

MOYAONE RESERVE HISTORIC DISTRICT

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION



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FIRM DESCRIPTION

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 - inventories and surveys
 - historic context studies
 - National Register nominations
 - National Historic Landmark nominations
 - historic structure reports
 - cultural landscape reports
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WHAT IS THE NATIONAL REGISTER?

- Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, the National Register is the official list of the Nation's historic places worthy of preservation.
- Properties listed in the National Register include districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects.
- To be considered eligible, a property must meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation. This involves examining the property's significance, age, and integrity.

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA

- Criterion A: Properties that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history
- Criterion B: Properties that are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past
- Criterion C: Properties that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction
- Criterion D: Properties that have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history

WHAT DOES LISTING MEAN FOR OWNERS?

- Owners of private property listed in the National Register have no obligation to open their properties to the public or to restore them, if they choose not to.
- Owners can do anything they wish with their property provided that no Federal license, permit, or funding is involved.
- In Maryland, certified historic buildings, which include contributing resources within a National Register historic district, may be eligible for a homeowner tax credit.
- The Maryland Historic Revitalization Tax Credit provides funds in the form of an income tax credit for repair or renovation work on qualifying single-family, owner-occupied houses. See the Maryland Historical Trust website for more information: https://mht.maryland.gov/taxcredits_homeowner.shtml



SECTION 106

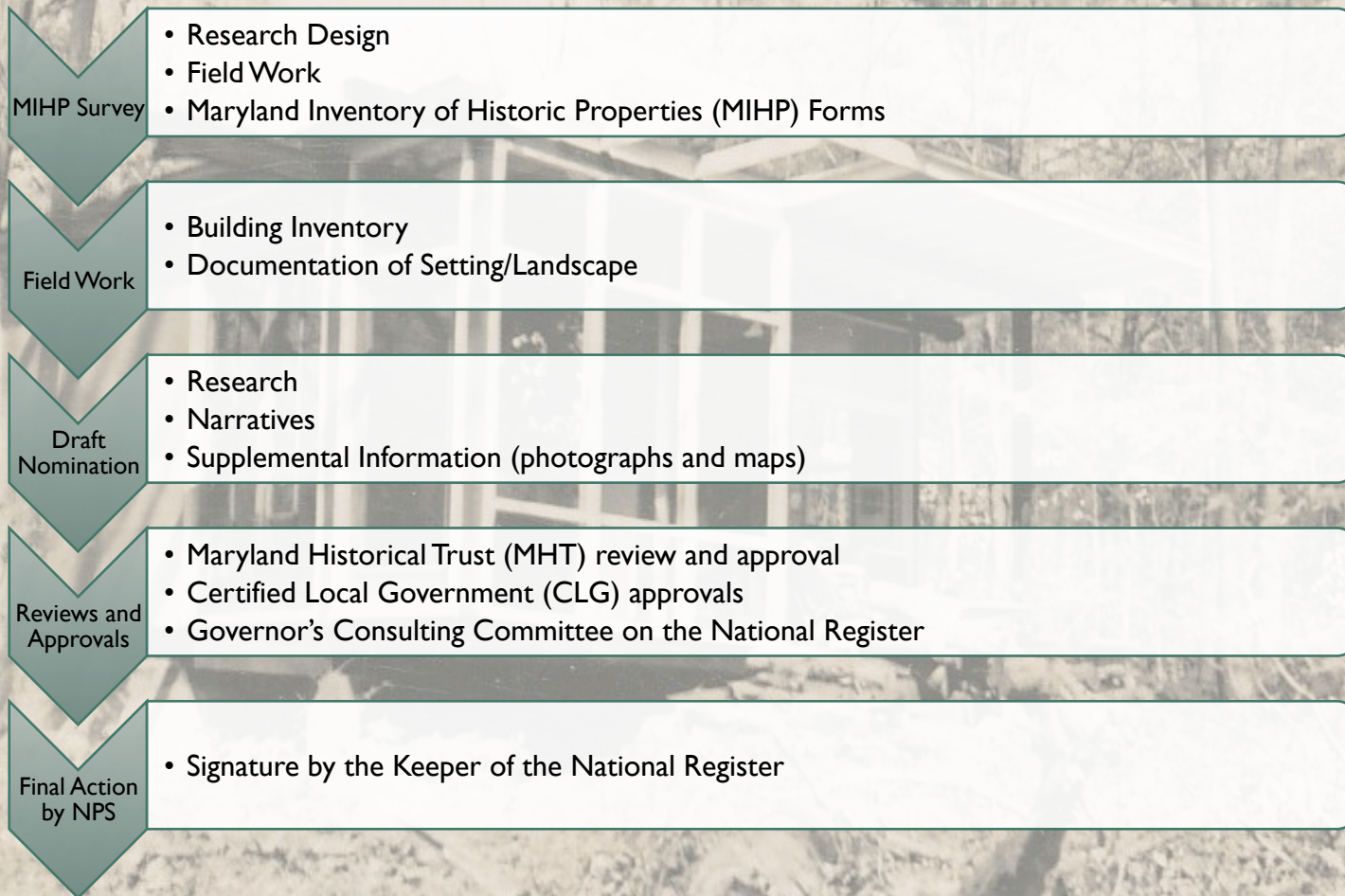
- Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) requires Federal agencies to take into account the effects of their actions on historic properties.
- Section 106 applies when a) there is a Federal or federally licensed action, including approvals, licenses, and permits and b) that action has the potential to affect properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register.
- The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), established by the NHPA, is the Federal agency charged with overseeing the Section 106 process.

