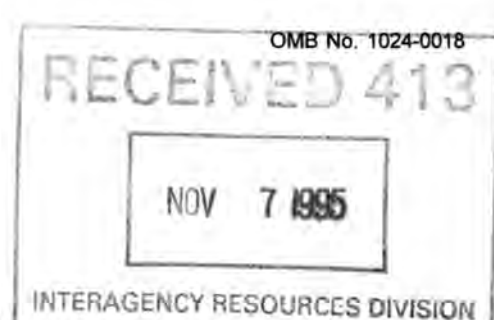


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form



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 Brown-Davis-Frost Farm

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 17 Whitney Street N/A not for publication

city or town Holden (Jefferson) N/A vicinity

state Massachusetts code MA county Worcester code 027 zip code 01522

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this ☒ 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 ☒ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally. (☐ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Judith B. McDonough

11/2/95

Signature of certifying official/Title Judith B. McDonough, Executive Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission, State Historic Preservation Officer

Date

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 certifying official/Title

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

Edson H. Boal

12.13.95

Entered in the
National Register

Brown-Davis-Frost Farm
Name of Property

Worcester County, MA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- ☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

(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

4

1

buildings

sites

2

structures

objects

6

1

Total

Name of related multiple property listing

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

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

AGRICULTURE: agricultural outbuilding

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

AGRICULTURE: agricultural outbuilding, animal facility

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Georgian

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation granite

walls brick

synthetic

roof asphalt

other _____

Narrative Description

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

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 religious institution or used for religious purposes.

☐ **B** removed from its original location.

☐ **C** a birthplace or 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

AGRICULTURE

Period of Significance

Late 18th c. - 1945

Significant Dates**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

9. Major Bibliographical References

(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:

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Charles & Barbara Horsfall, Owners

Brown-Davis-Frost Farm
Name of Property

Worcester County, MA
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 50 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

1. 19 262380 4694860
Zone Easting Northing

2. 19 262040 4694920
Zone Easting Northing

3. 19 261890 4695470
Zone Easting Northing

4. 19 262320 4695540
Zone Easting Northing

 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

Lisa Mausolf, Preservation Consultant, for the Holden Historical Commission
name/title with Betsy Friedberg, National Register Director, MHC

organization Massachusetts Historical Commission date July 1995

street & number 220 Morrissey Boulevard telephone (617) 727-8470

city or town Boston state MA zip code 02125

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 Charles and Barbara Horsfall

street & number 17 Whitney Street telephone (508) 829-2666

city or town Holden (Jefferson) state MA zip code 01522

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Massachusetts
INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



7. DESCRIPTION

The Brown-Davis Frost property in rural Holden, Massachusetts consists of five buildings and two structures, all of which, with the exception of the garage/kennel building, are contributing to the architectural and historical significance of the property. The focal point of the complex is the 2 1/2 story side gable brick main house dating to the late 18th century. Other buildings include a c.1940 barn replacing an earlier structure, a workshop thought to date from the early 20th century and converted to a workshop about 1940, a former c.1940 garage converted to a kennel about 1990, a sheep shed and a well structure. Part of the stonewall system separating the main house from surrounding pasture and woodlands is intact. The buildings retain much of their architectural and historical integrity and are consistent with the evolutionary development of the farm. The Brown-Davis-Frost property is representative of development over a period of over two hundred years beginning with the initial period of construction in the late 18th century and extending into the early-mid 20th century. The related outbuildings and structures date from the early to mid twentieth century and are reflective of the use and function of the property.

The main house is a 2 1/2 story side gable structure measuring 5 x 2 bays and resting on a granite foundation. Three exterior walls are constructed of brick laid in a stretcher bond alternating seven courses of stretchers to a single row of header brick. The rear wall, sheathed in wood shingles until 1990, is now covered with foil-faced insulation. The gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and punctuated by four interior brick chimneys placed near the outer edges of the two slopes. The gable ends display close eaves with shallow cornice returns. The simple offcenter entrance contains a modern glass and metal door which dates to 1990, replacing a glass and panel door which was also not original. Most of the windows contain 6/9 sash, with several 6/6 windows on the rear elevation of the main block. A single story shingled ell displaying close eaves and resting on a stone foundation extends behind the main block, ending in a single story greenhouse addition on a mortared fieldstone base.

To the north of the house is a single story structure now serving as a kennel building, remodelled from an existing c.1940 three car garage in 1990. The west side of the building is sheathed in clapboards with a single modern garage door and casement windows. The remaining elevations are covered in asphalt siding.

