

**United States Department of the Interior  
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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 Paddock Farm

other names/site number N/A

**2. Location**

street & number 259 Salisbury Street N/A not for publication

city or town Holden N/A vicinity

state Massachusetts code MA county Worcester code 027 zip code 01520

**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*

1/17/96

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

*Carlson R. Beall*

2/28/96

Entered in the National Register

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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	
2	3	buildings
		sites
1		structures
		objects
3	3	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

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions)

GREEK REVIVAL

**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation granite

walls weatherboard

roof asphalt

other

**Narrative Description**

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

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### 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.)

### 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 # \_\_\_\_\_

#### Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

#### Period of Significance

ca. 1780 - 1945

#### Significant Dates

ca. 1780

ca. 1840

#### Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

#### Cultural Affiliation

N/A

#### Architect/Builder

Unknown

#### Primary location of additional data:

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

Name of repository:

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Owner: Damon Memorial Library

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 5.93 acres

### UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

1. 19	265260	4690560	3.		
Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
2.			4.		
Zone	Easting	Northing	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

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### 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 Bonnie & Wayne Prescott

street & number 259 Salisbury Street telephone (508) 829-3739

city or town Holden state MA zip code 01520

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### 7. DESCRIPTION

The main house of the Paddock Farm, Holden, is a 1 1/2 story frame structure displaying vernacular elements of the Federal and Greek Revival styles. The center-entry main house and ell are sheathed in clapboards and rest on a granite block foundation. Additional attached sheds of varying ages and a large attached barn rebuilt in 1953 further enlarge the footprint of the structure. A boathouse is located northwest of the house, in close proximity to Dawson Pond which forms the northern boundary of the property. The house fronts east on Salisbury Street, a heavily traveled road leading to Worcester. To the south of the house is a large open field, formerly serving as pasture. Much of the land behind the main house is seasonally wet and covered in second growth. The property is in excellent condition and retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association.

The main house of the complex is a 1 1/2 story, 5-bay, double-pile structure set back approximately 50 feet from Salisbury Street. The clapboarded structure is capped by a gable roof sheathed in asphalt shingles and punctuated by two interior brick chimneys. Fronted by a granite step, the center entrance contains a six panel door and is flanked by thin, partial sidelights. The Greek Revival style surround displays architrave moldings, cornerblocks and a rectangular panel centered above the door. Windows on the first floor of the facade contain 6/6 doublehung sash while inserted in the kneewall above are small 3/3 windows. All of the windows display plain surrounds and slip sills and are flanked by wooden blinds. A wide wooden watertable, plain cornerboards and frieze outline the structure. The lateral eaves display a boxed cornice which forms shallow returns displaying a cyma recta profile on the gable ends. Both the north and south ends measure two bays wide with identical windows on both the first and second floors.

Extending behind the main house is a single story ell, which may have been built prior to the section closest to the street. The south side of the ell is fronted by a three bay wide porch supported by chamfered posts capped by curved brackets. The wooden deck rests on a fieldstone foundation. Sheltered by the porch are two two-part doors and two multilight picture windows. It is likely that the doors were installed sometime after 1913, when the house was divided into apartments. It is known that the picture windows were installed sometime after 1942, during the ownership of the Wares. To the side of the porch are a vertical board door and doublehung 6/6 window.

The north side of the ell is fronted by a glassed-in porch featuring jalousie windows. The porch was added about 1942 and was recently made somewhat deeper by the present owners. A brick chimney is centered near the ell ridge.

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Projecting from the north side of the ell is a slightly taller, 1 1/2-story section capped by a steeply pitched gable roof. This section rests on a mortared fieldstone foundation. The north gable end measures a single bay wide and is punctuated on the first floor and in the attic by 6/6 windows. The west side of the projection has two 6/6 windows on the first floor and a shed dormer containing four 2 x 2 casement windows.

Projecting from the north gable end is a low gabled projection with stone walls, an asphalt shingled roof, a clapboarded front gable and a wooden door displaying two upper panels with diagonal infill and a lower vertically paneled section. The doorway provides access to the rear cellar which appears to have served as a slaughter room. This stone section appears to date to the early 20th century.

An angled single story, flat roofed section connects the rear of the ell to the barn. Centered on the northwest side is a vertical board door flanked on each side by a fixed 3 x 2 window. A single vertical board door is located on the side facing the driveway.

The present barn structure dates to 1953, rebuilt on the same foundation using wood from the original barn which was destroyed by a tornado in that year. The design of the barn differs from the original symmetrical gable appearance and features an asymmetrical gablefront.

Returning to the side facing the driveway, there is a broadsided, single story barn connecting the southwest corner of the ell to the larger barn, which is set at right angles to the south. The single story connecting barn is capped by an asphalt roof and sheathed in board and batten siding which obscures vertical board siding underneath. Facing the driveway, a greenhouse of recent construction fronts the northern part of the east wall. Sheltered by the greenhouse are four individual 6/6 windows. A recessed overhead garage door and storm doored entrance are located to the south.

Projecting slightly from the east wall, the main barn is a larger 1 1/2 story structure with a saltbox massing, oriented with its gable end to the street. A large doublewide overhead garage door punctuates the front, with a pair of 6/6 windows upstairs and a pair of 3 x 2 casement windows to the side. The barn rests on a fieldstone foundation which is exposed on the south and west sides due to the slope of the land. Centered on the roof is a hip-roofed cupola, square in plan with louvered panels on all four sides and a wooden obelisk finial on top. The south side of the barn displays board and batten siding with a sliding door on the lower level along with a two part door and 3 x 2 window. There are three 3 x 2 windows on the upper level of this side. The west elevation displays a uniform wood shingled wall surface corresponding to the uneven gable of the main barn and the rear of the smaller attached barn. The saltbox section is punctuated by three 3 x 2 windows of uneven spacing while the other section is lit by three strips of windows, each comprised of a pair of four light strips. A pair of double doors access the stone basement below.

