



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

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS # K-7357
SPO Map 12-13-19
South
Hundred Murderkill
Quad Frederica
Other _____

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Baker II Property/Dwelling
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 47 Bowers Beach Road, Kent County; North Side of Road
3. TOWN/NEAREST TOWN: Little Heaven vicinity?
4. MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE: building structure site object
 landscape district
5. MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY: _____
6. PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable):
SR 1 Little Heaven Interchange

7. ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	dwelling
1	CRS 3 Secondary Building Form	shed
0	CRS 4 Archaeological Site Form	
0	CRS 5 Structure (Building-Like) Form	
0	CRS 6 Structure (Land Feature) Form	
0	CRS 7 Object Form	
0	CRS 8 Landscape Elements Form	
1	CRS 9 Map Form	N/A
0	CRS 14 Potential District Form	

8. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator signature: _____

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: July 2004

9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

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10. 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

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 type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <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 |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
MAIN BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 47 Bowers Beach Road, Kent County; North Side of Road
2. FUNCTION(S): historic Residence current Residence
3. YEAR BUILT: 1930 CIRCA?: ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____
4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Bungalow, cottage
5. INTEGRITY: original site moved
 if moved, from where _____ other location's CRS # _____ year _____

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. _____ year _____
b. _____

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: Rectangular Stories: 1
Additions:
- b. Structural system (if known): Frame
- c. Foundation: materials: Concrete Block
basement: full partial not visible no basement
- d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Vinyl
- e. Roof: shape: Gable (intersecting gables)
materials: Asphalt shingles
cornice: Encapsulated
dormers: n/a
chimney: location(s): Front, interior, off center, east wall exterior

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: Direction: W
- | | |
|------------|---|
| 1) Bays | 3 |
| 2) Windows | 3 |
- fenestration irregular
type 6/6 (includes one paired set); double hung
trim vinyl
shutters n/a

Facade (cont'd)

- 3) Door(s) 2
 location near center, and on N end
 type single leaf
 trim wood, vinyl
- 4) Porch(es) screened-in, 3/4 porch

b. Side: Direction: S

- 1) Bays 6
- 2) Windows 5
 fenestration irregular
 type 2/2, 6-pane fixed (paired) and 2 large picture windows
 trim wood
 shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) 1
 location off center
 type single leaf
 trim wood
- 4) Porch(es) screened-in porch on this wall

c. Side: Direction: N

- 1) Bays 4
- 2) Windows irregular
 fenestration 3 sets of paired windows (making 6 total) and 1 single window
 type double hung
 trim wood
 shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) n/a
 location n/a
 type n/a
 trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

d. Rear: Direction: E

- 1) Bays 1
- 2) Windows
 fenestration irregular
 type double hung; 1 (plus 1 small louvered vent near ridge line)
 trim vinyl
 shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) n/a
 location n/a
 type n/a
 trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

9. INTERIOR: n/a

10. LANDSCAPING: n/a

11. OTHER COMMENTS: Has side entry/bulkhead door to basement at NW corner of house



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 47 Bowers Beach Road, Kent County; North Side of Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Shed current Shed

3. YEAR BUILT: 1950 CIRCA?: ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: Rectangular

5. INTEGRITY: original site moved
if moved, from where original location's CRS # year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year
a. _____
b. _____

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent good fair poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

- a. Structural system Frame
- b. Number of stories 1
- c. Wall coverings Vertical wood boards
- d. Foundation Concrete
- e. Roof
structural system Gable
coverings Asbestos shingles
openings n/a

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: direction: S
 - 1) bays: 1
 - 2) windows: n/a
 - 3) door(s): Full front door, opens in 2 sections
 - 4) other: n/a

- b. Side: direction: W
- 1) bays: 1
 - 2) windows: 1, 1/1
 - 3) door(s): n/a
 - 4) other: n/a

- c. Side: direction: E
- 1) bays: 1
 - 2) windows: 1, 1/1
 - 3) door(s): n/a
 - 4) other: Has open shed-roofed section on this side, with picnic table under it