To the west of the kennel is a c.1940 1 1/2 story barn sheathed in asphalt siding and resting on a concrete foundation. A hip-roofed square ventilator with a flushboard base and rectangular louvered openings is centered on the asphalt gable roof which displays exposed

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rafters. Fenestration includes 3 x 2 light hinged windows, 6/6 sash and sliding double doors on the broad, east side.

North of the barn is a single story asphalt sheathed structure resting on a concrete foundation. Formerly serving as a chicken coop, the structure was later used as a workshop by Arthur Horsfall. The asphalt roof displays exposed rafters while two birdhouse cupolas punctuate the ridge. Sets of 3 x 2 windows light the structure. A dilapidated asphalt covered shed, now open to the elements, abuts the north end of the building.

West of the end of the ell is a c. 1940 stone wishing well capped by an asphalt gable roof supported by plain wooden posts. A frame run-in sheep shed is located down the hill to the south of the main house. It is thought to date to the early 20th century.

The surrounding landscape with stonewalls and lack of elaboration is integral to the complex and retains its historic functional context. The Brown-Davis-Frost House is situated on a parcel measuring 50 acres. According to local tax records 32.5 acres of the 50 acre parcel are forested, 6.9 acres consist of pasture, 6.6 acres are devoted to forage/crops and 2.1 acres are marshland.

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8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Brown-Davis-Frost Farm is notable as one of the two earliest extant brick domestic buildings in Holden and as an intact example of an established farmstead. The use of brick as a building material in the Colonial Period in this area of Massachusetts appears to be fairly rare. It is reflective of a late 18th to early 19th century dwelling which is intact displaying distinctive characteristics of the type and method of construction. The property retains architectural and historical integrity and is significant for the period beginning in the late 18th century when the dwelling was constructed to 1945, the fifty-year National Register cut-off. The property retains integrity of location, setting, design, association, materials, workmanship, and feeling. The Brown-Davis-Frost House meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places and is significant at the local level.

The Brown-Davis-Frost Farm, along with the nearby Willard-Fisk property at 123 Whitney Street, are the largest and most substantial surviving examples of early brick domestic architecture in Holden. Because of their vernacular style, these buildings are difficult to date

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visually. Although the general form of these two-and-a-half story, five-bay, center entry brick houses can be called Georgian, both are lacking any of the Classical ornamentation that typically distinguishes the style. Both houses are notable for their use of brick which was rare in the Colonial period in Central Massachusetts and their interior end chimneys appear to be early examples of double chimneys in Central Massachusetts. The two structures are the earliest known brick structures in Holden. Later brick structures, constructed during the Federal period when brick became more common, include the Lemuel Davis House (1797) at 1204 Main Street, a multi-family house at 184 High Street (c.1820) and several altered structures including the John Jefferson House (c.1800) at 1242-44 Main Street and the Drury House (1828-1832) on Brattle Street. The section of Holden which had the largest concentration of brick buildings during the early 19th century was High Street in Jefferson, known as "Brick City" during the time due to the number of brick buildings found there.

The exact date of construction of this house is not known. It is commonly thought that this house was constructed in the third quarter of the 18th century, possibly as early as 1763 by Isaiah Brown (1745-?) although, as shall be discussed, other evidence suggests that it could have been built as late as 1795 by Ethan Davis.

Isaiah Brown's father, Timothy, died in 1763 when Isaiah was eighteen years old. An early resident of Holden, Timothy Brown is listed among the signers on the bill for the incorporation of Holden in 1740 and also appears as a property owner on the earliest known tax list, dated 1743. In his will, Timothy left his eldest son, Isaiah, many household items and seventy-five acres of land. Isaiah Brown grew up on what is now Princeton Street close to where he later built a home of his own. In 1770 Isaiah married Phebe How of Princeton. Their only child, Dorothy, was born in Holden in 1773. In 1775 Phebe died at the age of twenty-five. Isaiah soon remarried, to Abigail, and together they had several children including Thomas (b.1776), Phebe (b. 1778), Nabby (b. 1780), Salla (b. 1782) and Polly (b. 1784). Brown served as a first lieutenant in Col. Doolittle's Regiment of militia which marched on April 19, 1775 on the Lexington alarm. In 1799 Isaiah Brown sold one hundred and twenty acres of land on both sides of the county road leading from Shrewsbury to Rutland "with buildings thereon" to James and Ethan Davis for \$1,373.33 (Book 135, Page 560).

