

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Green, Herman, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number West side SR1371, 0.4 miles north of SR1375 (5500 Lake Wheeler Road) not for publication N/A
city or town Raleigh vicinity N/A
state North Carolina code NC county Wake code 183 zip code 27603

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide X locally. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

James Cross SHPO 7/11/03
Signature of certifying official Date

North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- _____ entered in the National Register
See continuation sheet.
- _____ determined eligible for the
National Register
See continuation sheet.
- _____ determined not eligible for the
National Register
- _____ removed from the National Register
- _____ other (explain):

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Green, Herman, House
Name of Property

Wake County, North Carolina
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Historic and Architectural Resources of Wake
County, North Carolina (ca. 1770-1941)

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic-Single dwelling
Domestic – secondary structure

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic-Single dwelling
Domestic – secondary structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick
roof slate
walls weatherboard
other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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Wake County, North Carolina
County and State

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

Ca. 1911

Significant Dates

Ca. 1911

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering

Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Green, Herman, House
Name of Property

Wake County, North Carolina
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 1.79

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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Zone Easting Northing

2 _____

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Zone Easting Northing

4 _____
See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Michelle A. Michael, Consultant

organization Wake County Planning Department date February 21, 2003

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city or town Fayetteville state NC zip code 28304

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Hope Buffaloe

street & number 5500 Lake Wheeler Road telephone _____

city or town Raleigh state NC zip code 27603-3930

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a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

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Raleigh vicinity, Wake Co., NC

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Summary:

The Herman Green House is located at 5500 Lake Wheeler Road (SR1371) in the southern corner of Raleigh in Wake County, North Carolina. The two-story, Colonial Revival-style house faces east with its outbuildings situated behind it to the west. The house was built around 1911 for Herman P. Green, a local farmer. The house is located in an area of Wake County that has experienced a great deal of development in the last decade.

Although the area around the house has become increasingly developed, the Herman Green House maintains a high degree of historic integrity with respect to location, setting, design, workmanship, feeling, and association. It is in excellent condition and has recently undergone rehabilitation. The remaining acreage associated with the house is just under two acres. The land around the house has been developed into modern subdivisions in the last decade. Mature oaks draw attention to the Green House which is set back from the road. The house is centered on the property consisting of level ground with historic plantings and trees including oaks, crape myrtle, and magnolia. A modern wood fence encloses the back yard. Two historic outbuildings and one ruin co-exist with three new outbuildings.

Exterior:

The exterior of the ca. 1911 Herman Green House illustrates a stately interpretation of the early twentieth century Colonial Revival style in rural Wake County. A hipped slate roof protects the two-story, three-bay frame house. A transom and sidelights surround a central, half-glazed entrance door. Doric-style columns, a molded handrail, and original plain balustrade support the one-story, hip roof wraparound porch. The porch roof material has been replaced with asphalt shingles. A decorative center front gable contains a double-hung one-over-one wood sash window. All other windows are original one-over-one double-hung wood sash windows. Original weatherboard with cornerboards, a wide frieze, and molded cornice trim the exterior. Two brick chimneys with corbelled caps pierce the roofline.

The north side elevation is two bays wide with the two-bay rear ell attached to the west. A bay window protrudes from the first floor containing three double-hung one-over-one windows.

The rear elevation illustrates the changes and evolution of the Green House. The main, hip-roof block is evident with the one-story kitchen ell projecting from the north end of this elevation. The gabled end of the ell is an enclosed pediment with a single-shoulder brick chimney of patterned brick and a corbeled

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cap. On the south side of the ell is an enclosed hip-roofed porch that now contains a small breakfast room. A two-story, hip-roof addition contains the bathrooms added in the early twentieth century. The front porch extends across the south side elevation. The first floor openings include a half-glazed door on the rear end.

