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INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Centre Village Historic District

AND/OR COMMON

Downtown Southbridge Historic District

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Multiple (see Continuation Sheets)

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Southbridge

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Second

STATE

Massachusetts

VICINITY OF

CODE
025

COUNTY

Worcester

CODE

027

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☒ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☒ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☒ COMMERCIAL☒ PARK☒ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☒ RELIGIOUS☒ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Multiple - see Continuation Sheet

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Southbridge, Massachusetts

STATE

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Worcester District Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Worcester,

STATE

Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE

1978

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

— EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
— FAIR

— DETERIORATED
— RUINS
— UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

— UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
— MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Centre Village Historic District is located in the downtown business district of Southbridge and extends along Main Street for four-tenths of a mile. It includes thirty-one buildings, a small park and the oldest portion of the town cemetery. The resources range from the wood frame houses of former town leaders at the southeastern end, to imposing civic and church buildings, to three and four story brick commercial structures. The Italianate and Second Empire styles predominate and provide visual unity. Many of the former residences have been sensitively adapted for commercial or other usage. The only post-1929 intrusions are Mario's Restaurant (A), the Telephone Building (B), and the Southbridge Savings Bank addition (C) which is constructed of red brick and harmonizes in scale with the rest of the district. Some of the more significant properties are described below:

The Universalist Church (#2) is a wood frame Greek Revival structure constructed c. 1840. Its gable end which is treated as a pediment is supported by two fluted Doric columns and flanking paired, paneled pilasters. This structure has a truncated tower, with paneled corner pilasters once the base of the original steeple which was lost in a hurricane in 1938.

The Whitford Building (#3) which occupies the curved corner of Main and Hamilton Streets was constructed c. 1870 in the Second Empire style. Significant design elements consist of round and segmentally arched windows, a bracketed cornice and Mansard roof lit by round arched dormers. The ground floor of this three story building has been altered.

The Ammidown Building (#12 - photo #1), is also a three story with Mansard Second Empire structure constructed c. 1870. It is constructed of brick and has windows with granite lintels and alternating brick and granite voisseurs. The upper two stories are united by a blind arcade which helps to define the bays. The overhanging cornice is supported by prominent carved brackets.

The Central Baptist Church (#14 - photo #1), is a brick structure built in 1866 in the Italianate style. Its projecting entrance tower has a slate clad steeple which at 80 feet is the tallest structure in the area. The town clock is located at the junction of the belfrey and the steeple.

The Jacob Edwards Memorial Library (#15), The Southbridge Post Office (#25), and the Worcester County National Bank (#26) were all built between 1914 and 1929 and provide a sense of architectural unity to the center of the district. All are freestanding brick buildings which are Georgian Revival in style. The Post Office and Bank were both designed by Daniel Burnham of Chicago.

The Dresser House (#20), was built between 1826 and 1832 for Ebenezer Ammidown in the late Federal style. It is constructed of red brick, now painted white, and sits on a granite foundation. It is five bays in width and has a recessed center entrance with side lights and a semi-circular fan. There are bridged double end chimneys and a metal balustrade. A central belvedere with a projecting bracketed cornice was added in the 1870's.

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Owner of Property

<u>MAP#</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>OWNER</u>
1	Just Jeans Store	Martin Realty of Auburn Inc Kelly Road Auburn, Ma. 01501
2	Universalist Church	Raymond L. Brousseau 85 Cole Ave. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
3	Whitford Building	Croce R. DiGregorio P.O. Box 443 Southbridge, Ma 01550
4	Hotel Newman	Joseph P. Boniface 340 Main St. Southbridge, Ma 01550
5.	Phelps Building	George I. and Tharsile Mathieu 334 Main St Southbridge, Ma. 01550
6	Columbia Hotel	Warren McGarth 328 Main St. Southbridge, Ma 01550
7	Goodwin's Store	Arnold E. and Marilyn Goodwin 322 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
8	Public Finance-Boston Gas	Richard O. and Norma Perron 107 South St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
9	Costa Block	Robert and Erma Lataille 192 Everett St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
10	Hartwell Pharmacy	Pedi Realty P.O. 644 Southbridge, Ma. 01550
11.	Mario's Restaurant	Mario Piccione 274 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
12	Amidown Building	Ben-Al Realty Trust 264 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
13	Southbridge Police Station	Town of Southbridge 41 Elm St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
14	Central Baptist Church	First Baptist Society Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
15	Jacob Edwards Memorial Library	Town of Southbridge 236 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
16	Swiacki Realty Building	Bay Path Development Corp. 55 Linden St. Worcester, Ma. 01609