Ethan Davis, Senior (1766-1837) or Squire Ethan, as he was known, was the youngest son of Capt. James Davis and apparently lived on the property for eleven years. A prominent citizen, Ethan Davis served as selectman for thirteen consecutive years, assessor three years; town treasurer for twenty-one years and state legislator for three years. Ethan married Sarah Hubbard in 1792 and had ten children, the ninth of which was born in 1810, the year in

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which Ethan Davis sold the property to Dana Frost.

Like his father, Ethan Davis was an extensive land owner, born with a propensity for trading in real estate. Among the other transactions Ethan Davis was involved in, is a purchase of what appears to be adjoining land from Lemuel Fisk, owner of the brick house at 123 Whitney Street to the north. It is interesting to note that in 1795 Ethan Davis purchased 37 acres of land from Fisk at a cost of 78 pounds (Book 259, Page 510). The deed is initially curious in that it was not witnessed until 1811 and was not recorded until 1828. In addition, the bounds of the 1799 deed refer to adjoining land already owned by Ethan and James Davis. Lastly, a separate, later deed for the property at 123 Whitney Street, raises the question of whether this 37 acre parcel was not the original site for the brick house as it mentions "land sold by the grantor (Lemuel Fisk) to Ethan Davis Esquire and since known as the Dana Frost land" (Book 460, Page 315-7). This could suggest that the 1799 Brown deed and reference to Brown's house refers to an earlier, preexisting structure which is no longer extant and that it was Davis who initially erected the brick building on the site while amassing additional acreage. It is further interesting to note that after selling 17 Whitney Street in 1810, Ethan Davis owned (and perhaps had erected) a 2 1/2 story brick house with five bay facade at the corner of Main Street and Mount Pleasant Avenue. The building was later converted into a summer hotel, the Mount Pleasant House by James Prendergast but was destroyed by fire in the 1950s.

In 1810, Dana Frost bought 135 acres of land, with the buildings thereon, from his brother-in-law, Ethan Davis, for the sum of \$2,500. In 1803 Dana Frost had married Molly Davis, the daughter of Captain James Davis and sister of Ethan Davis.

When Dana Frost conveyed the property to David Holbrook in 1833 for \$3,400 as well as in 1840 when Asa Holbrook sold to Lemuel Fisk for \$3,300, the land continued to consist of the same 135 acres on both sides of the road (Book 296, Page 338; Book 361, Page 402-3). The Fisk family owned the brick house up the road at 123 Whitney Street from 1775 to just after Lemuel Fisk's death in 1852.

By the time that Moses Wheelock, Eunice Wheelock and Eliza Fisk had sold the property to Boylston Vinton for \$1,253 in 1850, the total acreage had been decreased to about 60 acres and the property consisted of only the land on the west side of the road, known as the "Frost Farm" (Book 464, Page 36).

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The 1850 Agricultural Census indicates that in that year Vinton's farm consisted of 50 acres of improved land and 10 acres of unimproved land and was valued at \$1,250. The rather modest operation included 4 milk cows, 4 swine and raised indian corn, oats, and Irish potatoes with a limited amount of orchard production. Vinton owned the property for a little over a year, before purchasing the Lemuel Fisk farm up the road in 1852. The property was transferred two additional times in the 1850s before being sold to Dolly Howard in 1859 (Book 607, Page 369). Dolly was married to Horace Howard. She died in 1862, not yet forty nine years old, and the property was sold by the administrator of her estate, Horace Howard to George Goddard in 1863 for \$1,708 (Book 662, Page 152). The sale included a mortgage note for \$900 held by Martha A. Wilson against the estate of Dolly Howard which was to be paid from the discharges. The same year Horace Howard remarried, to Martha A. Wilson, and purchased the property back from George Goddard for \$1,308 (Book 662, Page 154).

Horace Howard and his bride continued to live on the farm until 1872 when the property was sold to James Connell (Book 868, Page 256). The following year the property was sold to Matthew Lee who purchased the farm for \$1,650 and continued to live here for nineteen years. During the subsequent ownership of James Holden, who owned the property from 1892 to 1919, the final change was made to the farm's acreage. In 1914, James Holden conveyed a portion of the northeast corner of the property to Stephan Bergin, resulting in the fifty acres which remains today (Book 2051, Page 112).

The farm went through a succession of six owners from 1919 to 1938 when Arthur Horsfall acquired the property. During the latter portion of this period the house apparently fell into considerable disrepair. The present owner, Charles Horsfall, son of Arthur, has stated that the property served as a roadhouse during the Depression with liquor stored underground in the barn. During an especially raucous Christmas one year, a workhorse is said to have fallen through the floor.