Interior:

The Colonial Revival-style house follows the center-hall, two-room deep plan on both levels. The parlor and dining room are located on the north side; a second parlor and bedroom on the south side. The center hall contains the main stair rising from the front. A large newel post marks the base of the stair. It is square in shape with a reeded shaft, and a beveled cap adorned with egg-and-dart motif. A second, less ornate corner stair with two flights and a landing rises at the back of the hall. Fireplaces are found in each of the rooms, with more elaborate mantels in the parlor and dining rooms to the north. Pocket doors with six-horizontal-panel configuration access the parlor north of the hall. A second set of pocket doors connects the parlor to the dining room. A bay window illuminates the dining room. Both rooms have elaborate mantels of Colonial Revival style. All doors have five horizontal panels. The parlor and bedroom across the hall are similar but less ornate. The master bedroom, in the southwest corner, has a half-glazed door leading to the porch. An enlarged bathroom has also been added in the northwest corner. A small, closet in the rear of the hall was converted into a half-bath. The first floor rooms are finished with original wood floors, wide baseboards, plain door and window surrounds with molded caps, and crown moldings.

The main stair leads to the center hall of the second floor. A pair of newel posts terminate the stair. Both are reeded but lack the egg-and-dart design. One terminates the handrail of the stair, the second terminates the handrail of the second floor balustrade. The four bedrooms have simple wood mantels with pilasters and molded shelves, wood floors, wide baseboards, plain window and door surrounds with molded caps, and six-horizontal-panel wood doors. A bathroom was added shortly after construction to the west side of the hall and maintains its original claw-foot bathtub.

Interior alterations are few and do not detract from the interior integrity of this home. The current owner has made a couple of cosmetic changes including a chair rail to some of the rooms. Two bathrooms have been added to the first floor, a full bath was added to the back bedroom, and a first floor closet has been renovated into a half bath. The rear porch was also enclosed and now serves as a breakfast room. The alterations are easily interpreted as recent changes.

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Outbuilding Inventory:

The inventory is keyed to the attached map.

1. Picnic Shelter. Ca. 2000. Noncontributing structure. A frame picnic shelter with metal roof is located behind the house. It was built by the current owner surrounding an earlier five-to-one common bond brick chimney.
2. Smokehouse/Office/Storage Building. Ca. 1911/1930s/1990s. Noncontributing building. A one-story, one-bay, gable-front, frame smokehouse sheathed with weatherboard and capped with a metal roof appears to be original to the house. A one-story, one-bay, gable-front, frame office building was moved to the property. It has been placed next to the smokehouse. A third building was built next to the other two in the 1990s. It has a flat roof and is connected to the other two buildings by a shed-roof porch that spans the facades of all three buildings.
3. Dairy. 1930s. Noncontributing building. One-story, one-bay, concrete block building with pyramidal roof. Interior has finished plaster walls and concrete floor. Metal casement windows.
4. Outbuilding. 1990s. Noncontributing building. One-story, one-bay, flat-roof building sheathed with weatherboard. Attached, shed-roof porch with plain posts.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Summary:

The Herman Green House meets National Register of Historic Places Criterion C for architecture because it is an excellent example of the Colonial Revival style of architecture in rural Wake County. The house was built ca. 1911 for farmer Herman Green, and it maintains a high degree of integrity with respect to location, design, materials, workmanship, and association. The house which is in excellent condition, is being rehabilitated by the current owner

Historic and architectural context for the Herman Green House is included in the multiple property documentation form (MPDF) entitled "Historic and Architectural Resources of Wake County, North Carolina (ca. 1770-1941) in Context 3: Populism to Progressivism (1885-1918), pages E51-55. The Green House has the physical characteristics of Property Type 3B: Houses built between the Civil War and World War II, described on page F134. The house meets the Registration Requirements for this property type on pages F141-142.

Historical Background:

Little is known about Herman Green (1870-1956). The earliest record found for him is in the 1902 Voter Registration Records when he registered to vote at the age of thirty-three. He is listed in the 1910 Wake County Census Records as forty years old, married to Roxanna, age thirty-eight. They are listed with twin boys, Herman and Phares age three, and one baby daughter, Jane living in Swift Creek Township. Ten years later in the 1920 census, the Greens had added another set of twins to their family. The boys, named Robert and Ernest are listed as being nine years old.