SECTION 106 CASE STUDY

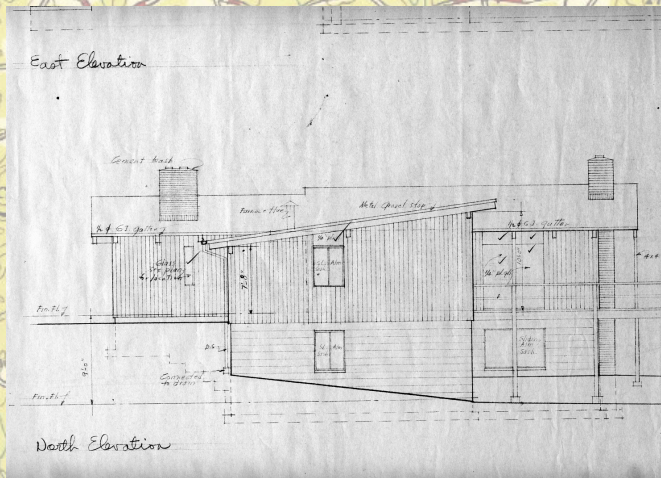
Woodrow Wilson Bridge

- Built in 1961 to connect the suburbs of Maryland and Virginia
- Federal Highway Administration proposed replacing the bridge
- The expanded footprint of the new bridge would cross into the Alexandria Historic District and impact other significant historic resources
- Through Section 106 consultation, the design was reworked to minimize the footprint, profile, and height of the bridge
- A Design Review Working Group created as a result of the Section 106 process recommended additional mitigation as the project progressed and identified opportunities for the project to benefit nearby historic sites

TIMELINE AND METHODOLOGY



FINDINGS AND EVALUATIONS



Battle Being Waged to Keep Sewage Plant From Mt. Vernon

The New York Herald Tribune-Post-Dispatch Special Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, May 12 — A Hollywood-type cliffhanger, with Mount Vernon, George and Martha Washington representing good, and a smelly sewage treatment plant as villain, moved another step toward legislative denouement in Washington this week.

The good guys won. Whether they can make it stick remains to be seen.

Behind closed doors and by unannounced vote, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved \$937,000 to purchase 500 to 600 acres of land in Maryland, along the Potomac river directly opposite Mount Vernon, in Virginia, proposed site of the sewage plant. The land would be reserved as parkland.

Proponents of the purchase held that it would be esthetically and historically outrageous to confront one of America's historic shrines, where the Father of his Country and his wife are buried, with the belching smokestacks and odorous processing beds of a sewage treatment plant.

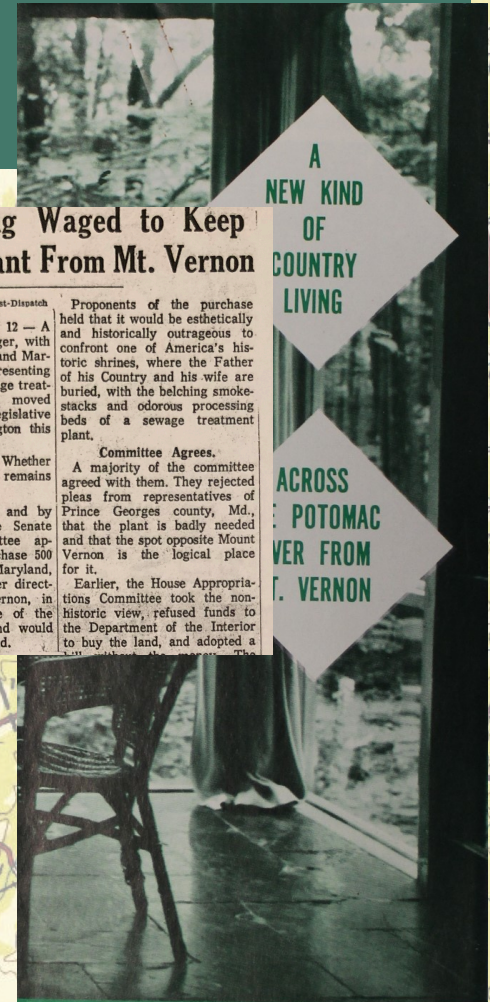
Committee Agrees.