From 1938, when Arthur Horsfall purchased the property, until about 1943, the property underwent a number of changes as the Horsfalls began to reverse considerable damage, disrepair and deferred improvements. Charles Horsfall recalls there being two to four workmen on the site during much of this period. Inside, work included the introduction of plumbing, electricity and heat, exposing chestnut beams, replastering, and repairs to the woodwork. Much of this latter work was completed by several Finnish woodcarvers, the Lahti brothers who worked for Richmond T. Hamilton in Princeton. Outside, improvements included construction of a new barn, approximately on the site of an earlier barn, construction of a three car garage (converted into the present kennel building in 1991) and sheep shed.

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During Arthur Horsfall's ownership, a chicken coop was also converted into a workshop where he electrified old lamps. For some time the property was known as "Lantern House Farm". An additional chicken coop near the site of the garage/kennel is no longer extant. The greenhouse addition on the rear of the ell was also added during the Horsfalls' ownership, although Charles Horsfall indicates this might have been constructed after 1943. The nearby stone well was also constructed by the masons, George Venditti and Son of Leceister, at about the same time (Interview Charles Horsfall, 1994).

The land surrounding the house has been in agricultural use for much if not all of its history. Mr. Horsfall believes that this is the oldest continually working farm in Holden, although this could not be confirmed. The U.S. Census Agricultural Schedules indicate that the property was operating as a farm in 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880. It continued to contain sixty acres during this period and can be characterized as a modest agricultural operation raising milk cows, wheat, Indian corn, potatoes and hay, as well as small amounts of honey in 1860 and poultry in 1880.

According to Mr. Horsfall two previous owners raised cabbages and onions on the hillside, while baby chicks were raised in the attic of the house before the Horsfalls bought the property. Arthur Horsfall had a number of cows and sold milk to the Fair Brothers Dairy in Worcester while Charles Horsfall maintained both dairy and beef cows until recently. The Horsfalls presently have sixteen sheep, a horse and pig, in addition to the dog kennels.

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INTERVIEW

Charles Horsfall, 1994.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nominated property occupies Map 71, Lot 2 in the local tax assessors' records (see enclosed copies of tax maps).

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary of the nominated property is drawn to include that acreage which survives from the original parcel and which is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

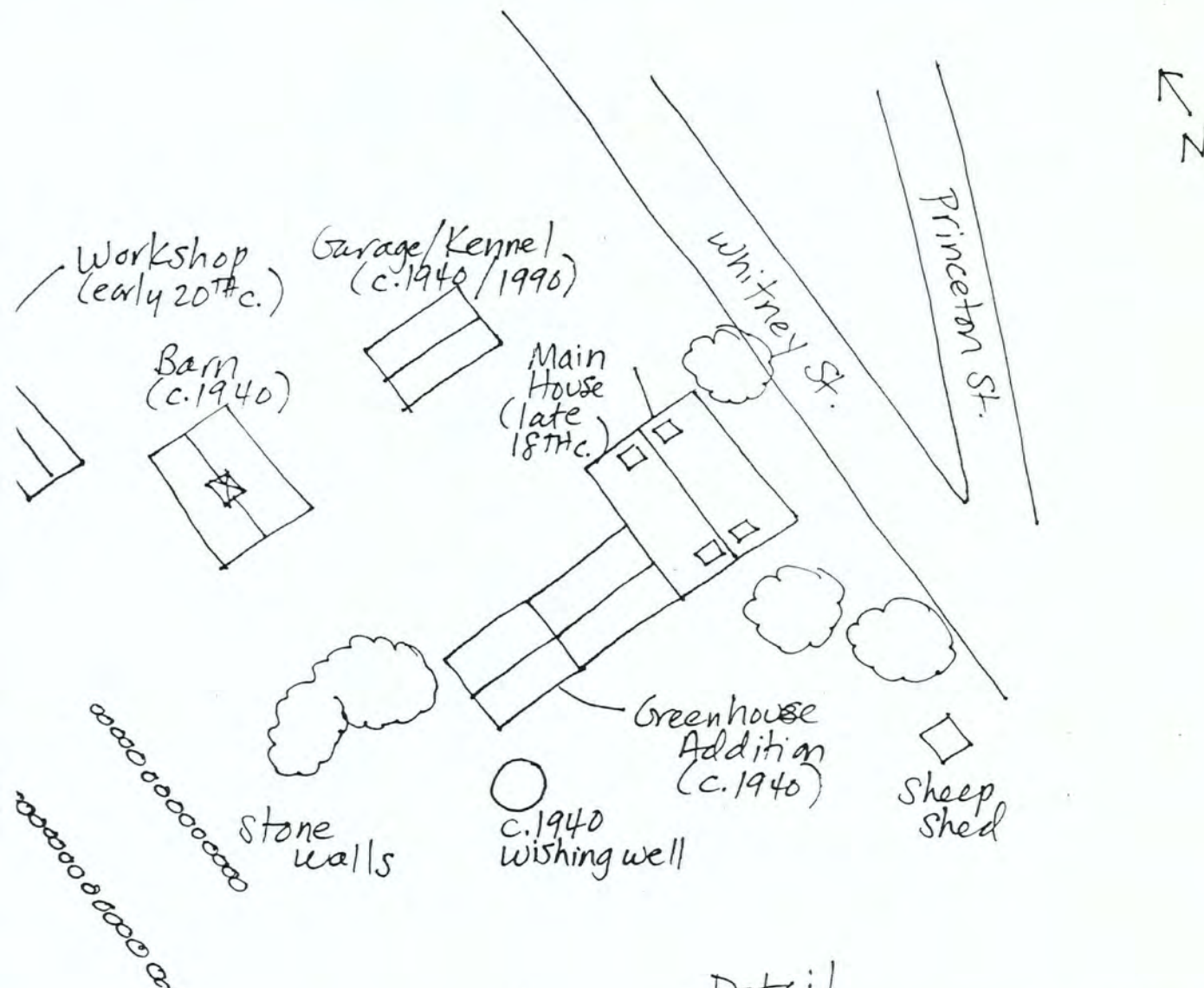
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Detail
Brown-Davis-Frost Farm
17 Whitney St.
Jefferson (Holden), Mass.