Earlier census records list Herman Green's wife, Roxanna or Anna as the daughter of Phares Yates. Phares Yates operated Yates Mill during the late nineteenth century. The mill, also in the Swift Creek Township, is approximately one-quarter of a mile from the Herman Green House (Lally, p. 395).

Deed references for the Herman Green House lead to an 1866 deed (Book 28, page 400) between James Penny and the buyer, Phares Yates, for fifty acres. A second deed reference (Book 238, page 426) is between W. C. Douglas, Commissioner to H. P. Green in 1909. This deed is for the fifty acres that Green purchased at public auction. Both of these deeds are referenced in the 1986 deed transferring the property from the Green family to the South Fork Development Company. Based on the date of the 1909 deed and the age of his children it is estimated that Herman Green built his large home around 1911. The multiple property documentation form and publication "The Historic Architecture of Wake County, North Carolina" both date the house to the early twentieth century.

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Herman P. Green, a farmer, lived his entire life in Wake County and died in Wake County in 1956 at the age of eighty-six (News and Observer, May 4, 1956). He was survived by his wife and five grown children. Jane Green Deese, daughter of Herman Green, ultimately inherited the house and owned it until 1986. At that time the South Fork Development Company purchased the land and Jane Green Deese continued to live in the house until 1996. The Buffaloe family purchased the property in 1996. Owner, Hope Buffaloe, has carefully rehabilitated the Herman Green house for her private residence.

The Herman Green House is an important reminder of a time when Lake Wheeler Road was just a country road in southern Wake County. Many rural farmhouses and farm property have been lost to new development and sprawl in this area. Although new subdivisions surround the Herman Green House, it stands as a stately and vital reminder of the history of Swift Creek Township in southern Wake County.

Architecture Context:

The Colonial Revival style of architecture became popular in the United States in the late nineteenth century and maintained its popularity well into the mid-twentieth century. North Carolina followed national trend and embraced the style throughout the state. Among the most prevalent forms of the Colonial Revival style house in North Carolina is the rectangular plan, two-story, centered door type, with a one-story, full-width porch with classical columns. This simple definition of the style is interpreted in both simple and exuberant examples throughout the state of North Carolina.

In Wake County, “the Colonial Revival appeared in hip- or pyramidal-roofed foursquare houses with symmetrical facades, dormer windows, trabeated entrances, and Doric-columned full-façade or wrap-around porches (Lally, MPDF, p. F1324).” Rural farmhouses tend to be simpler versions of the Colonial Revival style while colossal porches and other classical references are usually found on more ambitious dwellings. The typical rural house built in the early twentieth century was usually a simple frame home with a tri-gable form or pyramidal cottage. The Rowland-Jones House near Apex is representative of the typical Wake County farmhouse. It is a one-story house with hipped roof, known as a pyramidal cottage. A centered front gable accents the roofline and the Doric-columned porch references the Colonial Revival style.

The two-story, hip-roof, center-hall plan is also typical of the Colonial Revival style in the early twentieth century. In southern Wake County the Green House is exemplary. There are two other examples that are closely related to the Green House, both are in southern Wake County. The Richard and Annie Adams

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House is located in the vicinity of Holly Springs, west of the Green House. The turn-of-the-century house is also a two-story, three-bay, hip-roof frame Colonial Revival style home with two tall chimneys piercing the roof. Like the Green House, the Adams House also has a centered gable. The two-over-two sash windows, an earlier window style, reflect the house's circa 1900 construction date. The porches are both wraparound with Doric columns, however, the Adams House has a pediment at the entry. This earlier version of the Colonial Revival most closely resembles the Herman Green House.