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CENTRE VILLAGE

<u>MAP#</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CWNER</u>
17	Telephone Building	New England Telephone 39 Elm St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
18	Mass. Electric Co. Building	Mass. Electric Co. 176 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
19	Dresser Park	Town of Southbridge 41 Elm St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
20	Quinebaug Valley Cultural Center	Quinebaug Valley Council for the Arts and Humanities, Inc. 111 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
20B	R. D. Wells Residence	Ruth D. Wells 113 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
21	Oak Ridge Cemetary	Town of Southbridge 41 Elm St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
22	Residence- 141 Main St.	Estate of William Swiacki Worcester County National Bank 249 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
23	Elks Club	Elks Club 155 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
24	Southbridge Credit Union	Southbridge Credit Union 205 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
25	Southbridge Post Office	U. S. Postal Service 235 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
26	Worcester County National Bank	Worcester County National Bank 249 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
27	Southbridge Savings Bank	Southbridge Savings Bank 253 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
28	Blanchard Building	Martin Realty of Auburn, Inc. Kelly Road Auburn, Ma. 01501
29	Edwards Building	A. J. Deterandro Trust 245 Lebanon Hill Southbridge, Ma. 01550
30	Centre Pharmacy- Dresser Opera House	R. C. Caparso 309 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
31	Robbins Store	Sylvia Starr, et. al. 321 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550

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CENTRAL VILLAGE

MAP#	NAME	OWNER
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29	Adwards Building	A. J. Deterandro Trust 245 Lebanon Hill Southbridge, Ma. 01550
30	Centre Pharmacy - Dresser Opera House	R. C. Caspario 309 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550
31	Hobbs Store	Sylvia Starr, et. al. 321 Main St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550

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CENTRE VILLAGE

<u>MAP#</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>OWNER</u>
32	Barnes Building	Marvin W. Kushner Trustee of Main St. Realty Trust 677 Beacon St. Boston, Ma. 02215
33	Puritan Clothing	Dimitri Metro, et.al. 219 South St. Southbridge, Ma. 01550



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describes the general situation
and the objectives of the study.
It also mentions the scope of the
work and the methods used for data
collection and analysis.

2. The second part of the document
presents the results of the study
and discusses the findings in detail.

3. The third part of the document
concludes the study and provides
recommendations for future work.

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The Southbridge Credit Union (#24 - photo #5) is a two story, wood frame, Second Empire structure. It is three bays in width with a projecting central pavillion and an open vestibule. Windows have projecting lintels on the first floor and segmentally arched frames on the second.

The Edwards Building (#29 - photo #4) is a three story brick Italianate building constructed in 1852. Design elements consist of quoins, an arcade linking the second and third stories and a bracketed, gabled roofline added in 1859. The groundfloor treatment has been entirely altered.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☒ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☒ 1800-1899	☒ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☒ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Centre Village Historic District retains integrity of design, setting, materials and workmanship and is significant both as the center of Southbridge's commercial development and as the home of the town's major political and commercial leaders. It is a visually cohesive area with few intrusions or alterations other than two ground floor store fronts. The urban character of the Centre Village is also unique in the vicinity surrounding Southbridge.