BROWN-DAVIS-FROST FARM
HOLDEN (Worcester County), MASSACHUSETTS
DISTRICT DATA SHEET

Resource	Construction date	Contrib. (C) or Non contrib. (NC)
Main house	late 18th century	C
Garage/Kennel	c.1940 (1990 alt.)	NC
Barn	c.1940	C
Workshop	early 20th c. (alt. c. 1940)	C
Sheep Shed	early 20th c.	C
Well	c. 1940	C
Stonewalls	late 18th-19th c.	C

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Brown--Davis--Frost Farm
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 11/07/95 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/22/95
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/08/95 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/22/95
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 95001444

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
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COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 12.13.95 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



Brown-Davis-Frost Farm

17 Whitney St.

Jefferson (Holden), Mass.

Photographer: Lisa Mausolf

Date: February 1994

Negative: Holden Historical Commission

Description: Facade (east) + north sides
looking southwest

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Brown-Davis-Frost Farm

17 Whitney St.

Jefferson (Holden), Mass.

Photographer: Lisa Mausolf

Date: February 1994

Negative: Holden Historical Commission

Description: North and rear (west) elevations
looking east-southeast

PHOTO 2 OF 4



Brown-Davis-Frost Farm
17 Whitney St.
Jefferson (Holden), Mass.
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf
Date: February 1994

Negative: Holden Historical Commission
Description: Rear of house with greenhouse
addition and well in foreground
looking northeast

PHOTO 3 OF 4



Brown-Davis-Frost Farm

17 Whitney St.

Jefferson (Holden), Mass.

Photographer: Lisa Mausolf

Date: February 1994

Negative: Holden Historical Commission

Description: Barn and garage/kennel
looking northwest

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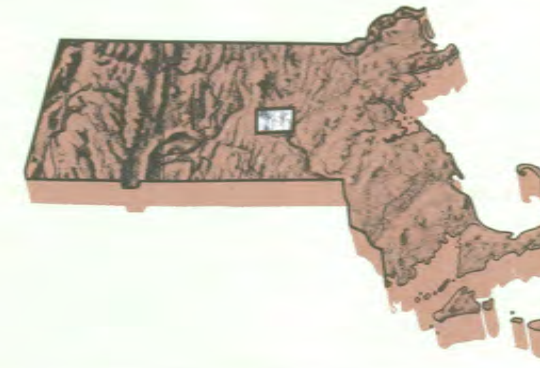


