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CECIL COUNTY GOVERNMENT

129 East Main Street
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7 March 2003

Isabella E. Marshall
449 Doris Circle
Aberdeen, MD 21001

RE: Nomination for Historic Designation – England Family Farm

Dear Mrs. Marshall:

I am pleased to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County, at our meeting of Tuesday, 4 March 2003, approved the nomination to designate the England Family Farm as a historic site. Items of note pertaining to the historic significance of the site include that Joseph England purchased 500 acres in 1723. Samuel England, Joseph's son, erected a home and barn on the property in 1739. Additional buildings were erected by Samuel in 1785 and are still in use today. The Mason/Dixon survey of 1787 impacted the original purchase by Joseph England. Items of architectural significance include that the dwelling and outbuildings exemplify 18th and 19th century building techniques, and that the basic log house is still present on site.

Thank you for your efforts to preserve the historic heritage of Cecil County.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nelson K. Bolender".

Nelson K. Bolender, President
Board of County Commissioners

NKB/ess

CC: Eric S. Sennstrom, AICP

2003-02

CECIL COUNTY REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NOMINATION FORM

Please refer to separate detailed instructions for completing this form.

Definition

"Property" refers to the entire geographic area being nominated. It may be an individual building, site, structure or object; or it may be a district consisting of numerous buildings, sites, structures or objects. An area consisting of several types of structures with different owners is also a property that is a district.

Nomination Information: Please Print or Type

1. a) Name of property:

England family farm

b) Estimated age or historic dates:

1750 - property purchased
1785 - Buildings constructed.

2. Address of property:

Box 961, England Creamery Rd.

3. Tax Map:

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Parcel Number:

9 and 369

4. Name, address, and telephone number of all property owners of record within the District:

Robert C. England, P.O. Box 272 Rising Sun, Md. 21911

Wm. Gerald England, P.O. Box 954, England Creamery Rd., P.S.

George W. England, 280 Joaquin Guerrero Dr. Tamuning, 21911

Isabella E. Marshall, 449 Denis Circle, Aberdeen, Md. 21001

(Attach separate sheet, if necessary)

5. Description of property boundaries of the District:

6. Attach a map showing the boundaries and location of the site or District.

7. Please provide photographs or slides showing the important structures or features of the property. - Aerial photo provided in first application - retained in file.

8. Please check all designations that apply to this nomination. Add descriptive information for those checked. Is or has this property, in any part, been listed or nominated to:

Cecil County Historic Designation: _____

Maryland Register of Historic Properties: _____

____ National Register of Historic Places: _____

____ Maryland or Cecil Inventory of Historic Properties? _____

____ A Preservation Easement by any historic organization? Identify _____

____ Are there any other easements or rights of way affecting the District? Explain _____

____ Other, explain _____

9. Please check all of the following criteria that apply to the property.

A. Historical or Archeological

- The property has character, interest, or value as part of the development or cultural characteristics of the County, State, or Nation.
- The property is the site of a significant County, State, or National historic event.
- The property is identified with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the County, State, or Nation.

B. Architectural

- The property has distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction or use of indigenous materials.
- The property represents the work of a master builder, designer, architect or landscape architect whose work influenced the development of the County, State, or Nation.
- The property has elements of design, detailing, materials or craftsmanship that render it architecturally significant.
- The property has elements that make it structurally or architecturally innovative.
- The property has a unique location or singular physical characteristic that makes it an established or familiar usual feature.
- The property has character as a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance.
- The property has significant interior features. List _____

10. Attach a statement describing the property, its historical significance, and the reasons why it should be designated to the Cecil County Register of Historic Places. At the end of the statement, please list your sources of information, including bibliographic references.

11. Signatures of owner(s) of record consenting to this nomination. If there are more than two owners, please attach a separate sheet providing the information indicated.