The Southbridge area was first settled in 1730 when a group of people from Medford were granted the land between Oxford and Brimfield by the Massachusetts General Court. It developed slowly during the eighteenth century with agriculture as its economic mainstay and the towns of Sturbridge, Charlton and Dudley were gradually established as the population grew. Their present rural character is reflective of their development. The urban character of Southbridge is reflective of a very different impetus for development. During the eighteenth century a number of saw and grist mills were established along the Quinebaug River. One of the major ones was located near the present Centre Village where a meetinghouse (on the site of the present Central Baptist Church #14) and a cemetery (#21) had already been established. As the mills expanded pressure grew to create another town, and in 1816 Southbridge was finally incorporated taking sections of Sturbridge and Charlton. At that time there were three major mill sites in the town which expanded rapidly during the nineteenth century manned by immigrants from Ireland, Italy and finally Poland. The population figures for the period (830 in 1816 and 10,000 in 1900) reflect the rapid growth of Southbridge and help to explain the urban character of the Centre Village. Many of the mills produced textiles, but one of the major employers was the American Optical Company. The present Massachusetts Electric Company Building (#18) is a converted wood frame residence built c. 1895 for members of the Wells family who were the owners of American Optical, the largest optical plant in the world.

Two of the most important families responsible for the development of Southbridge were the Edwards and the Ammidowns. The four Edwards brothers, Jacob, John, William and S.K., were merchants, and responsible for the construction of many of the commercial buildings on Main Street. John and William were responsible for the 1852 Edwards Building (#29) which was one of the first department stores in the country. William also owned the Blanchard Building (#28) which was opened as a hotel in 1860 and later used as a theater. The Robbins Store (#31) was built by S.K. Edwards in 1878 and enlarged in 1887. The present Southbridge Credit Union (#24) was built as the home of John Edwards in 1880 and later served as the home of Congressman Calvin A. Page. It was sensitively adapted for use as a bank in 1972. Finally, the Jacob Edwards Memorial Library (#5) was erected in 1914 from the estate of Jacob Edwards, Jr.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Southbridge Historical Commission, "A Walk Through the 'Centre Village' in Southbridge," The Evening News. Published by The Evening News, Southbridge, Massachusetts, October 1978. With architectural comments

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY app. 24 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Southbridge

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 7451710 46622910

B 18 7452510 46623610

C 18 745940 4662080

D 18 7456210 46616510

E 18 745940 4662080

F 18 7456210 46616510

G 18 745940 4662080

H 18 7456210 46616510

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please refer to the attached assessor's map

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

with William J. Trifone,
Southbridge Historical Commission

Candace Jenkins, National Register Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

May, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

294 Washington Street

TELEPHONE

(617) 727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

Boston,

STATE

Massachusetts 02108

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ☐

STATE ☐

LOCAL ☒

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Patricia L. Westbrook

6/25/79

TITLE

Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

for Charles Shull

DATE

9-7-79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Margaret Aubrey

DATE

9/6/79

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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The Ammidowns also had a significant impact on the present appearance of the Center Village. Ebenezer Ammidown organized four textile mills, served as the first president of the Southbridge Savings Bank, was a member of both Massachusetts legislative bodies and served as County Commissioner and Judge. He was also a railroad expert who advised the building of South Station in Boston and suggested the route the rail line should take. He lived in what now serves as the Quinebaug Valley Cultural Center (#20), a fine late Federal mansion which was known as Ammidown's Castle. Holmes Ammidown was a merchant and hotel proprietor. He constructed the Ammidown Building (#12) in 1872. A leader in local education, he specified that the second floor be used as a library. This building was once matched in scale and design by the Masonic Building which stood on the now vacant lot at the corner of Central Street.

A few architects have been identified who worked in the district. The Ammidown and Masonic Buildings which were two of the most elaborate Second Empire structures are believed to have been designed by Amos Cutting of Worcester. The mason was C.C. Carpenter and the carpenter was Leonard Cutler. The Hartwell Pharmacy (#10) was designed by George Pople of Boston in 1866 and has served continuously as a pharmacy ever since. The mason was W.B. Potter and the carpenter was Leonard Cutler. Only the finest materials were used with red brick from the local yard of Potter and Dresser, granite from Charlton and soapstone from Springfield. The Jacob Edwards Memorial Library (#15) and the Worcester County National Bank (#26) were designed by the nationally renowned Daniel H. Burnham of Chicago in the Georgian Revival style of which he was a proponent.