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Worcester North

MASSACHUSETTS

1:25 000-scale metric topographic map



7.5 X 15 MINUTE QUADRANGLE SHOWING

- Contours and elevations in meters
- Highways, roads and other manmade structures
- Water features
- Woodland areas
- Geographic names



GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

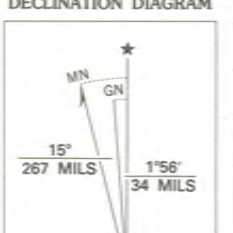
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10,000-foot grid ticks based on Massachusetts coordinate system, mainland zone, 1927 North American Datum
To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983 move the projection lines 6 meters south and 40 meters west as shown by dashed corner ticks
There may be private holdings within the boundaries of the National or State reservations shown on this map

CONTOUR INTERVAL 3 METERS
NATIONAL GEODETIC DATUM OF 1929
CONTROL ELEVATIONS SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 0.1 METER
OTHER ELEVATIONS SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 0.3 METER

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS

CONVERSION TABLE		DECLINATION DIAGRAM	ADJOINING MAPS		
Meters	Feet		1	2	3
1	3.2808		1	2	3
2	6.5617		4	5	
3	9.8425		6	7	
4	13.1234		8		
5	16.4042				
6	19.6850				
7	22.9658				
8	26.2467				
9	29.5275				
10	32.8084				

To convert meters to feet multiply by 3.2808
To convert feet to meters multiply by 0.3048

UTM grid convergence (GN) and 1983 magnetic declination (MD) Diagram is approximate

1	2	3
1 Barre	2 Sterling	3 North Brookfield
4 Middlebury	5 Warren	6 Worcester South
7 Milford		

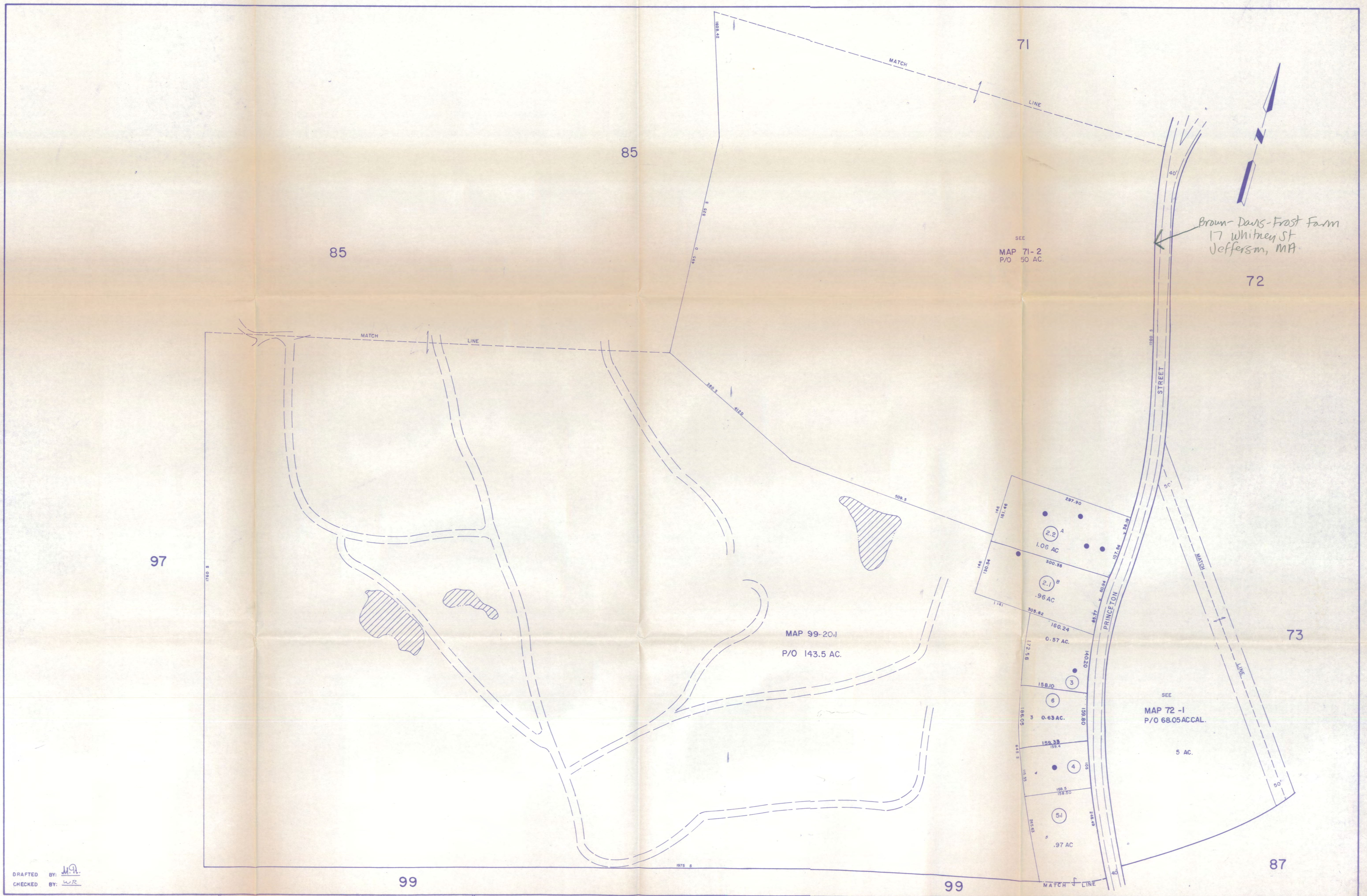
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Topographic Map Symbols

Primary highway, hard surface	
Secondary highway, hard surface	
Light-duty road, hard or improved surface	
Unimproved road, trail	
Route marker, Interstate U.S. State	
Railroad: standard gage; narrow gage	
Bridge: drawbridge	
Footbridge; overpass; underpass	
Railroad area: only selected landmark buildings shown	
House; barn; church; school; large structure	
Boundary:	
National, with monument	
State	
County, parish	
Civil township, precinct, district	
Incorporated city, village, town	
National or State reservation; small park	
Land grant with monument; found section corner	
U.S. public lands survey: range, township; section	
Range, township; section line: location approximate	
Fence or field line	
Power transmission line, located tower	
Dam; dam with lock	
Cemetery; grave	
Campground; picnic area; U.S. National monument	
Windmill; water well; spring	
Mine shaft; prospect; adit or cave	
Control: horizontal station; vertical station; spot elevation	
Contours: index; intermediate; supplementary; depression	
Disturbed surface: strip mine, lava, sand	
Bathymetric contours: index; intermediate	
Perennial lake and stream; intermittent lake and stream	
Rapids, large and small; lake, large and small	
Submerged marsh; marsh, swamp	
Land subject to controlled inundation; woodland	
Scrub; mangrove	
Orchard; vineyard	

SCALE 1:25 000
1 CENTIMETER ON THE MAP REPRESENTS 250 METERS ON THE GROUND
CONTOUR INTERVAL 3 METERS

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Legend

Property line	---	Deed lot number	15
Original lot line	---	Parcel number (in circle)	29
Right of way line	---	Dwelling	•
Edge of pavement or roadway	---	Railroad	---
Trunk sewer line	---	Scaled dimension	S
City line	---	Deed dimension	D
Town line	---	Original block number	36
Aqueduct line	---	Calculated area	CAL
Stream	---		

Revisions

1	11-2-79	9	17
2	12-27-83 U.J.D.	10	18
3	1-7-85 U.J.D.	11	19
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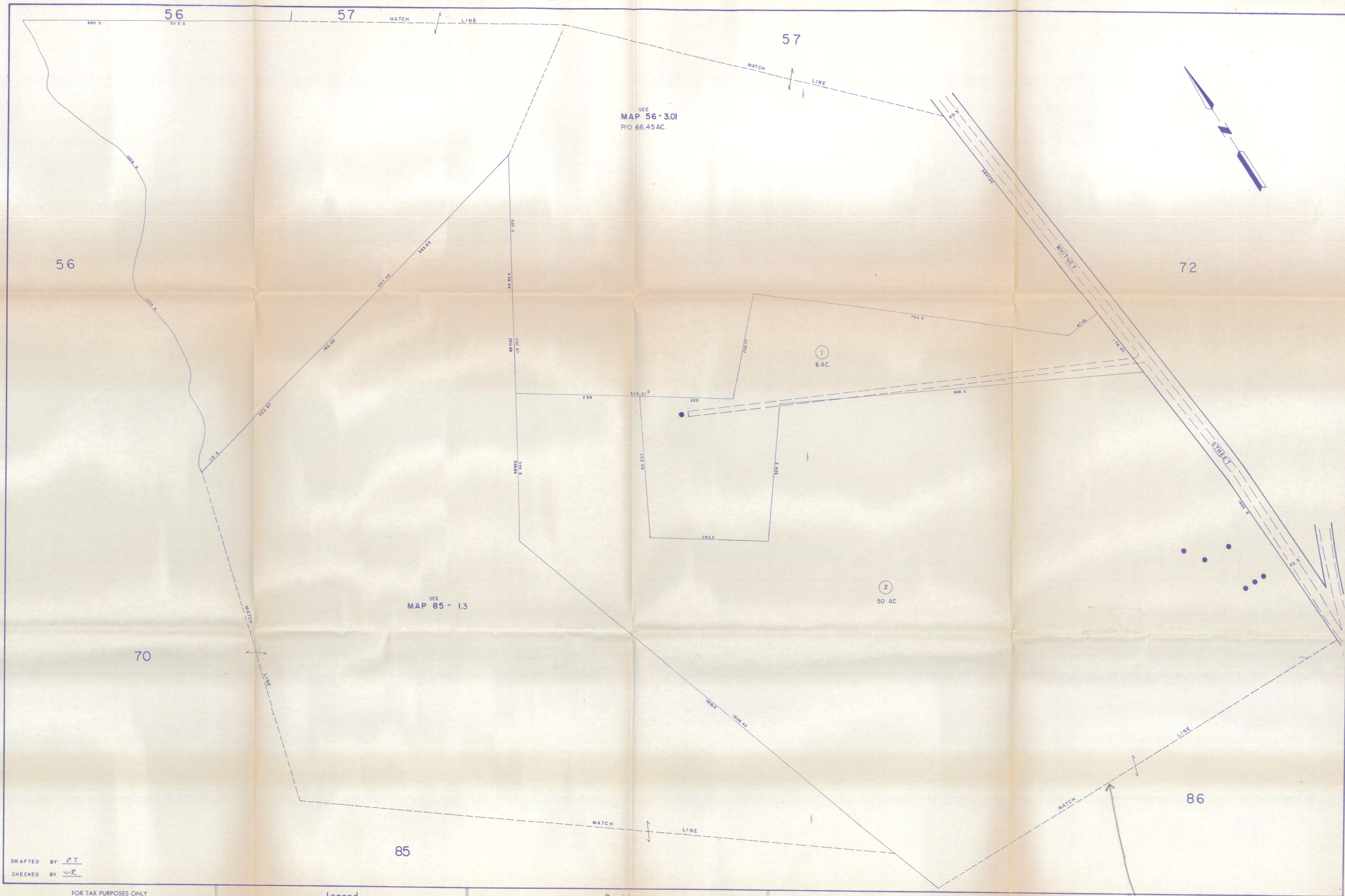
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Legend	
Property line	---
Original lot line	---
Right of way line	---
Edge of pavement or roadway	---
Trunk sewer line	---
City line	---
Town line	---
Aqueduct line	---
Stream	---
Deed lot number	75
Parcel number (in circle)	99
Dwelling	•
Railroad	---
Scaled dimension	S
Deed dimension	D
Original block number	36
Calculated area	CAL

Revisions			
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2		10	18
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Brown-Davis-Frost Farm
 17 Whitney St., Jefferson, Mass.

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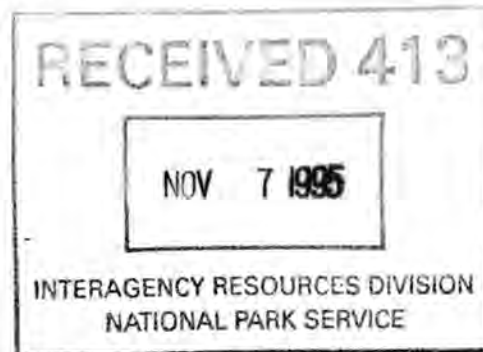


The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission**

November 2, 1995

Ms. Carol Shull
National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
National Park Service
P. O. Box 37127
Washington, D. C. 20013-7127



Dear Ms. Shull,

Enclosed please find the following nomination form:

Brown-Davis-Frost Farm, 17 Whitney Street, Holden (Worcester County),
Massachusetts 01522

The nomination has been voted eligible by the State Review Board and has been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. The owners of the property within the district were notified of pending State Review Board consideration 30 to 75 days before the meeting and were afforded the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betsy Friedberg".

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Susan Ceccacci, Chairperson, Holden Historical Commission
Robert V. Johnson, Chairperson, Holden Board of Selectmen
Charles and Barbara Horsfall, 17 Whitney Street, Holden
Janet Baker, Head Librarian, Holden Public Library
Lisa Mausolf, Preservation Consultant

Enclosure