A. Print Name: Robert C. England Date: 12/18/2002
Signature: Robert C. England

B. Print Name: Wm. Gerald England Date: 12/18/2002
Signature: Wm. Gerald England

(See attached sheet for 2 more signatures)

12. Name, address and telephone number of person submitting application:

Name: Isabella E. Marshall

Address: 449 DONS Circle
Aberdeen, Md. 21001

Telephone Numbers: (Home) 410-272-8359 Hours Available: All
(Work) N/A Hours Available: N/A

E-mail address: iemarshall@juno.com

Date: 1/10/03

Official Use Only

Application Number: _____
Date received: _____
Date of Public Notice: _____
Election District: _____
Zoning District: _____
Land Use District: _____
Tax Map: _____
Parcel(s): _____

HDC Hearing Date: _____
PC Hearing Date: _____
CC Hearing Date: _____

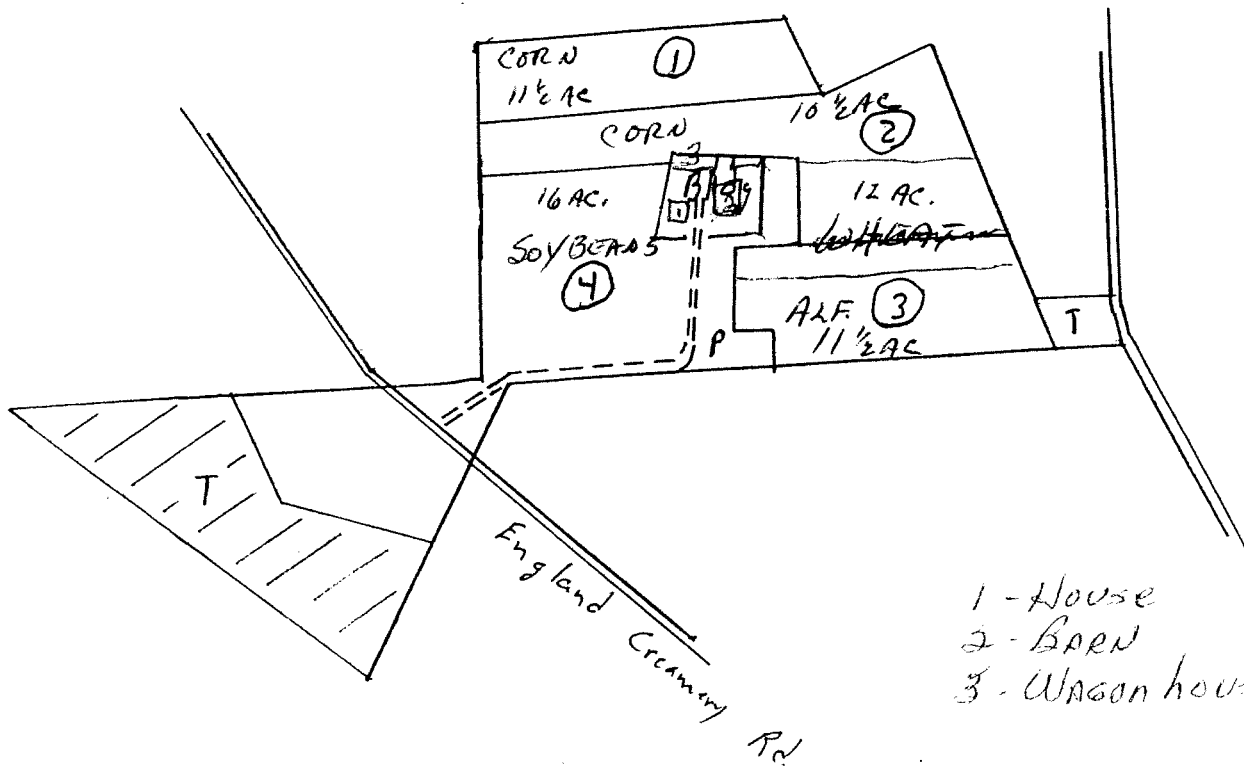
Fx 410-658-7115

Isabelle E. Marshall
Isabelle L. Marshall

GEORGE W. ENGLAND
George W. England

CROPS 1998+1999

Bill England



- 1 - House
- 2 - Barn
- 3 - Wagon house

SOUTHERN STATES COOP, INC.
P.O. Box 399
Rising Sun, MD 21911

HISTORY OF THE HOUSE AND FARM BUILDINGS
961 ENGLAND CREAMERY ROAD

Information gathered from *Joseph England and His Descendants* by C. Walter England and *At the Head of the Bay, A Cultural and Architectural History of Cecil County, MD.*