- d. Rear: direction: N
- 1) bays: 1
 - 2) windows: 1, 1/1
 - 3) door(s): n/a
 - 4) other: n/a

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan n/a

b) Partition/walls n/a

c) Finishes n/a

d) Furnishings/machinery n/a



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
MAP FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 47 Bowers Beach Road, South Murderkill Hundred, Kent County

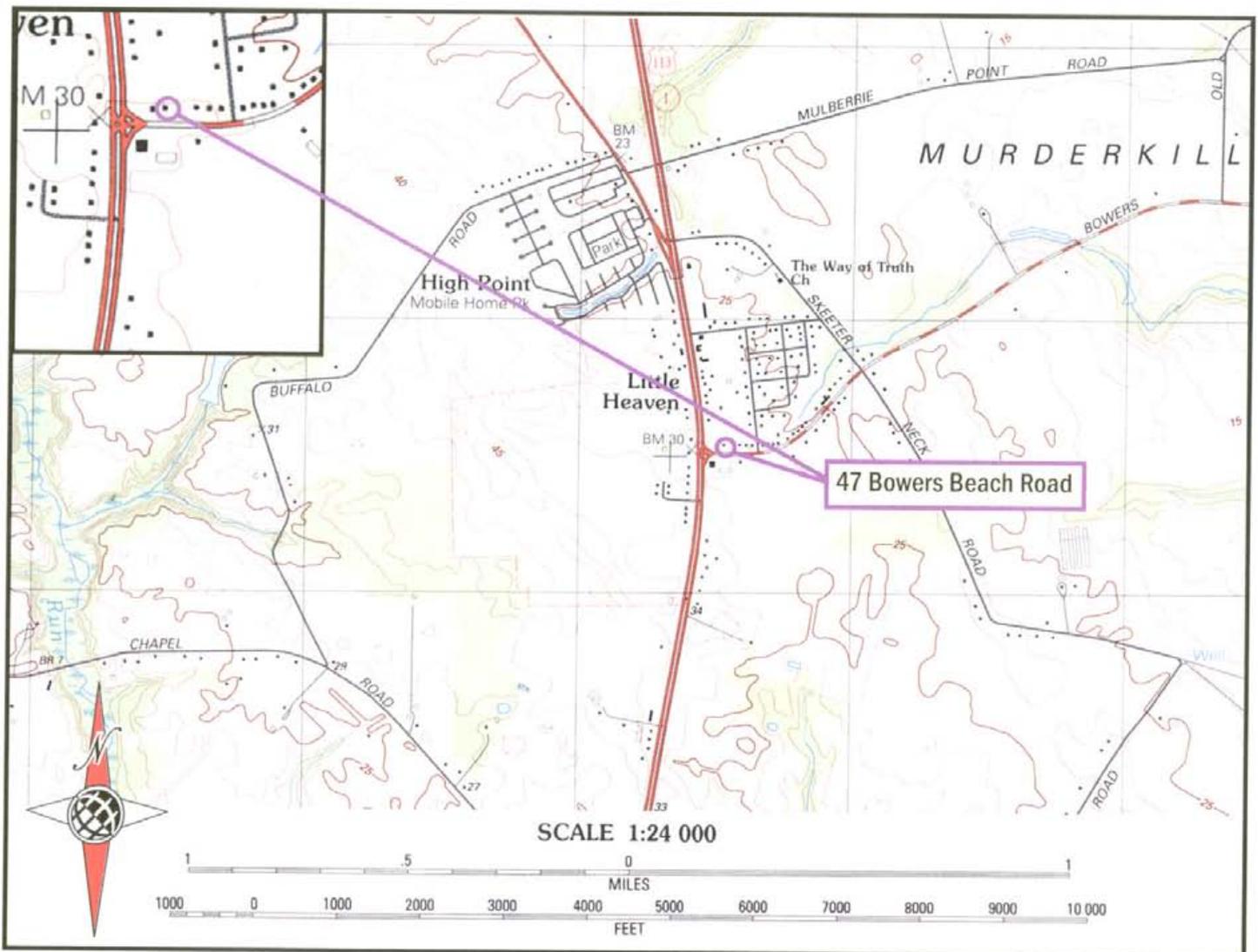
2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION reason: _____