While Southbridge's major period of development and significance was the nineteenth century, it continues to be a vital and progressive community. The Whitford Building (#3) was selected by the Department of Community Affairs in 1978 as one of their pilot statewide building reuse projects. The Southbridge Historical Commission received a \$1000 grant in 1979 from the National Trust for Historic Preservation to hire a consultant to advise on Phase II of a Main Street revitalization project, and the community has been selected as an all American city.

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Crosbie, John, President of the Southbridge Historical Society, interview on April 27, 1978.

Curtis, John O., Ammidown-Dresser House, architectural study by the Director Curatorial Dept., Old Sturbridge Village, March 6, 1978.

The Southbridge National Bank Through 100 Years. March 1938, Southbridge.

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Boundary Justification

The Centre Village Historic District includes the town's major commercial buildings at its northwestern end, its public buildings at the center, and a few domestic buildings, associated with important town figures, at its southeastern end. The nomination is confined to Main St. as the side streets were either not developed with the same type and quality of building or have undergone heavy alteration.

MAP KEY

Continuation Sheet #1Centre Village2. Location

<u>#</u>	<u>Main Street</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Construction</u>
1	372	Just Jeans Store	1840's
2	368	Universalist Church	1841
3	344-348	Whitford Building	1870
4	338	Hotel Newman	1907
5	334	Phelps Building	1914
6	328	Columbia Hotel	1900
7	322	Goodwin's Store	1867
8	312	Public Finance - Bostongas	pre-1870
9	300	Costa Block	1850-70
10	296	Hartwell Pharmacy	1867
11	274	Mario's Restaurant	1977
12	264-270	Ammidown Building	1872
13	260	Southbridge Police Station	1910's
14	Main at Foster	Central Baptist Church	1866
15	236	Jacob Edwards Memorial Library	1914
16	222	Swiacki Realty Building	1860's
17	202	Telephone Building	1951
18	176	Massachusetts Electric Company	1895-1900
19	Main at Walnut	Dresser Park	given 1950 and 1951
20	111	Quinebaug Valley Cultural Center (formerly the Dresser House) (20A Barn, same date)	1826-1832
21	Between 111 and 141	Oak Ridge Cemetery	1st acre given in 1801
22	141	(residential)	1840's

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Central Village

Continuation Sheet #1

<u>Base of Construction</u>		<u>S. Location</u>		<u>Main Street</u>		<u>Name</u>	
1840's				372	1	Just Jeans Store	
1841				368	2	Universalist Church	
1870				344-348	3	Whitford Building	
1907				338	4	Hotel Newman	
1914				334	5	Phelps Building	
1900				328	6	Columbia Hotel	
1867				322	7	Goodwin's Store	
pre-1870				312	8	Public Finance - Bostonians	
1850-70				300	9	Costa Block	
1867				296	10	Hartwell Pharmacy	
1977				294	11	Mario's Restaurant	
1892				284-290	12	Amidown Building	
1910's				280	13	Southbridge Police Station	
1886					14	General Baptist Church	Main at Foster
1914				236	15	Saob Edwards Memorial Library	
1860's				222	16	Swackl Hewley Building	
1921				202	17	Telephone Building	
1892-1900				176	18	Massachusetts Electric Company	
given 1950 and 1951					19	Dresser Park	Main at Walnut
1826-1872				111	20	Quineburg Valley Cultural Center (formerly the Dresser House)	
1801					21	(20A Barn, same date)	Between 111 and 141
1840's				141	22	Oak Ridge Cemetery (residential)	

Continuation Sheet #2Centre Village2. Location (continued)

<u>#</u>	<u>Main Street</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Construction Date</u>
23	155	The Elks Club	1830-1843
24	205	Southbridge Credit Union	1880
25	235	Southbridge Post Office	1928
26	249	Worcester County National Bank	1929
27	253-257	Southbridge Savings Bank--A --B	1887 1978
28	289-291	Blanchard Building	1860
29	301 303	Edwards Building--A --B	1859 1852
30	309	Centre Pharmacy-Dresser Opera House	1860-1875
31	321 323	Robbins Store	1878 1882
32	327-331	Barnes Building	1868-1871
33	333-337	Puritan Clothing--A --B	1920 1870



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Property Centre Village Historic District

State Mass. (Worcester) Working Number 7.6.79.1623

TECHNICAL

Photos 5
Maps 1/1

CONTROL

OK 7.9.79

Very intact and attractive main street district which includes Southbridge public buildings, major commercial buildings, and some residences associated with persons historically important in Southbridge political and commercial life.