1. 1723 – Joseph England purchased 500 acres, about 2 miles southwest of village of Brick Meeting. Joseph called this tract of land “Springfield Plantation”. (SE side of North East Creek)
2. 1738 – Joseph England purchased Chalkley Land, situated on the opposite side of the main branch of the North East Creek, adjoining Springfield Plantation..
3. 1739.– Samuel England, son of Joseph England, built a substantial brick home on Chalkley Land. Samuel inherited both Springfield and Chalkley from his father.
4. 1747 - A border dispute between the Provinces of Maryland and of Pennsylvania created controversy for Joseph and his Springfield Plantation, ultimately causing him to give up 231-1/2 acres. Though no records have been found concerning the outcome of the dispute, when the Maryland patent for Springfield was granted in 1788, it was for 268-1/2 acres.
5. 1750-1770 – Samuel purchased Bethel, a tract of a little over 200 acres. Bethel was situated north and adjoined Chalkley Land. (Now 2 farms – one owned by Clifford England and one owned by children of William England)
6. 1785 - Samuel built the home and farm buildings on Bethel for his son, Elisha. (These include the barn, wagon house, house, smoke house, and part of the chicken house on the William England farm.)
Housebuilder William Cook’s surviving invoices document in detail the construction and finish of a log dwelling, a log barn, stable, and wagon house. These buildings are still in use in the year 2000. The 2-story house had a hall/parlor plan with chimneys rising through each end. (Pg 203, *At the Head of the Bay, The Maryland Historical Trust Press, Crownsville, Md.*)
7. 1787 – Mason-Dixon survey completed. Applications were filed for Maryland patents. Brick Meeting House community renamed from West Nottingham Township to South Susquehanna Hundred.
8. 1823 – At Elisha’s death, his sons, George and John petitioned the Judges of the Court of Cecil Co. for division of Bethel for the purpose of dividing assets of the estate among his heirs. The valuation placed upon the land

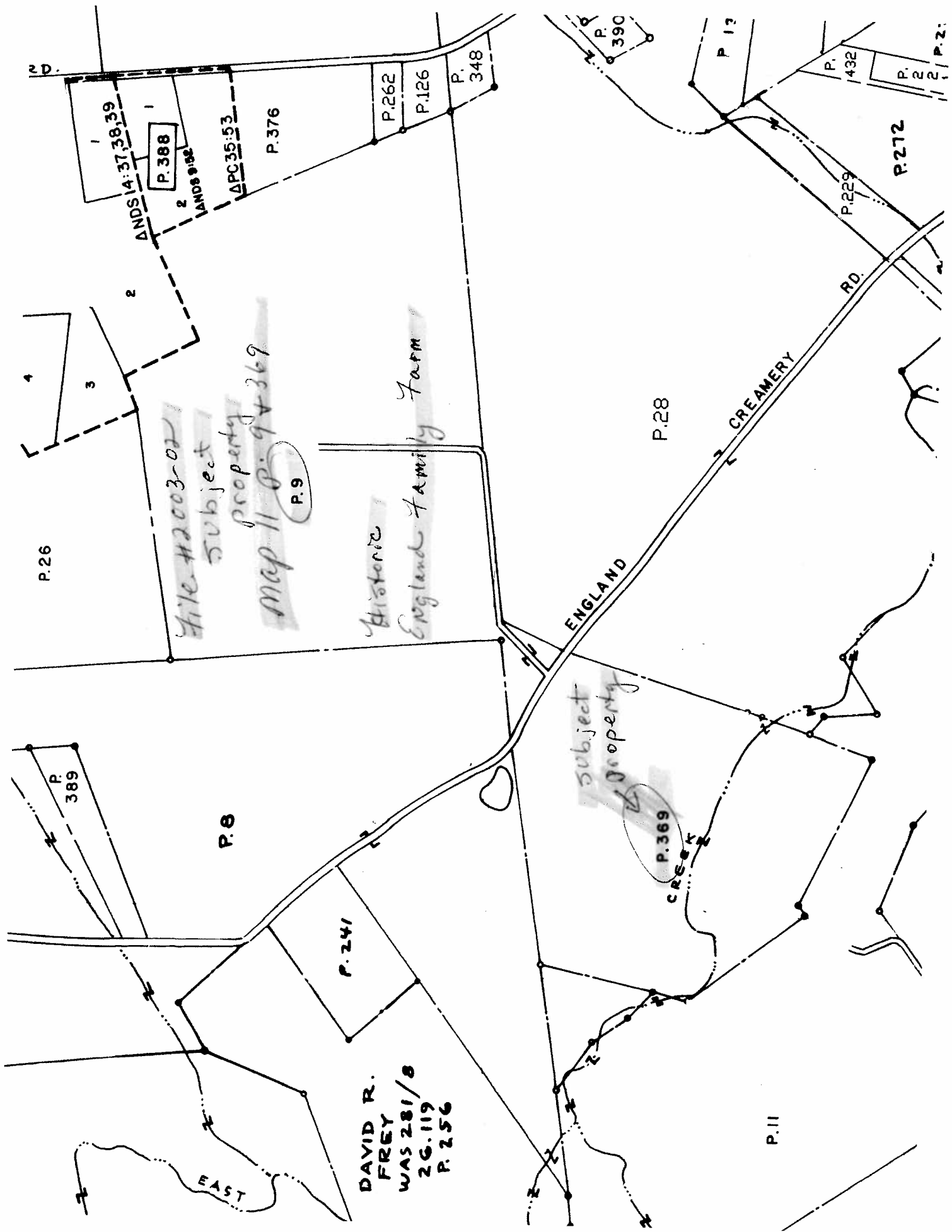
was not considered sufficient by the heirs and was placed for auction. George and John England purchased 240 acres at \$9.65 per acre.