The T.H. Stephenson House is in the town of Fuquay-Varina, located south of the Green House. While the Green House is a farmhouse, the Stephenson House is a town house. The Stephenson House, built around 1914, is a two-story, hip-roof house with centered gables on the front and side elevations, and tall brick chimneys with corbelled caps. The roof of the Stephenson House is covered with metal, as opposed to the Green House slate roof. The Stephenson House porch wraps around three sides of the house and has a pedimented entrance bay. It also features Craftsman-style, three-over-one double-hung windows that may be replacements. Although there are subtle differences between the Stephenson House and the Herman Green House these differences illustrate the versatile nature of the style and its different interpretations throughout Wake County.

The Herman Green House is a wonderfully preserved example of the simple Colonial Revival style found in rural Wake County. In *The Historic Architecture of Wake County, NC*, Author Kelly Lally states, "A perfect example of the pared down versions of the Colonial Revival found throughout the county, the Herman Green House displays a symmetrical façade, a prominent entrance surrounds by sidelights and transom, and a Doric-columned wraparound porch (Lally, p. 108)." In addition to its intact exterior details including slate roof, the interior of the Herman Green House maintains its Colonial Revival style features. Wood floors, reeded newel posts, elaborate mantels, pocket doors, and two sets of stairs compose the original Colonial Revival appointments.