HISTORIAN

Accept 9/6/79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
On Aug 9/5/79

AC

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

Federal Register Entry

10-2-79

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Centre Village Historic District
Southbridge, Massachusetts
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Photo #1

Looking North: Building #'s 11, 12 & 14

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GOODWIN'S

RED MEN'S
HALL

PUBLIC
FINANCE
LOANS

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Photo #2
Looking North: Building #'s 5, 6 & 7

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5 PHELPS BLDG.
6 COLUMBIA
7 GOODWIN BLDG.



ARMY SURPLUS STORE

CENTRE
Rexall
PHARMACY

DISCOUNT READY AID CENTRE Pharmacy PRESCRIPTIONS

WATCHES GAY'S DIAMONDS

Worcester Co,

Centre Village Historic District
Southbridge, Massachusetts
Studio I
Hamilton Street, Southbridge

Photo #3
Looking South at #30 Centre Pharmacy

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30 CENTRE PHARMACY



EDWARDS

Kouri Edwards

ARMED FORCES
RECRUITING CENTER

ARMY SURPLUS STORE

DISCOUNT
CENT

Worcester Co.

Centre Village Historic District
Southbridge, Massachusetts
Studio I
Hamilton Street, Southbridge

Photo #4
Looking West:: #29 Edwards Building (A&B)

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29 EDWARDS BLDG.



Worcester Co.

Centre Village Historic District
Southbridge, Massachusetts
Studio I
Hamilton Street, Southbridge

