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Persimmon Bottom Farm
Clarksville
Private

circa 1895

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It is a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north - south) shingled house, resting on a stone foundation, with tall brick chimneys inset into its north and south walls. A two story high, intersecting gable roof (running east - west) shingled kitchen west wing also rests on a stone foundation and creates an "L" plan off the north side of the west wall of the house.

Fenestration is vertically aligned, proportionally scaled, and double-hung, holding two-over-two lights, decorated with shutters.

The central, rectangular roman arched paneled east entrance is flanked by two vertical lights and surmounted by a three light transom.

An intersecting central gable holds a roman arched, double-hung window with two-over-two lights, while a one story high, flat roofed, open porch runs along the central three bays of this elevation.

Persimmon Bottom Farm is located on the site of a century old Dorsey house which was replaced by this present house in 1895. It is historically significant for its association with both the Dorsey and Warfield families of Howard County.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

MAEI # 1704795635

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Persimmon Bottom Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

6010 Ten Oaks Road

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville

VICINITY OF

Howard

STATE

Maryland

6th
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Persimmon Bottom Farm

Telephone #: 286-2766

STREET & NUMBER

6010 Ten Oaks Road

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville,

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland, 21029

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Tax Map 34, p. 43
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records

Liber #: 704

Folio #: 438

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Persimmon Farmhouse faces east on the west side of Ten Oaks Road, 2/10 of a mile from its intersection with Route 108. The farm is located quite a distance from the road, surrounded by a large stand of mature trees.

It is a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) shingled house, resting on a stone foundation, with tall brick chimneys inset into its north and south walls. A two story high, intersecting gable roof (running east-west) large kitchen, shingled west wing also rests on a stone foundation and creates an "L" plan off the north side of the west wall of the house, which holds a second floor rectangular, two-over-two light window in its south bay.

The east elevation of the main body of the house features a rectangular entrance, flanked by two vertical side lights, surmounted by a three light transom. Fenestration is rectangular, double-hung, vertically aligned and proportionally scaled, holding two-over-two lights and decorated with shutters. A central intersecting gable (running east-west) holds a roman arched, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights, while a one story high, flat roofed, open porch runs along the central three bays of this elevation.

Its roof is supported by four posts, held and decorated with scrolled brackets. A railing runs around the perimeter of this porch with steps on its north side.

The south elevation of the main body of the house holds a first and second floor double-hung window in the west bay of that wall. They are vertically aligned and proportionally scaled to one another, holding two-over-two lights. Two four light casement attic windows rest above. The latter are also seen on the north wall of this wall of the house which holds no other apertures.

The kitchen wing features both a north and south door. The north door is covered by a shed roofed portico, supported by two posts and is surmounted by a two light transom. This rectangular entrance is flanked on the east by a single first floor, rectangular, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights, vertically aligned and proportionally scaled to a second floor window; and on the west by two similar first floor windows, which are also vertically aligned and proportionally scaled to second floor windows above.

A two light basement window is located in the west bay of the stone foundation wall. The west wall of the kitchen wing holds only two square, four light casement windows. A one story high, gabled roof basement entrance door is located in the south bay of this wall. The south elevation of the kitchen wing holds a single second floor, rectangular, two-over-two light window, which is almost centrally located. The kitchen wing has seen several alterations on this south wall.

A two story high, shed roofed, one bay wide, shingled addition with no apertures on its east and west walls projects from the west bay. It holds a first and second floor window on its south wall. A 1 story high, kitchen porch has been

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enclosed, extending from the east wall of the shed roofed addition to the west wall of the main body of the house. It holds a rectangular entrance with a four-four light window east of the entrance and another four light, horizontal window, east of that.

A tall brick chimney is centered into the kitchen's west wall. Shrubs and flower gardens surround the house. North of the house is a large barn and several auxiliary buildings, all of which are well maintained.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Cira 1895

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Frank Warfield Farm, known as Persimmon Bottom Farm is significant historically and architecturally.

Historically it is noted on the Hopkin's Atlas of 1878 as a Dorsey House, located on land once a part of White Wine and Claret. This is also true of HO-465, HO-467, and HO-468, all located off route 108, west of its intersection with route 32. All these houses are constructed in an "L" plan with a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof with intersecting central gable and two story high, intersecting gable kitchen-wing.