9. 1843 – George and John agreed to divide Bethel so that each would have his own farm. George was given 107-3/4 acres on southwestern portion of Bethel. (William England farm) John was given 60 acres on southeastern portion, and 72-1/2 acres on Brick Meeting House Road were sold to Elisha Brown, son of Sarah England, sister of John and George, (Clifford England farm)
10. 1849 – At death of George, his farm was sold to his daughter Rachel and her husband, Charles Gamble.
11. 1860 – 1870 – Extensive alterations to the Bethel house included the addition of a center stair hall, a two-story kitchen and dining room wing on the rear, and front and side porches. Carpenter's records credit Job, John, and Lewis England with the remodeling work, which took place after Job England came back to Cecil County from Philadelphia in 1867. (Pg. 476, *At the Head of the Bay, The Maryland Historical Press, Crownsville, Md.*)
12. 1868 – Charles Gamble sold their farm to Job England, son of Samuel John, cousin of George, Rachel Gamble's father.
13. 1886 – Job England purchased adjoining farm, called Messer's Brown Inheritance (now Kenneth England farm) from Mark Brown. Job's son Howard (Kenneth's grandfather) farmed this land.
14. 1889 – Job and Mary England purchased a home in Calvert and willed the Bethel farm to his son, C. Clifford, and the Mark Brown farm to Howard.
15. 1912 – Clifford purchased the former Elisha Brown farm, (72-1/2 acres) and rejoined 2/3 of the original Bethel land under single England ownership.
16. 1920 – Clifford and Howard purchased the Hopkins England farm. In 1921 Howard bought Clifford's share and retained ownership. This farm later belonged to Howard's son, Eugene and now to Eugene's son, Howard England.
17. 1927 – Clifford sold the Elisha Brown farm to his son Everett, now owned and farmed by Clifford England, son of Everett.
18. 1928 – Clifford and Nettie England purchased a home in Zion, leaving the SW portion of Bethel to be farmed by his son William and wife Lillian.

19. 1943 – William and Lillian purchased the farm from the heirs of Clifford. Now (1997) owned and farmed by their children, Robert, George, and Isabelle E. Marshall, L. Carol England.
20. 2001 – L. Carol England sold her share of the farm to grandson of William and Lillian, Wm. Gerald England, His brother, John C. England and family are currently living on the farm.

Succession of ownership and division of *Bethel* farms:

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| 1750 | - | Samuel England; son of Joseph. (2 nd generation) |
| 1785 | - | Elisha England; son of Samuel. (3 rd generation) |
| 1823 | - | George and John England; sons of Elisha and grandsons of Samuel. (4 th generation) |
| 1843 | - | Divided :
George – 107-3/4 acres on SW portion;
John – 60 acres on SE portion;
Elisha Brown, nephew of George and John; 72-1/2 acres on Brick Meeting House Road. (5 th generation). |
| 1849 | - | George England's portion (SW portion) to his daughter, Rachel England Gamble, great-granddaughter of Samuel, and her husband, Charles Gamble. (5 th generation) |
| 1868 | - | Rachel Gamble's farm (SW portion) to Job England; son of Samuel John England and great-grandson of Samuel. (5 th generation) |
| 1889 | - | SW portion - Job England to his son, Clifford England. (6 th generation) |
| 1912 | - | Former Elisha Brown farm (on Brick Meeting House Rd) - purchased by Clifford England. |
| 1927 | - | Former Elisha Brown farm – to Everett England, son of Clifford. (7 th generation) |
| 1943 | - | SW portion – to G. William England; son of Clifford. (7 th generation) |
| 1987 | - | Former Elisha Brown farm – to Clifford England, son of Everett. (8 th generation) |