Photo #5
Looking South: #24, Southbridge Credit
Union

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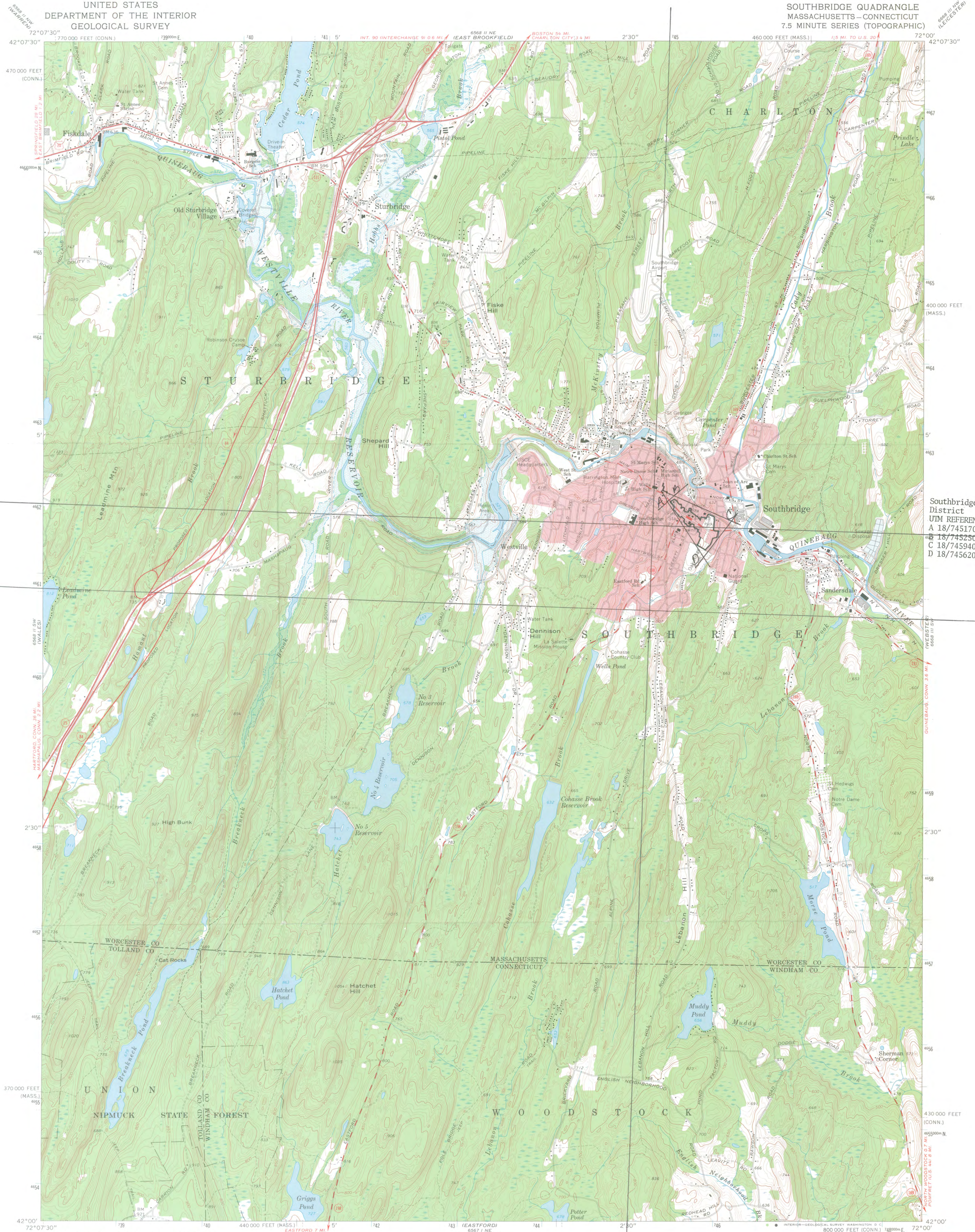
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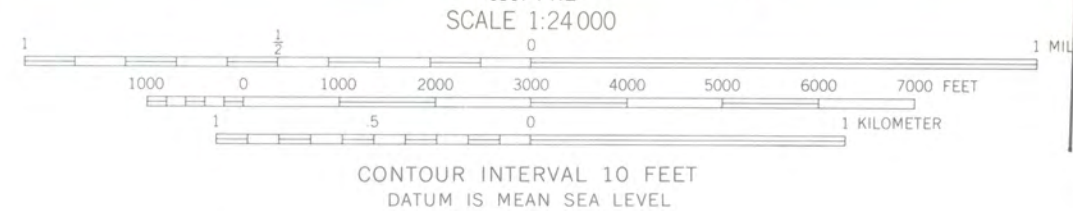


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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Massachusetts coordinate system,
mainland zone, and Connecticut coordinate system
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue

Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Area covered by dashed light-blue pattern is subject to
controlled inundation



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway, all weather, hard surface
Secondary highway, all weather, hard surface
Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface
Unimproved road, fair or poor weather
Interstate Route
U. S. Route
State Route