This house was evidently burned for the present house was built by Howard C. Dorsey, sometime after August 14, 1890, when it was acquired from Samuel Cashell (Liber J.H.O. 56-folio 242, Howard County Land Records). On July 3, 1921, Howard Dorsey died, leaving the farm to his widow, Mary C. Dorsey and their children who conveyed the house and farm to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warfield, Senior. Mrs. Frank Warfield, Senior still occupies the lovely shingled style farm house with her family.

Architecturally the house is a good example of Howard County's adaptation of the shingle style in its domestic rural architecture. There is a simpler line and form to the Frank Warfield House, which, in reality, stems from the design of the farm houses constructed in the early to mid nineteenth century on these large farm holdings, such as those already mentioned off Route 108.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Mrs. Frank Warfield, owner and resident, July 31, 1978

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 115.68 Acre

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 34

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 704, folio 438

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

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

465-5000 x257

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

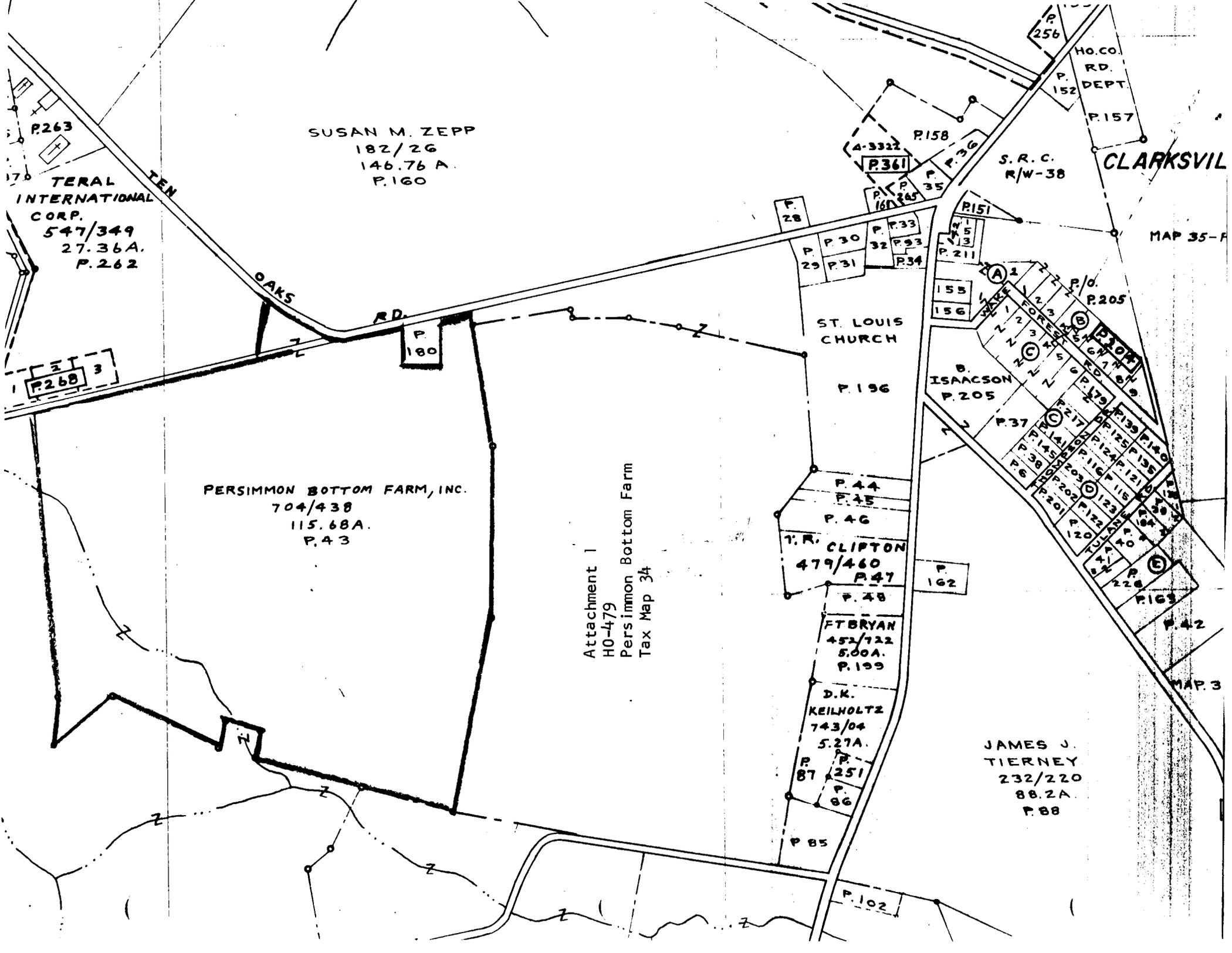
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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Attachment 1
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Persimmon Bottom Farm
Tax Map 34