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)

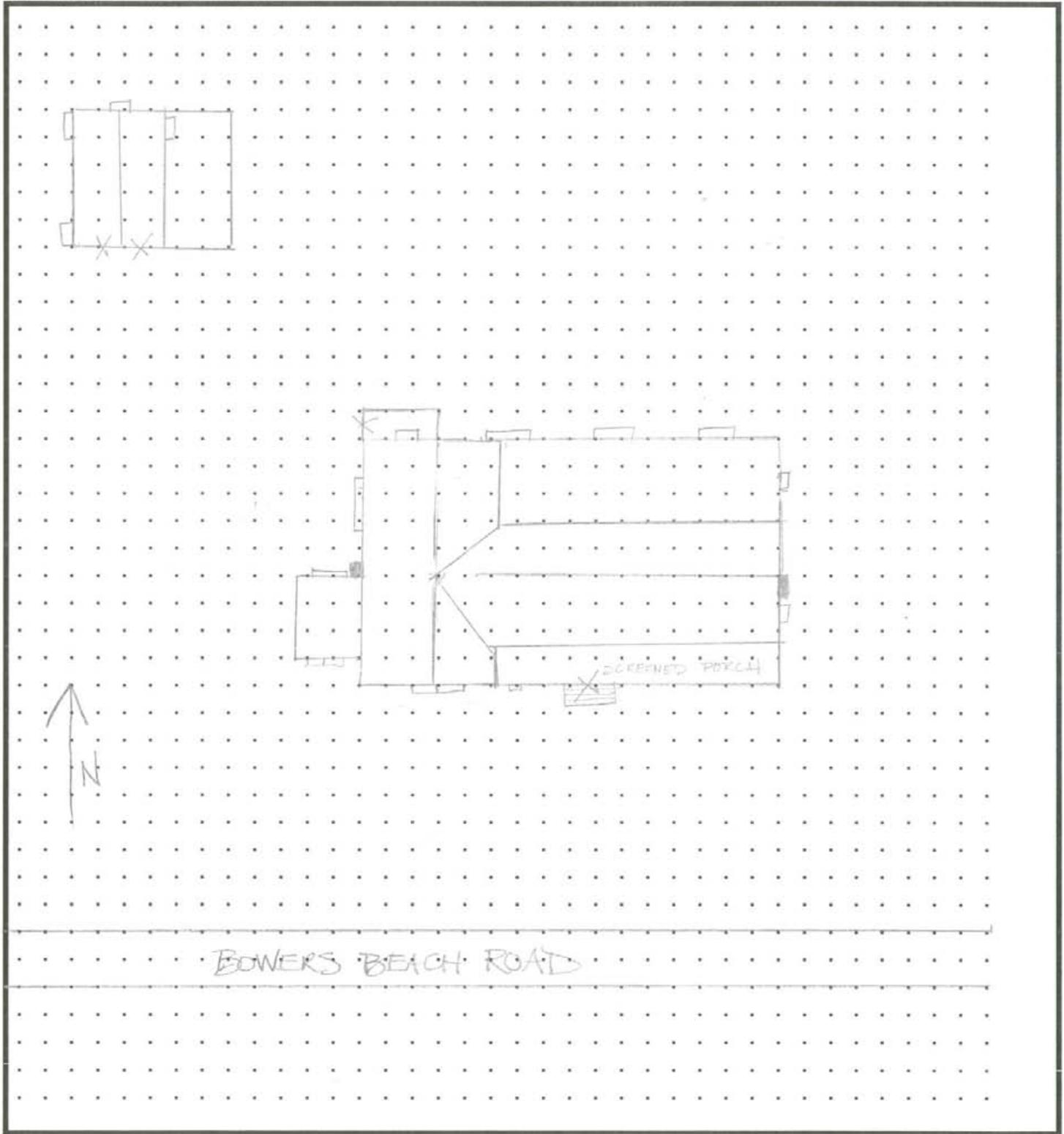
INDICATE NORTH ON SKETCH



4. SITE PLAN:

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INDICATE NORTH ON PLAN



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Baker II Property

General Description. The Baker II Property is located at 47 Bowers Beach Road in Kent County, Delaware. The property includes a dwelling (ca. 1930) and a shed which are located amidst yard space. Mature trees are located to the north of the dwelling house. A white fence is located adjacent to the façade of the house. Overall, the property appears to be in good condition. The property continues to be used for residential purposes.

Main Building. The dwelling (ca. 1930) is composed of a one-story, side gable block that faces west and measures three bays wide by one bay deep. A rear addition to the dwelling is nearly twice as long in length as the main block. The frame walls of the main block and rear extension are clad in vinyl siding and rest on a concrete block foundation. The roof is clad in asphalt shingles. The rear addition has a screened-in porch at the south elevation, which is sheltered by a shed extension of the roof and a vinyl-sided addition at the north elevation that is also sheltered by a shed extension of the roof.

Entry into the main block is at the west elevation via a shed roof porch, which is enclosed in vinyl siding at the lower half and wire mesh screens at the upper half. A staircase encased in bricks leads up to the entry porch. Fenestration at the west elevation includes three six-over-six double-hung sash windows and two doors. A brick chimney is also attached to this elevation.

Brick steps also provide entry to the rear ell at the south elevation. The south elevation of the rear ell features two large picture windows and a single leaf wooden door that are sheltered by the screened-in porch. The original block features a paired six-pane fixed sash window.

A brick chimney flue is attached to the east elevation. Fenestration of the east elevation includes a singular six-over-six double-hung sash window at the east elevation.

Three sets of six-pane sash and six-over-six double-hung sash windows are at the north elevation. A one-story shed roof addition that appears to lead to a cellar space is attached to the north elevation of the main block. A pedestrian door is located in the west elevation of this addition.