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Boundary Description

The Herman Green House is located at 5500 Lake Wheeler Road in Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina. It is identified in the Wake County Tax Records as PIN number 0791222645, containing 1.79 acres.

Boundary Justification

The above-described boundary encompasses the land that maintains its historical integrity and association with the Herman Green House. The remaining estate lands surrounding the house lot have been developed and/or are no longer part of the subject property.

Photographs

The following information pertains to all photographs

Herman Green House

Raleigh vicinity, Wake County, NC

Photographer: Michelle A. Michael

Date: March 2002

Location of Negatives: North Carolina Historic Preservation Office, Raleigh, NC

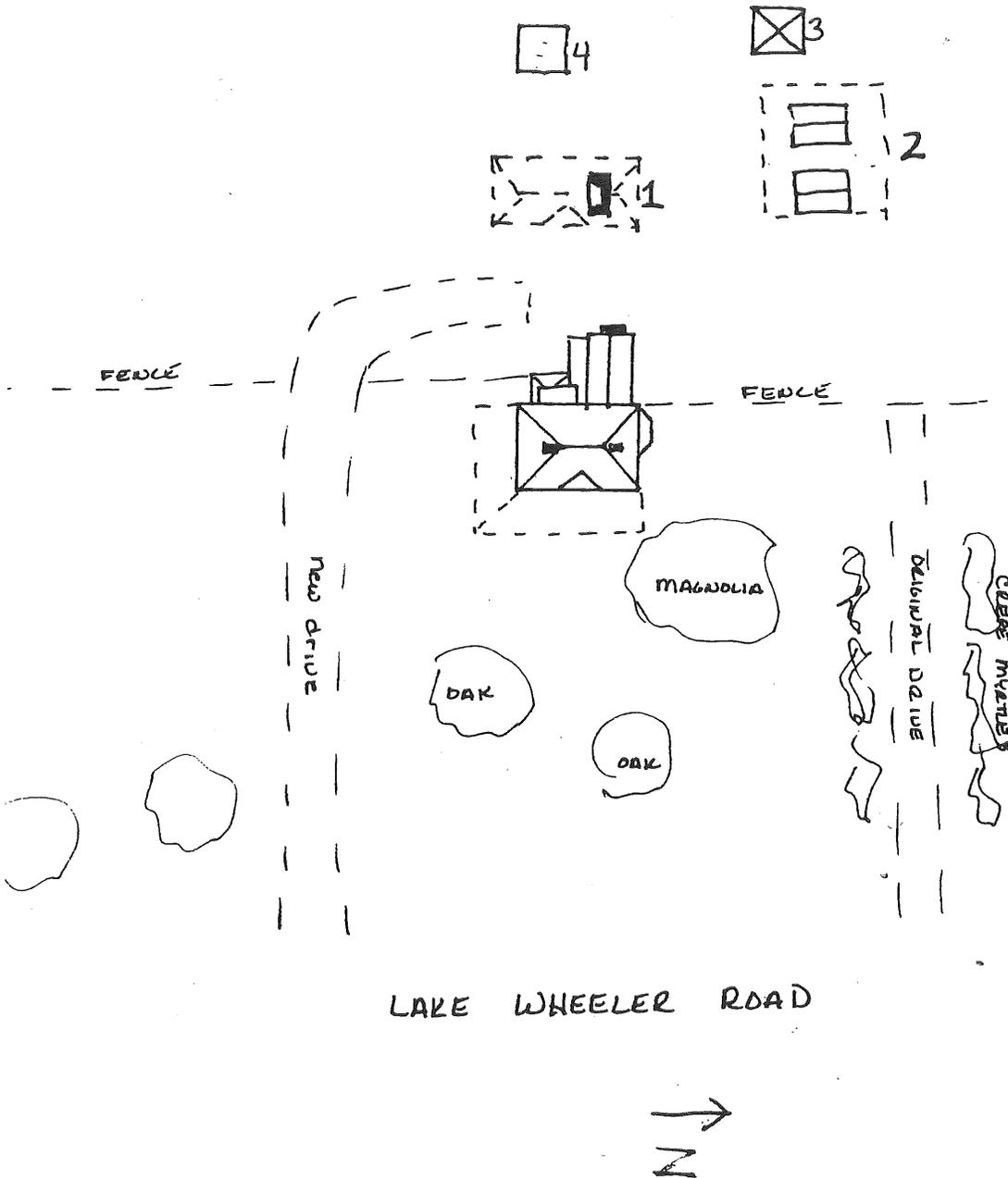
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- B. View of front (east side) of Herman Green House.
- C. View of north (side) elevation..
- D. View of west (rear) elevation.
- E. View of south (side) elevation.
- F. Interior view of stair.
- G. Interior view of dining room mantel.
- H. Interior view of pocket doors between dining room and parlor.
- I. View of smokehouse, office, shed, and dairy.
- J. View of all outbuildings.