A majority of the committee agreed with them. They rejected pleas from representatives of Prince Georges county, Md., that the plant is badly needed and that the spot opposite Mount Vernon is the logical place for it.

Earlier, the House Appropriations Committee took the non-historic view, refused funds to the Department of the Interior to buy the land, and adopted a

A NEW KIND OF COUNTRY LIVING

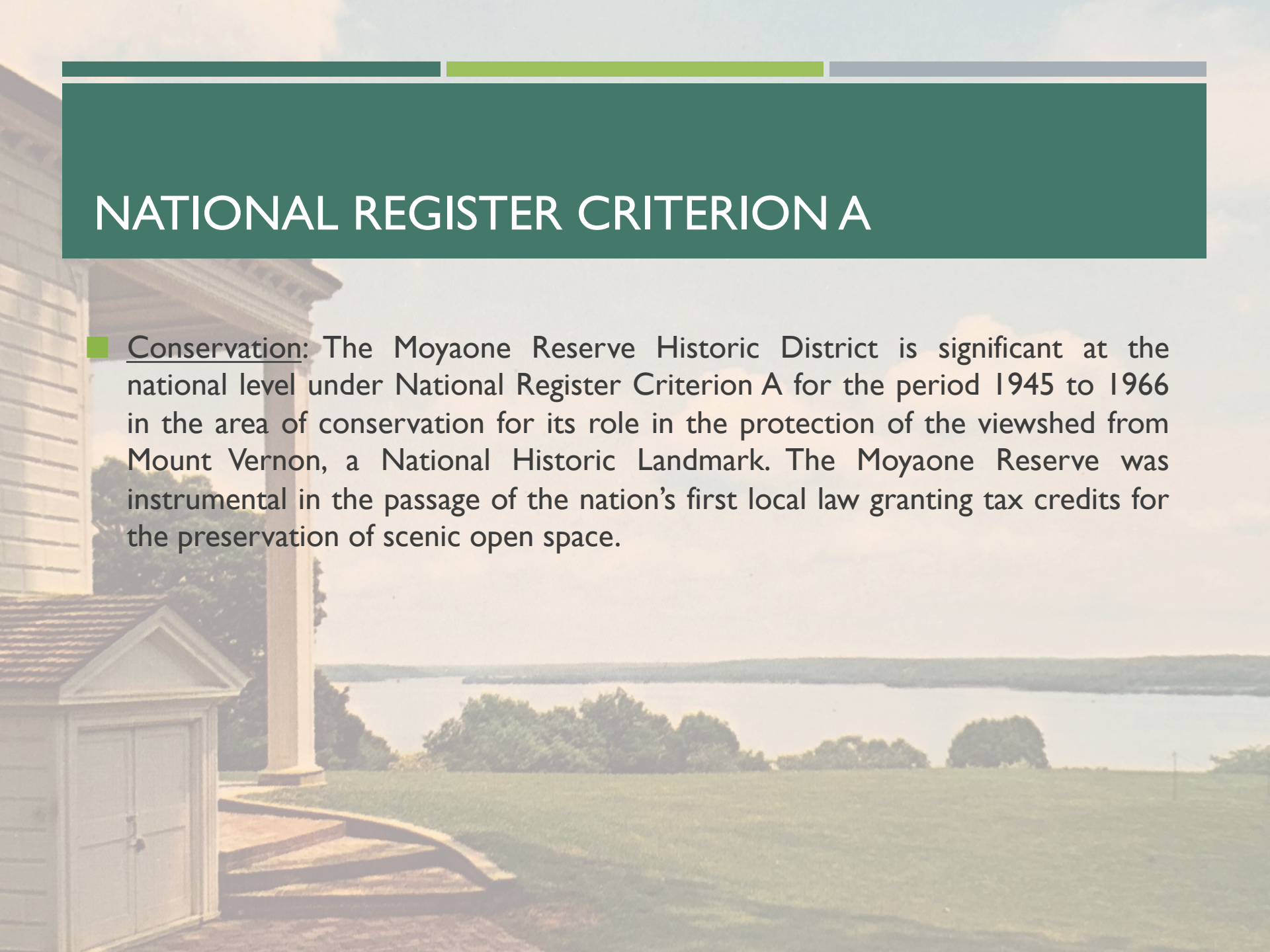
ACROSS POTOMAC RIVER FROM MOUNT VERNON



the MOYAONE RESERVE



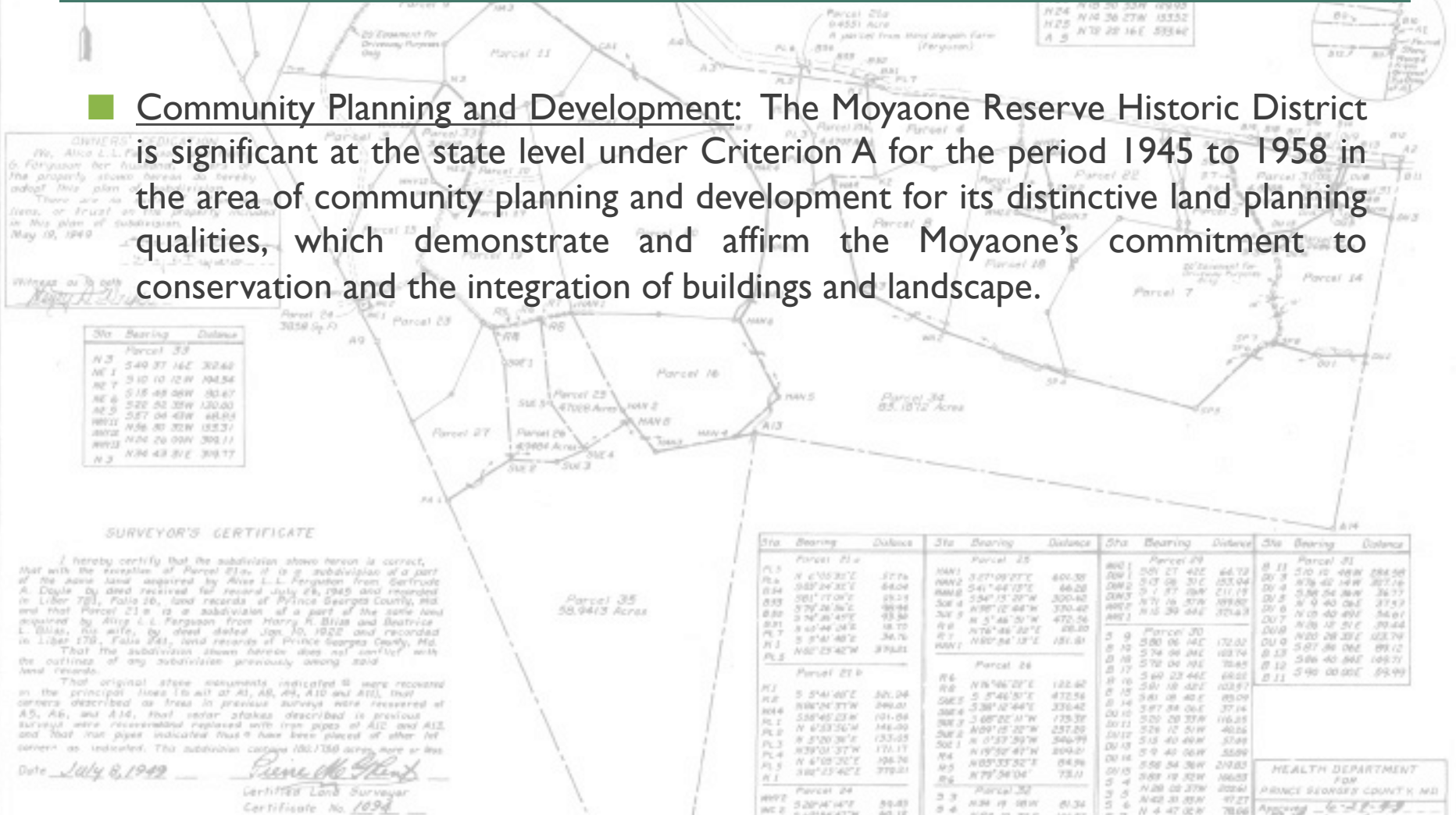
NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERION A

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- Conservation: The Moyaone Reserve Historic District is significant at the national level under National Register Criterion A for the period 1945 to 1966 in the area of conservation for its role in the protection of the viewshed from Mount Vernon, a National Historic Landmark. The Moyaone Reserve was instrumental in the passage of the nation's first local law granting tax credits for the preservation of scenic open space.

A 13	N 0° 52' 28" W	119.42	A 23	S 40° 14' 46" E	47.06
M 14	N 40° 46' 04" E	392.31	B 23	S 43° 20' 39" E	87.52
M 15	N 20° 10' 08" W	643.47	A 4	S 15° 07' 55" E	302.52
M 16	N 24° 20' 48" E	146.43	A 3	S 54° 22' 53" E	223.72
M 17	N 8° 24' 38" E	388.25	A 3	S 50° 27' 55" E	276.20

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERION A

■ Community Planning and Development: The Moyaone Reserve Historic District is significant at the state level under Criterion A for the period 1945 to 1958 in the area of community planning and development for its distinctive land planning qualities, which demonstrate and affirm the Moyaone's commitment to conservation and the integration of buildings and landscape.