Outbuildings/Garages. A one-story frame shed (ca. 1950) with vertical board siding is located near the main dwelling. The garage is clad in vertical board siding at the walls and features an open shed-roofed addition to the east elevation. The shed roof extension currently shelters a picnic table and other equipment that is stored here. Large doors in the southern gable end provide access to the interior of the shed, while smaller windows at the other elevations provide light into the structure.

Historical Background. On June 2, 1930, Arley B Magee sold the property containing 14,625 square feet to the Associated Reality Corporation. On the same day the Associated Reality Corporation sold the property containing 14,625 square feet to

Charles W. Baker (KCDB V13: 20). On December 30, 1941, Charles W. Baker sold the property containing 14,625 square feet along with "...all and singular buildings, improvements, and fixtures" to Reynolds Gooden for \$150 (KCDB N16: 254). On May 15, 1946, Reynolds Gooden sold the property containing 14,625 square feet to James W and Clara M. Conley (KCDB M17: 484).

Evaluation. The Baker II Property at 47 Bowers Beach Road is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places because it does not meet the eligibility criteria established by the National Park Service (NPS 1997). The Baker Property II retains a dwelling house representative of early- to mid-twentieth-century residential architecture. Property-specific research and documentary research of the area in general did not reveal any associations between the Baker II Property and significant events or trends in local, state, or national history, so it is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A. Likewise, research did not reveal any associations with significant individuals; therefore, the property is recommended not eligible for listing under Criterion B. The dwelling house does not display the distinctive characteristics of a type, style, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master or possess high artistic value; therefore, it is recommended not eligible under Criterion C in the area of architecture. Archaeological investigations have not yet been conducted on this property; therefore, the resource's eligibility under Criterion D (potential to yield information important to history or prehistory) cannot be assessed at this time.

Bibliography

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