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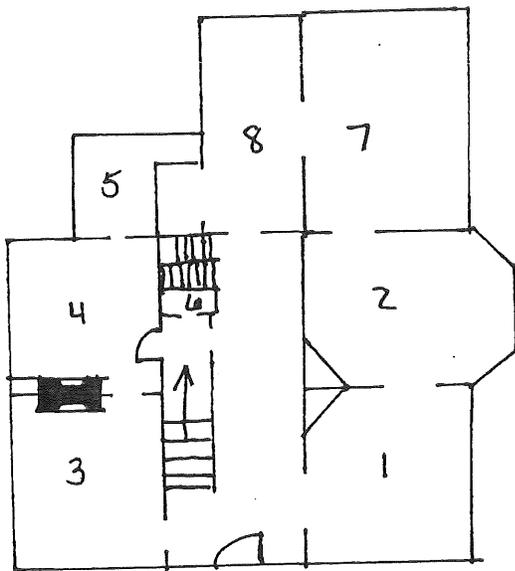


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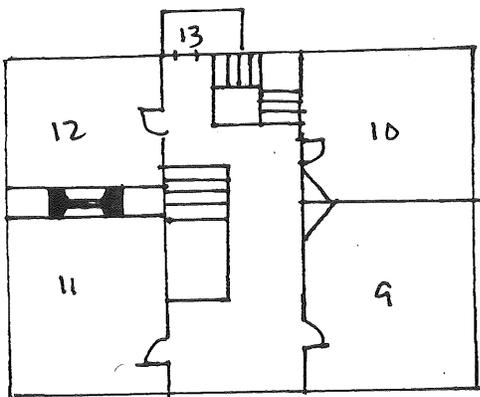
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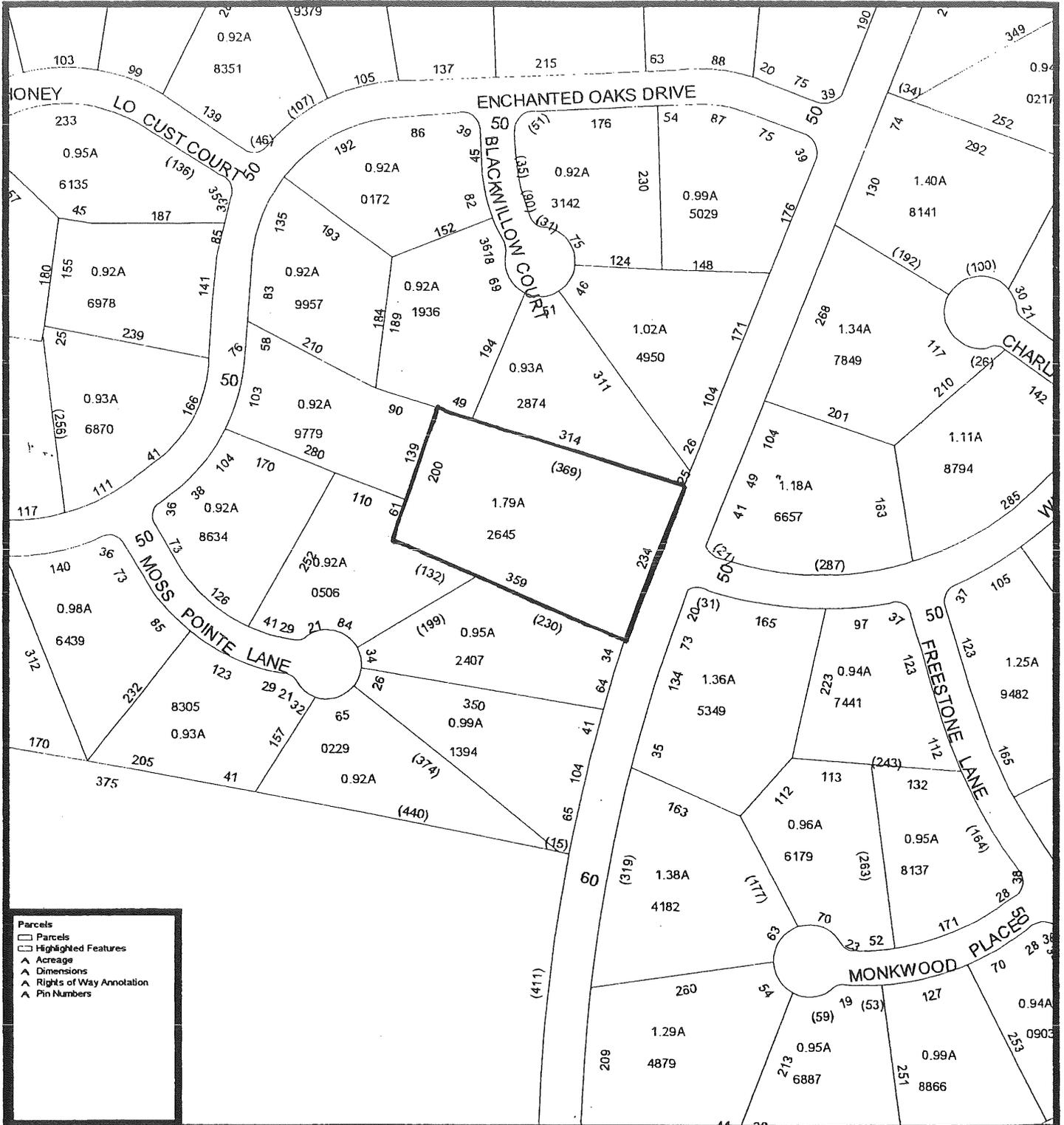
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- 3) PARLOR / BEDROOM
- 4) BEDROOM
- 5) BATH
- 6) HALF BATH
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- 8) ENCLOSED PORCH / BREAKFAST ROOM
- 9) - BEDROOMS
- 12)
- 13) BATH



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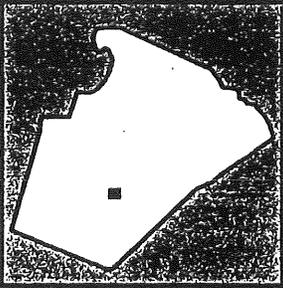