Sta	Bearing	Distance
N 3	Parcel 33	
M 1	S 49° 37' 16" E	302.62
M 7	S 10° 10' 12" W	104.94
M 6	S 15° 48' 08" W	83.67
M 5	S 22° 52' 32" W	130.00
M 2	S 27° 04' 48" W	68.84
M 11	N 56° 40' 32" W	133.31
M 12	N 24° 20' 08" W	309.11
N 3	N 24° 48' 20" E	309.17

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the subdivision shown herein is correct, that with the exception of Parcel 31a, it is a subdivision of a part of the above land acquired by Alice L.L. Ferguson from Gertrude A. Doyle by deed received for record July 28, 1945 and recorded in Liber 723, Page 26, land records of Prince Georges County, Md. and that Parcel 21a is a subdivision of a part of the same land acquired by Alice L.L. Ferguson from Harry A. Bliss and Beatrice L. Bliss, his wife, by deed dated Jan. 10, 1922 and recorded in Liber 178, Page 243, land records of Prince Georges County, Md. That the subdivision shown herein does not conflict with the outlines of any subdivision previously shown said land records.

That original stone monuments indicated by were recovered in the principal lines 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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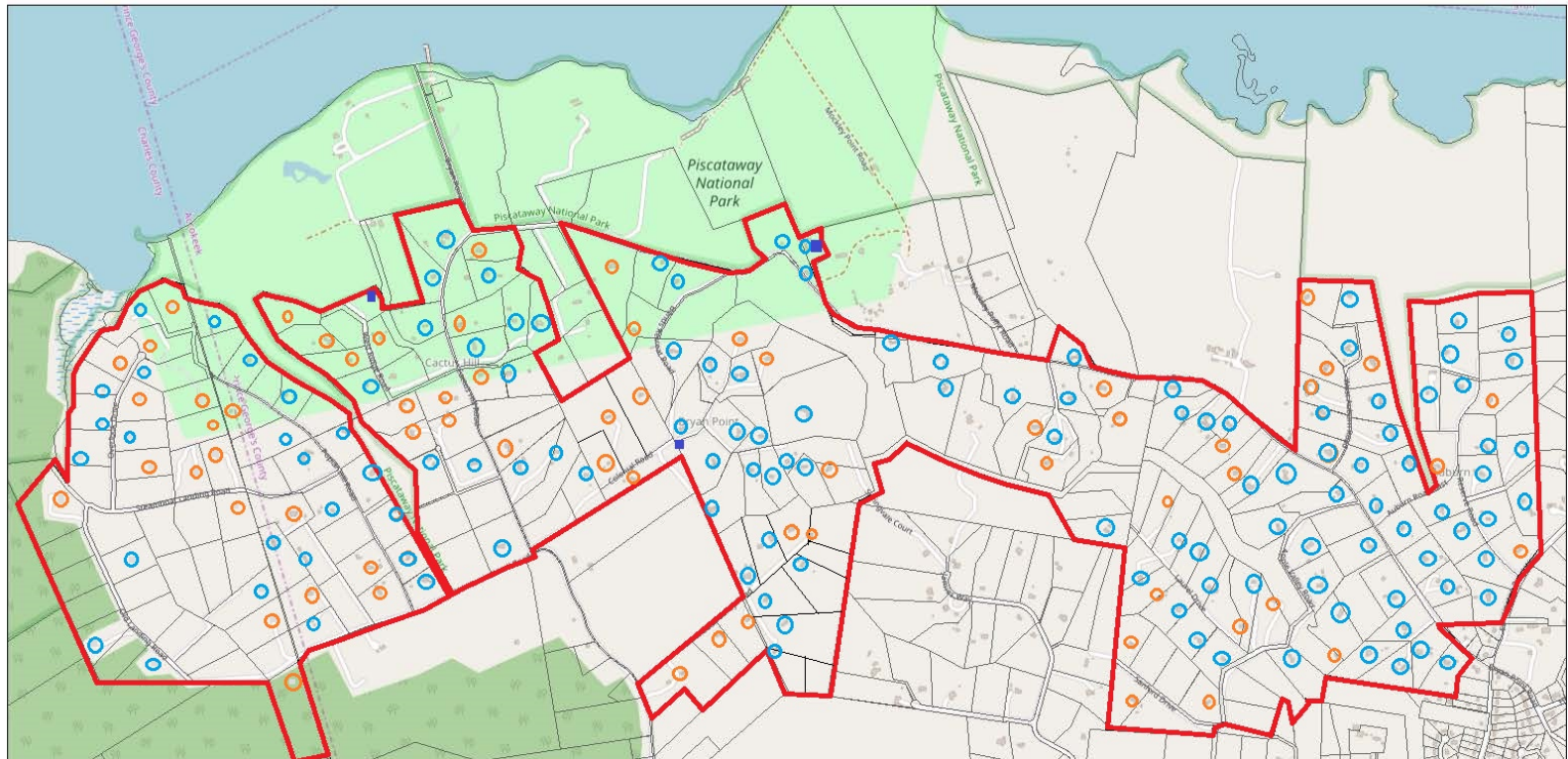
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT
 P.M.
 PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY, MD.
 Approved: Geo. H. H. H.
 July 8, 1949

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERION C





- Architecture: The Moyaone Reserve Historic District is significant at the local level under National Register Criterion C and Criterion Consideration G in the area of architecture for the period 1946 to 1976. The single-family houses designed by Charles Wagner and other architects working in the Moyaone during the postwar period represent a significant collection of Mid-century Modern residential architecture. Other domestic forms and styles introduced into the community during this period represent an important local manifestation of national trends in residential design.

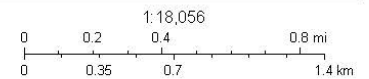
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KEY

- Historic District Boundary: 
- Contributing Buildings: 
- Noncontributing Buildings: 
- Contributing Structures: 



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HISTORIC ASSOCIATED FEATURES



WAGNER COMMUNITY CENTER



minutes of the meeting last year and to
Moyaone members before the meeting.

The Birds

The 31st annual bird count in Accokeek this year found a great black

(Historic photo courtesy the College of Southern Maryland, Southern Maryland Studies Center)

RESIDENTIAL DESIGN (1945-1958)



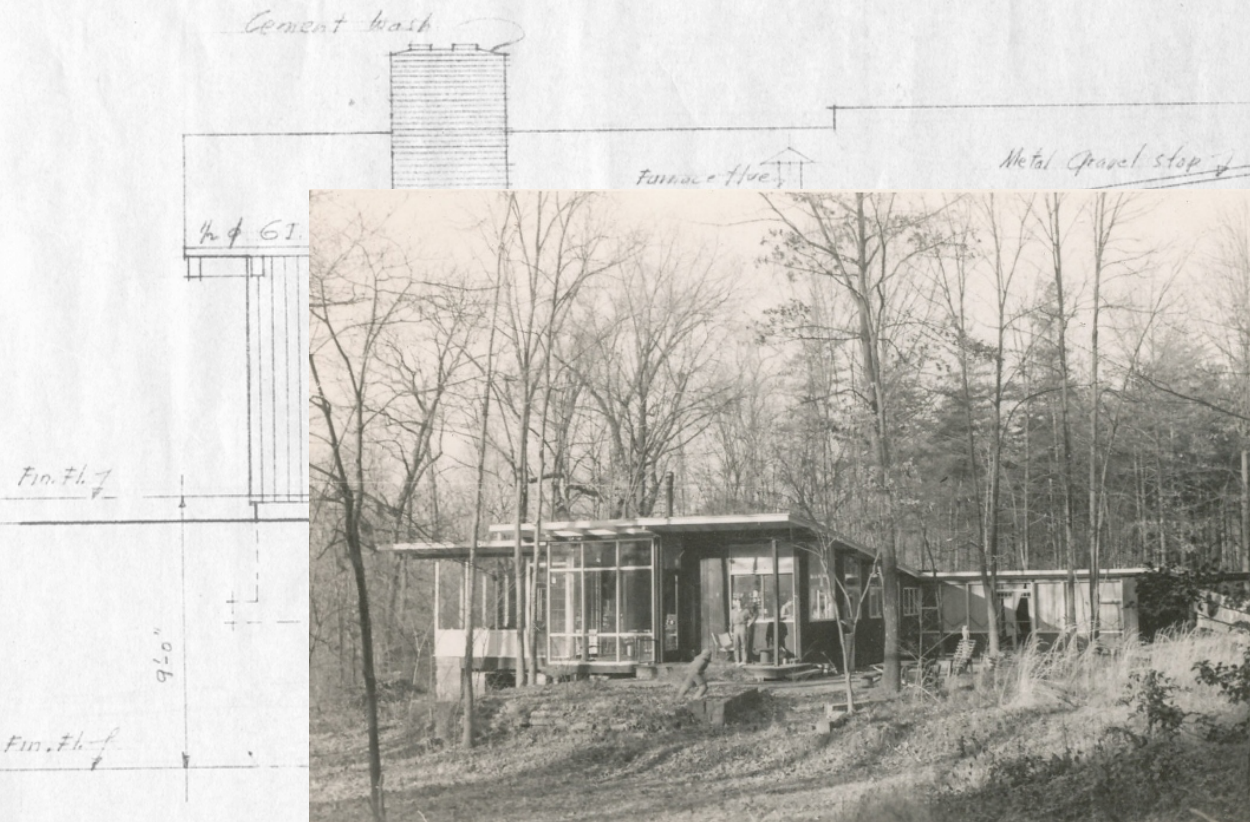
Spratt House (1952) by Charles Wagner

THOMAS STRAUS HOUSE (1942; 1946)

