp*

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: 8/4/2005

8. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

CRS#

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CRS point in SHPO GIS layer is incorrect. CRS 2 completed in 1988 sufficient.

9. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

a) Time period(s)

- Pre-European Contact
- Paleo-Indian
- Archaic
- Woodland I
- Woodland II
- 1600-1750 Contact Period (Native American)
- 1630-1730 Exploration and Frontier Settlement
- 1730-1770 Intensified and Durable Occupation
- 1770-1830 Early Industrialization
- 1830-1880 Industrialization and Early Urbanization
- 1880-1940 Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
- 1940-1960 Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization
- 1960-2000 Deurbanization and Sprawl

b) Geographical zone

- Piedmont
- Upper Peninsula
- Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
- Coastal
- Urban (City of Wilmington)

c) Historic period theme(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture           | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication              |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying      | <input type="checkbox"/> Government                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering     | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion                                      |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing/Wholesaling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizations                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance               | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown                                       |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12020.02

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 621 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic chicken house current storage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: rectilinear

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

<u>if moved, from where</u>	<u>original location's CRS #</u>	<u>year</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
<u>list major alterations and additions with years (if known)</u>		<u>year</u>
a. N/A		N/A
b. N/A		N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

- a. Structural system frame
- b. Number of stories 1
- c. Wall coverings vertical wood planks, corrugated metal
- d. Foundation concrete blocks
- e. Roof shed roof  
structural system frame  
coverings corrugated metal  
openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: direction: E
  - 1) bays: 4
  - 2) windows: 2 fixed 6 light wood
  - 3) door(s): 2 batten wood plank doors
  - 4) other: N/A

**b. Side: direction: S**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: window gone, big opening in side
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**c. Side: direction: N**

- 1) bays: 0
- 2) windows: 0
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**d. Rear: direction: W**

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1 fixed 6 light wood sash, 1 opening boarded up
- 3) door(s): 0
- 4) other: N/A

**9. INTERIOR (if accessible):**

a) Floor plan            not accessible

b) Partition/walls        not accessible

c) Finishes            not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

CRS # N12020.03

1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 621 Churchtown Rd.

2. FUNCTION(S): historic garage current garage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: open

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where

N/A

original location's CRS #

N/A

year

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. metal shed roof addition N elevation

year

1960

b. N/A

N/A

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good  fair poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings aluminum siding

d. Foundation concrete block

e. Roof gable

structural system frame

coverings standing seam metal, corrugated metal on addition

openings N/A

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: direction: S

1) bays: 1

2) windows: 0

3) door(s): batten wood plank double doors

4) other: N/A

- b. Side: direction: W
  - 1) bays: 1 core, 4 addition
  - 2) windows: 6 light wood; 4 light wood
  - 3) door(s): 3 hinged batten wood plank doors
  - 4) other: N/A

- c. Side: direction: E
  - 1) bays: 0
  - 2) windows: 0
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

- d. Rear: direction: N
  - 1) bays: 1
  - 2) windows: four light wood
  - 3) door(s): 0
  - 4) other: N/A

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan            not accessible

b) Partition/walls        not accessible

c) Finishes            not accessible

d) Furnishings/machinery    not accessible



**CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM**

**DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901**

**CRS#:**

**N12020**

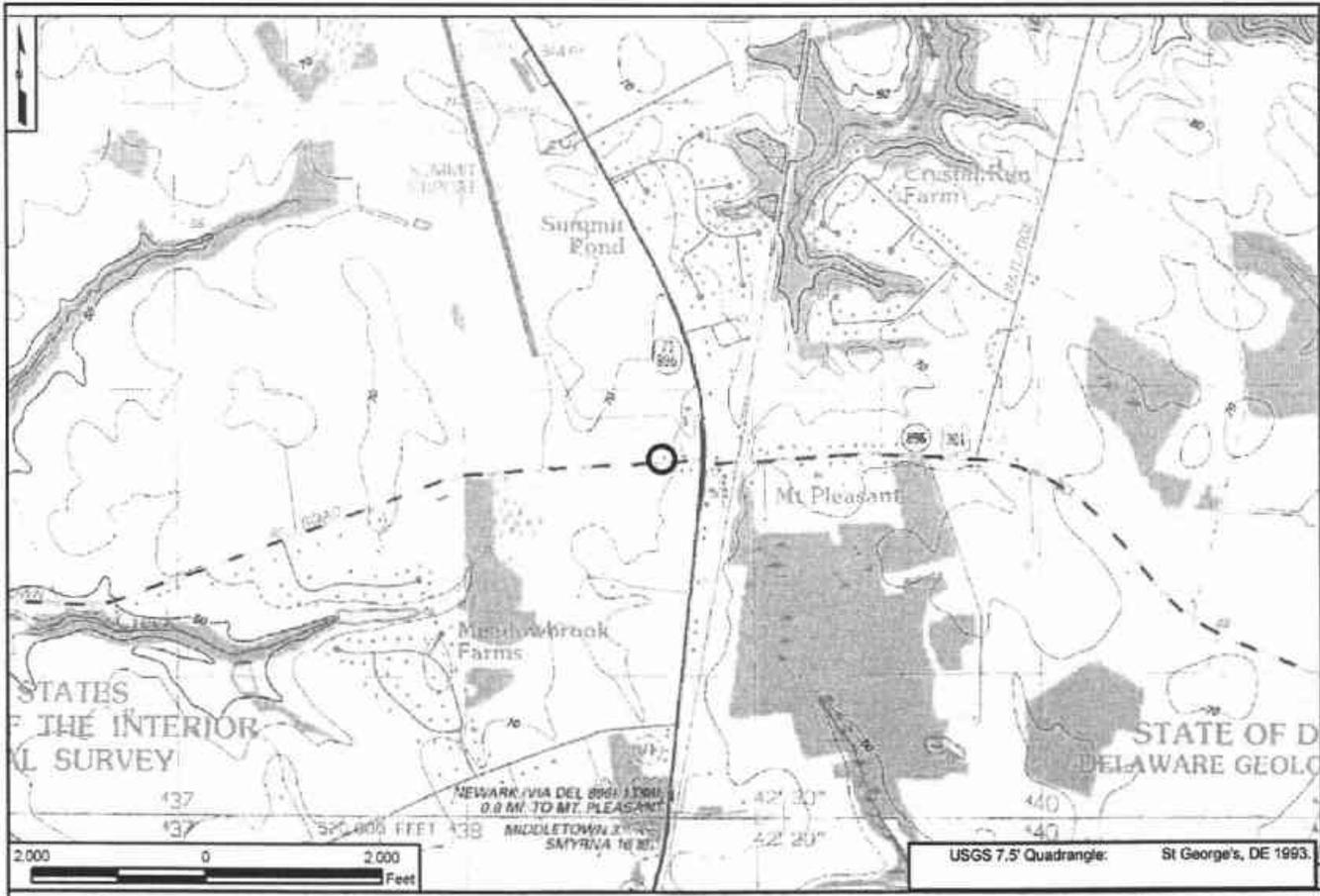
**1. ADDRESS/LOCATION:**                **621 Churchtown Rd**

**2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION:**

**3. LOCATION MAP:**

**Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.**

**(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map)**



4. SITE PLAN:

