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The attached property, the Morrison Plantation Smokehouse, in Hot Springs County, Arkansas, reference number 77000254, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places by the Keeper of the National Register on 12-28-1977, as evidenced by the FEDERAL REGISTER/WEEKLY LIST notice of Tuesday, February 7, 1978, Part II, Vol. 43, No. 26, page 5170. The attached nomination form is a copy of the original documentation provided to the Keeper at the time of listing.

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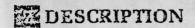
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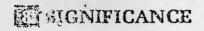
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The old smokehouse stands now to the rear of a later dwelling, its unusual plan shape and silhouette form a sharp contrast with the simpler, more modern of the house.



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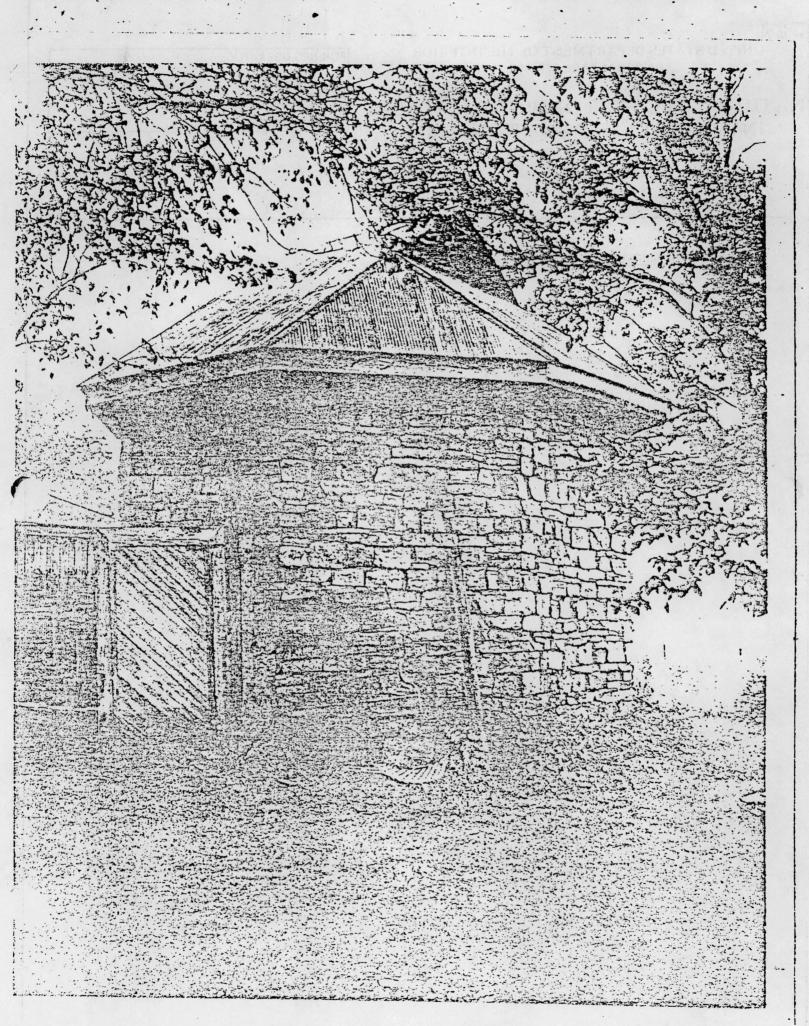
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OWNERSHIP _PUBLIC X PRIVATE

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PUBLIC ACQUISITION _IN PROCESS

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STATUS X_OCCUPIED .

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ACCESSIBLE X_YES RESTRICTED

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PRESENT USE

XAGRICULTURE __MUSEUM PARK

_COMMERCIAL _EDUCATIONAL _PRIVATE RESIDENCE

_ENTERTAINMENT _RELIGIOUS _GOVERNMENT _SCIENTIFIC

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MOWNER OF PROPERTY

Mr. Fay Hempstead McMillan

STREET & NUMBER Post Office Box 54

CITY, TOWN Malvern

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LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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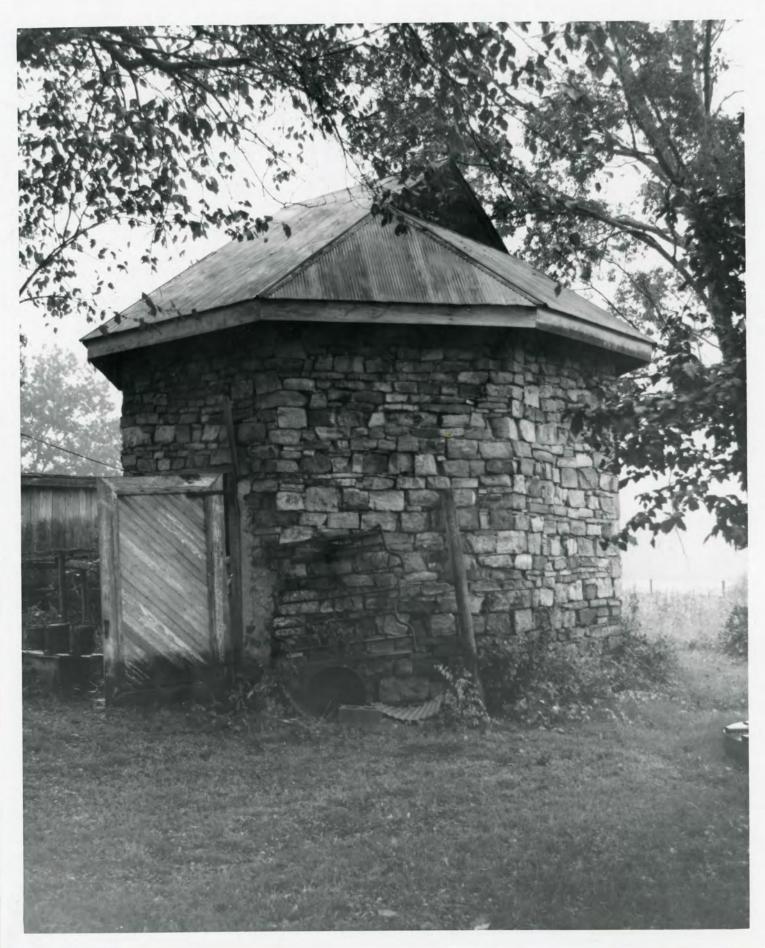
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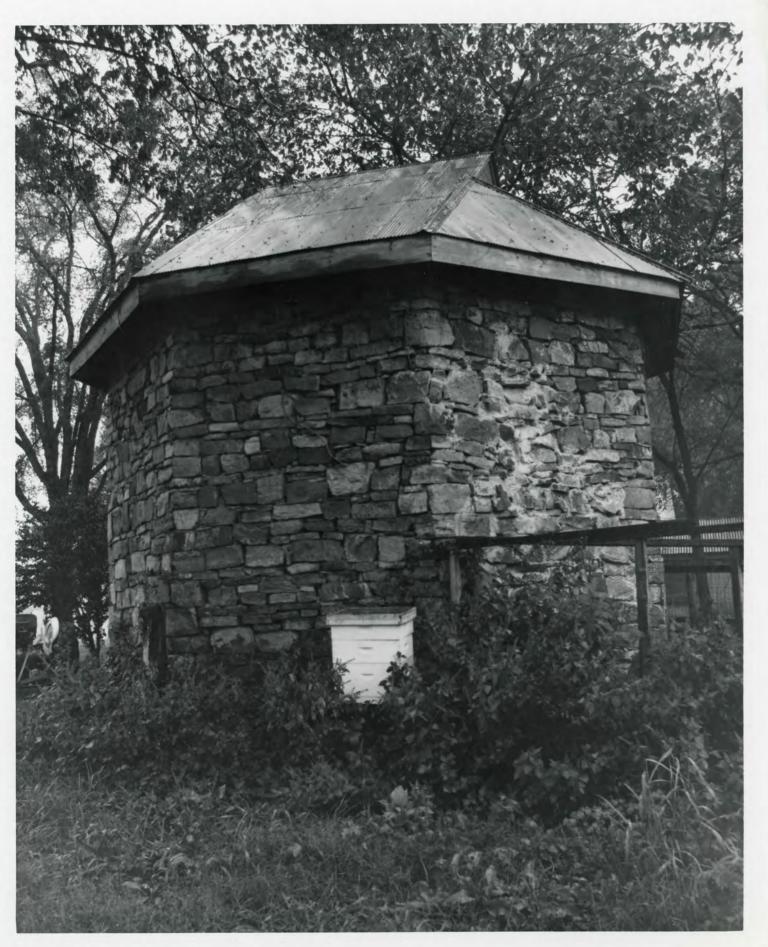
4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET northwest elevation, featuring door, viewed from the northwest

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES PROPERTY MAP FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS

TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- ENCLOSE WITH MAP

1 NAME

HISTORIC Morrison Plantation Smokehouse

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

CITY, TOWN Saginaw

X_VICINITY OF

COUNTY Hot Spring

STATE Arkansas

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE U.S.G.S., Malvern Quadrangle

SCALE 1:62,500

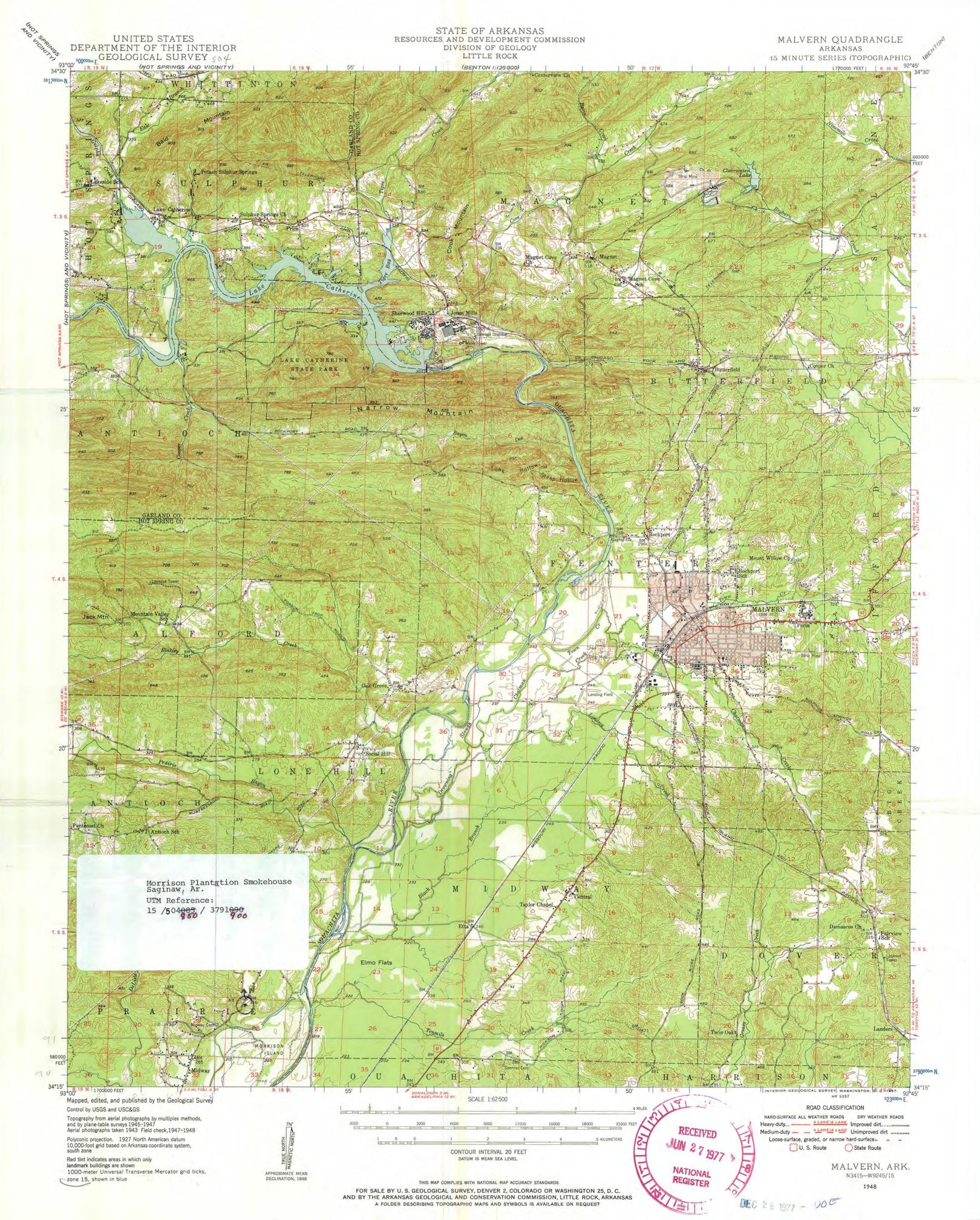
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4 REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

- 1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
- 2. NORTH ARROW
- 3. UTM REFERENCES

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Missing Core Documentation

Property Name Morrison Plantation Smokehouse	County, State Hot Spring County, Arkansas	Reference Number 77000254
The following Core Documer	ntation is missing	from this entry:
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Photographs		V
USGS Map		