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Historic England Family Farm

Subject Property

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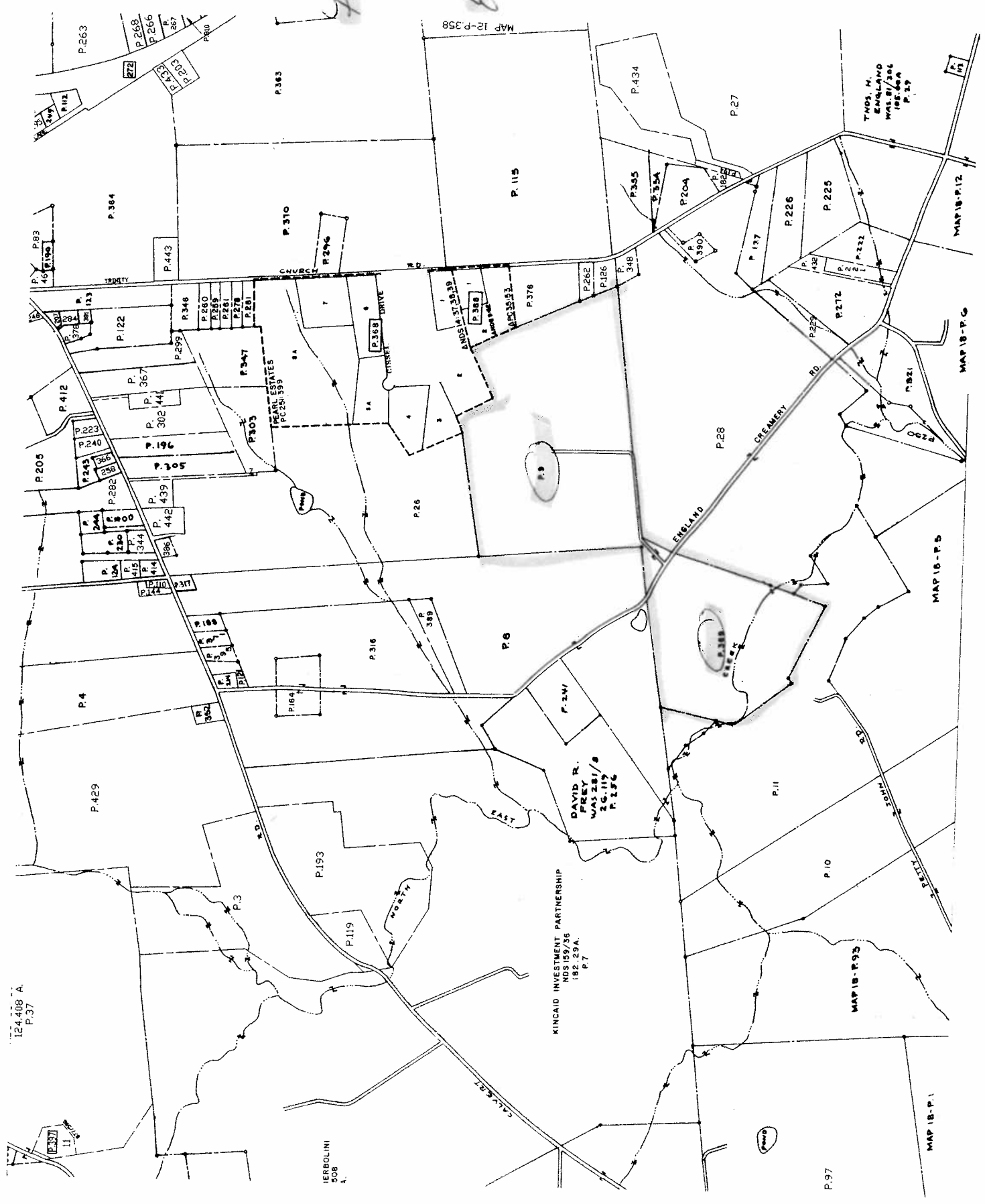
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