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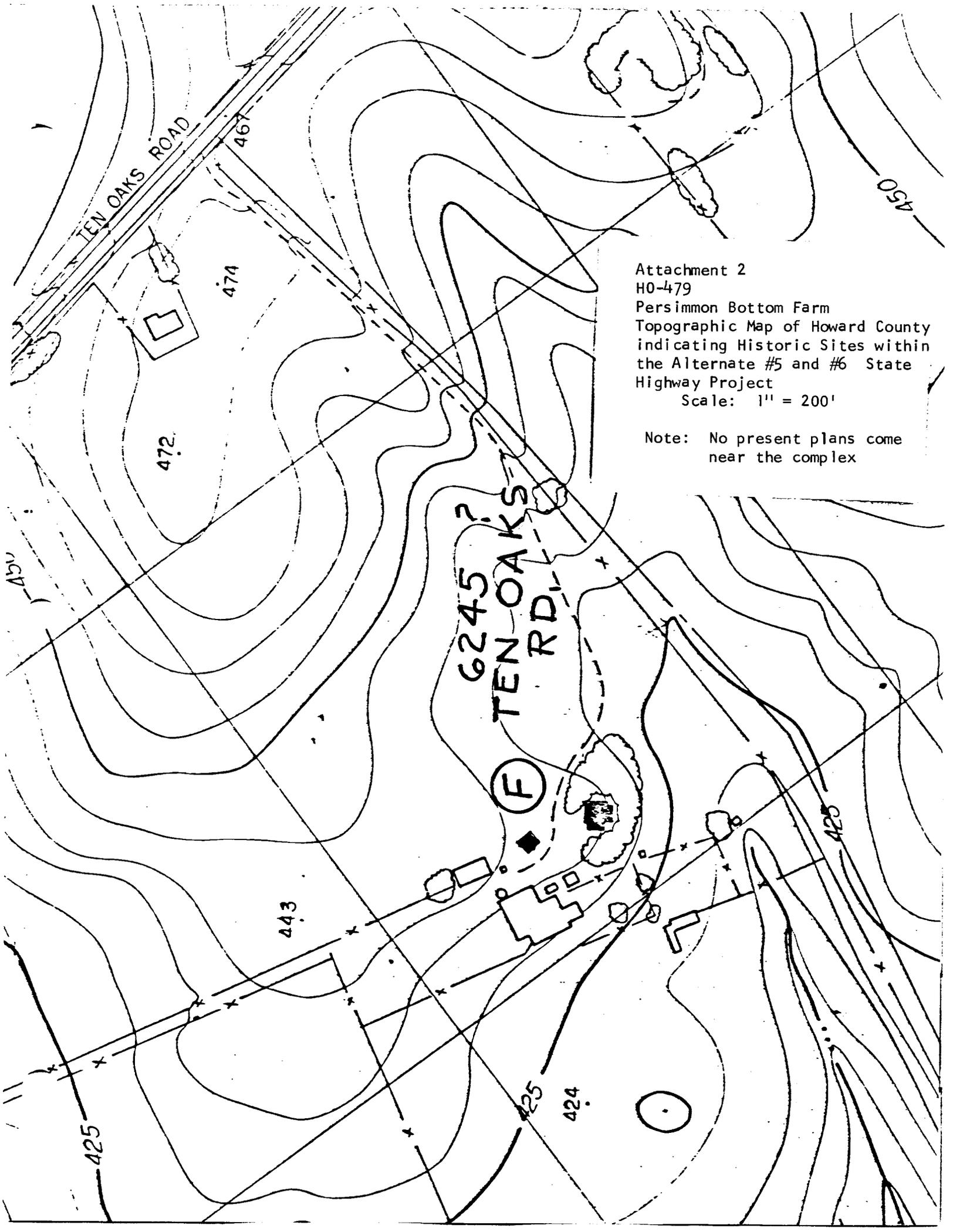
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MAP 3



Attachment 2
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Persimmon Bottom Farm
Topographic Map of Howard County
indicating Historic Sites within
the Alternate #5 and #6 State
Highway Project
Scale: 1" = 200'

Note: No present plans come
near the complex



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PERSIMMON BOTTOM FARM
EAST
JULY 1978
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