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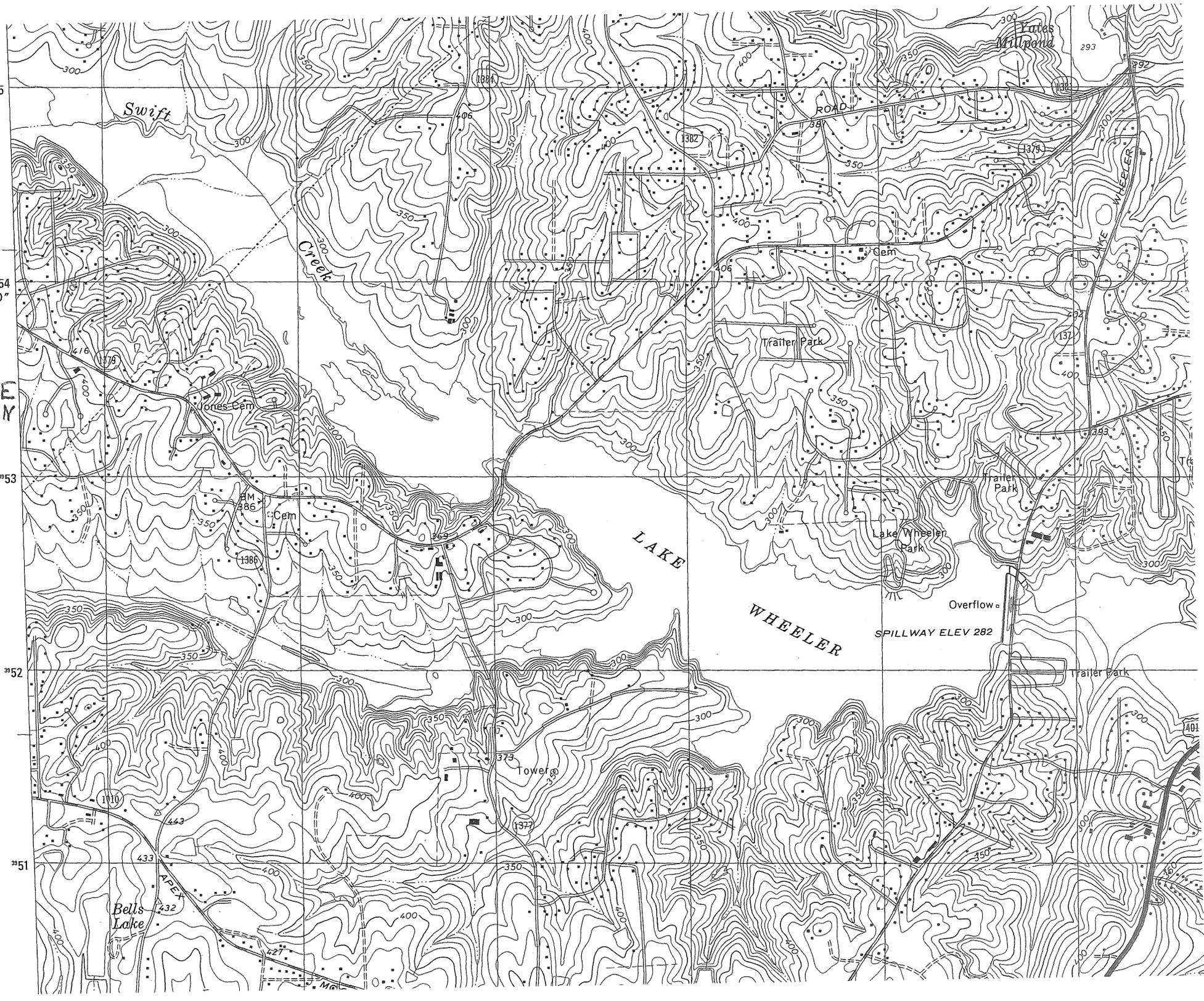
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