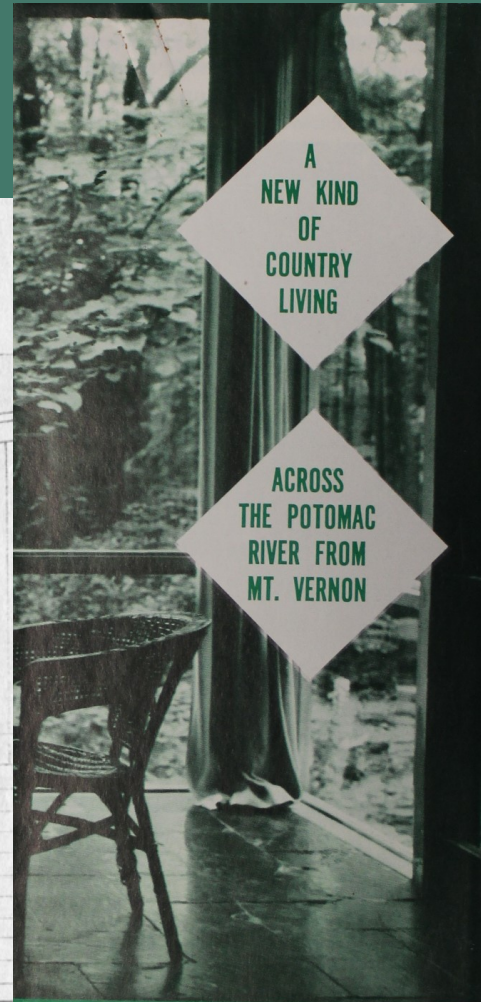


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WAGNER HOUSE (1946; 1947-51)



North Elevation



A
NEW KIND
OF
COUNTRY
LIVING

ACROSS
THE POTOMAC
RIVER FROM
MT. VERNON

— the
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HARRIS HOUSE (1948; 1951; 1958)



ADAMS HOUSE (1957)



RESIDENTIAL DESIGN (1959-1976)