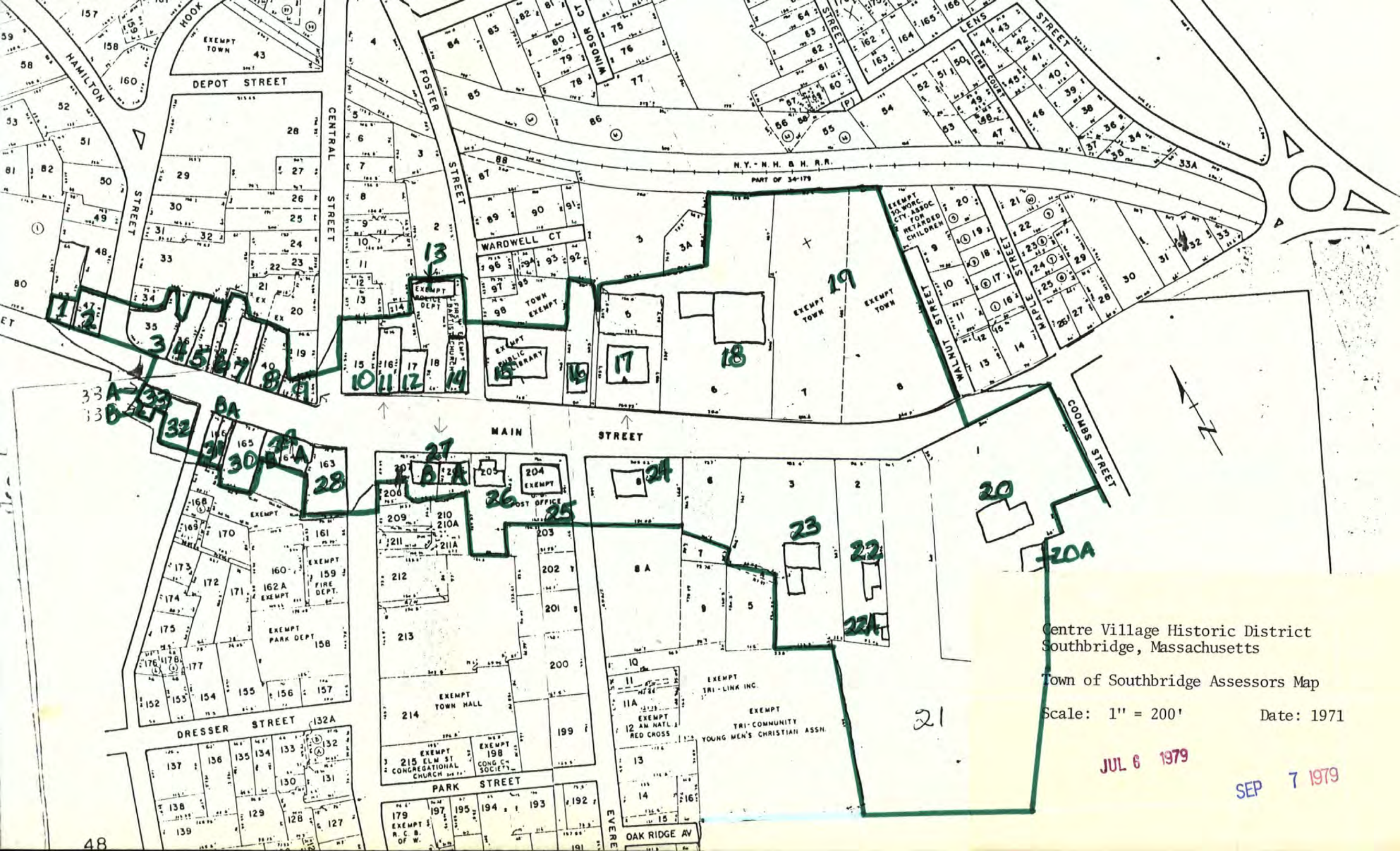
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Centre Village Historic District
Southbridge, Massachusetts

Town of Southbridge Assessors Map

Scale: 1" = 200'

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June 25, 1979

Mr. Ronald Greenberg, Acting Chief
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OAHF, Heritage, Conservation &
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440 G Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20243



Dear Mr. Greenberg:

Enclosed you will find the following nomination forms:

- BOSTON - Arthur J. Lynn (Schooner)
- HANOVER - Stetson House
- LAWRENCE - Downtown Lawrence Historic District
- LYNN - Lynn Armory
- LYNN - St. Stephen's Church
- SOUTHBRIDGE - Center Village Historic District

All have been voted eligible by the State Review Board and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Sincerely,

Christine Boulding

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Survey Director

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Encl:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Stetson House	Hanover Plymouth County
Centre Village Historic District	Southbridge Worcester County
St. Stephen's Memorial Church	Lynn Essex County
Lynn Armory	Lynn Essex County

Also Notified

Honorable Paul G. Tsongas

Honorable Edward M. Kennedy
Honorable Gerry E. Studds
Honorable Edward P. Boland
Honorable Nicholas Mavroules

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