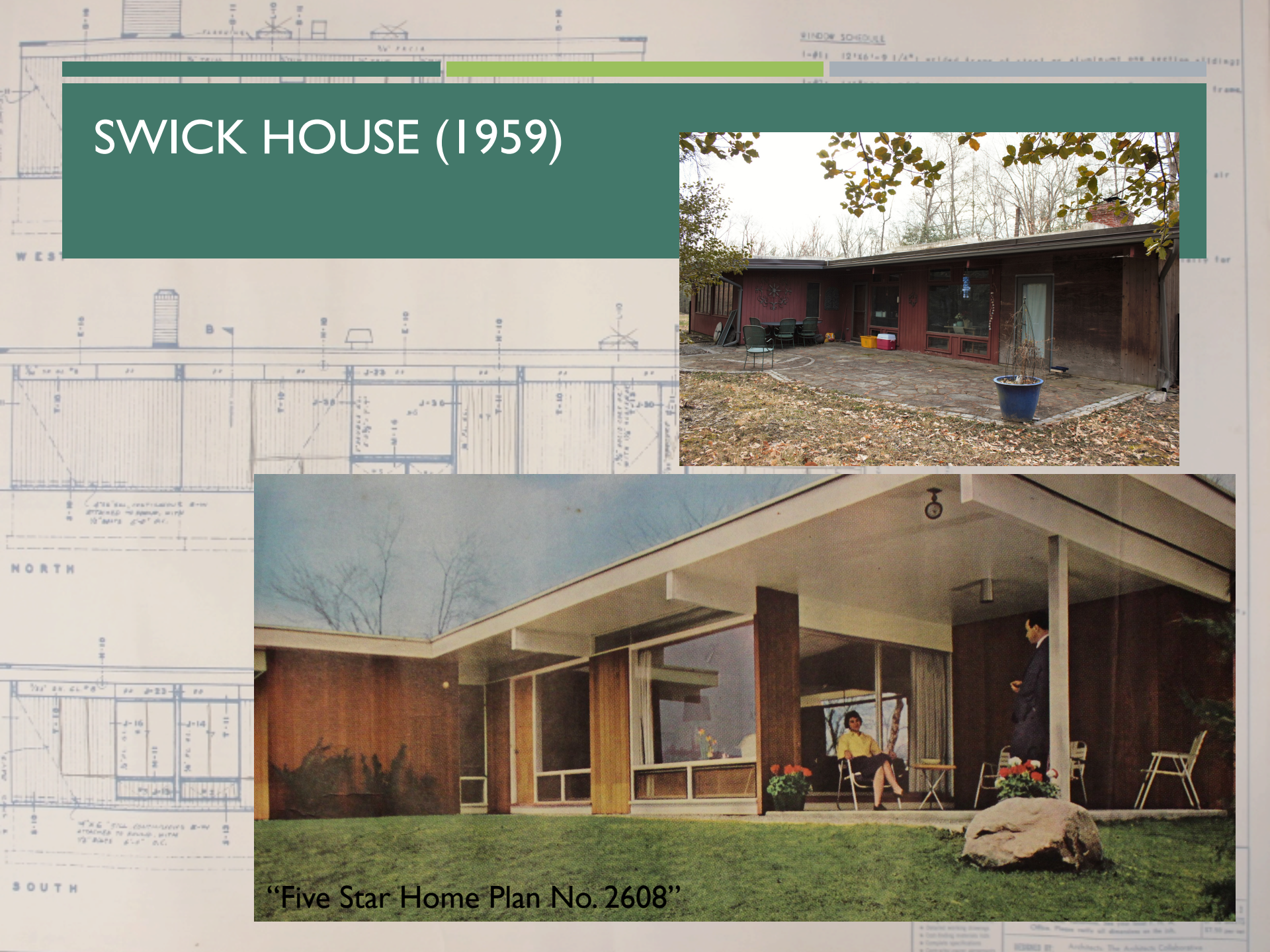


Dildine House (1968) by Techbuilt

SWICK HOUSE (1959)



“Five Star Home Plan No. 2608”



WATTS HOUSE (1964-65)

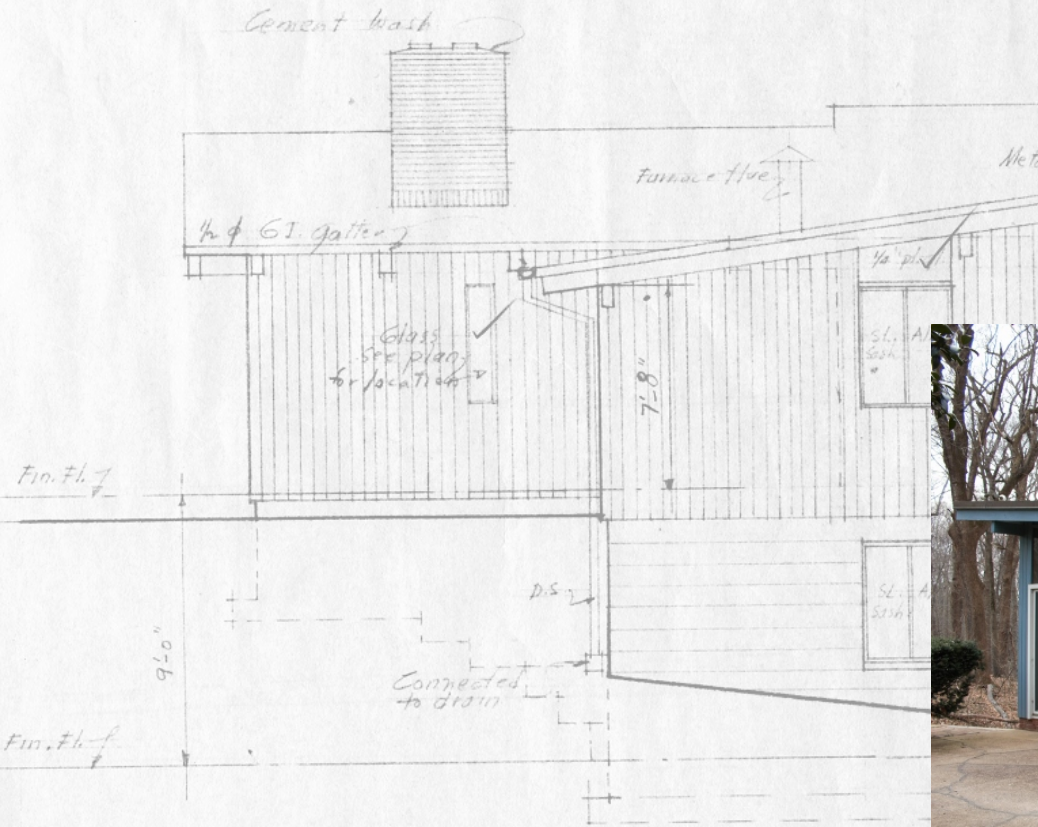


WILLIAMS HOUSE (1964)



East

VANDERSLICE HOUSE (1965-66)



North Elevation



HIBBEN HOUSE (1967)



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SAFFELL HOUSE (1967)



OSBORN HOUSE (1968)



MCDEVITT HOUSE (1975) AND EDLER HOUSE (1975)



design, the Model 7133, base of less than 1,700 square feet views in three directions. Sh to the house is a split design, upper and lower levels.