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To the northwest of the barn is a small single story chicken coop constructed of vertical boards capped by an asphalt shed roof with overhanging eaves. There are two openings on the taller, south side. It is thought that the structure was constructed during the ownership of the Wares to house geese.

The remains of a concrete water trough are located to the south of the barn. An additional horse barn stood in this area, attached and offset at the northwest corner of the barn until it was irretrievably damaged in the 1953 tornado and removed at that time.

Northwest of the main house, a short distance from Dawson Pond is a small frame boathouse constructed c. 1966, sheathed in board and batten siding and resting on concrete cinderblocks. The gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and the ends of the rafters are exposed. A two part door with strap hinges faces the pond. There are two casement windows on this side, sheltered by shutters. An overhead garage door with glass upper lights is located on the north side while a single window lights the east and the south side.

The landscape surrounding the buildings contributes heavily to its integrity of setting. During the ownership of the Wares (1942-1966), the property was known as "Under Elms". Although Dutch Elm disease has erased the memory of the elms, other mature tree specimens are found throughout the property including ash, birch, maple, spruce and black locust. During their ownership, the Wares maintained extensive records and sketches of their plantings all over the property (Oakes report 1978). In addition to vegetable gardens, fruit gardens, an herb garden and a grape arbor, a small grove of pear trees was located north of the house with a number of apple trees to the west of the house. Isolated examples of these fruit trees survive today behind the house and barn. Perennial borders and ornamental plantings were located around the house during the Wares' tenure, a tradition which is continues today, in some cases set behind dry-laid fieldstone retaining walls. The ornamental landscaped area to the north of the house incorporates a large granite slab bench. Historic stone walls mark the street line of the property while two parallel stone walls spanned by a gate are located in the pasture south of the house. Much of the back lot behind the main house is seasonally wet and covered in second growth.

Archaeological Description

While no prehistoric sites are currently recorded in the property, it is possible that sites are present. One site is recorded in the general area (within one mile). That site, 19-HD-181, is located on a terrace on the western shore of Chaffin Pond less than one-half mile east of the Paddock Farm. Little additional information is available for the site. The physical characteristics of the property are similar to the site mentioned above. The farm property which includes a well drained level to moderately sloping terrace in close proximity to Dawson Pond, indicate favorable locational criteria for Native subsistence and settlement activities. Given the above information, the size of the property (5.8 acres), regional site densities and levels

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of historic landuse on the property, a moderate potential exists that significant sites are present.

There is a high potential for significant historic archaeological remains on the property. Structural remains may be present from outbuildings related to the ell reportedly built in c.1780. No outbuildings are presently dated to this period. The existing barn was built in 1953 after an earlier barn was destroyed by fire that year. The new barn was built on the foundation of the earlier barn so that archaeological features may still survive from the earlier barn. Structural remains may also survive from a horse barn, no longer extant, originally located south of the barn noted above. Archaeological remains may also survive from a wind mill originally located north of the house. Construction features may be present relating to the main house which was constructed in c.1840, reportedly incorporating the earlier ell. Occupational related features (trash pits, privies, wells) should be present from the 18th through 20th century period.

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## 8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Paddock Farm is a well preserved example of a locally popular house form, the 1 1/2 story, kneewall cape with eyebrow windows at the second level of the main facade. The main house, constructed c.1840, in a vernacular Federal-Greek Revival style is representative of the domestic architecture being constructed in the rural community of Holden, Massachusetts during the early 19th century. It would appear that the rear ell, constructed c.1780 was the original structure on the site. The property retains integrity of location, design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling, and association. The Paddock Farm meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places and is significant at the local level. The period of significance is c.1780-1945. Significant dates include c.1780, the date of construction of the ell and c.1840, the date of construction of the main house.

The massing of the main house, the 5 x 2 bay form with a center entrance is typical of the Federal-Greek Revival period. The entrance itself, displaying a recessed panel surround trimmed with cornerblocks, is indicative of a Greek Revival style influence. The house is one of a handful of structures erected in Holden from about 1800 through the 1840s and displaying a 1 1/2 story, eyebrow kneewall form. It would appear that once the kneewall had raised the eaves above the level of the first floor, the placement of small windows in the long walls of the half story was a logical and practical consequence. The most elaborate example of the type in Holden was the Holbrook-Goddard House (1820s-1832) at 182 Princeton Street, now lacking integrity due to alteration. Formerly, the structure displayed five eyebrow windows, a narrow frieze and a Federal style doorframe with swag motif and multi-pane transom. The Darling-Bennett House (c.1800) at 571 Bullard Street is a five bay structure with only three eyebrow windows while the Perkins-

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Drawbridge House (1832-1840?) at 520 Reservoir Street has no eyebrow window above the center entrance. Another, more altered example is the Abbott-Fisk-Boyden House at 1293 Main Street.

Deed research indicates that the land on which this house stands was sold by Joseph Glazier to Reuben Paddock, Jr. and Jonathan Paine of Harwich, Massachusetts in 1780. Revolutionary War soldiers, Paddock and Paine apparently came to Holden with their families after the war. In 1780 Paine and Paddock purchased 80 acres of land from Glazier with buildings thereon (the same land on which Glazier lived) for the princely sum of 15000 pounds. Later the same year Paine and Paddock apparently split their land holdings. Paine and his wife sold twenty five acres of land with buildings to Reuben Paddock for 3000 pounds. On the same day, Paddock, noted on the deed as a cordwainer, sold to Paine, yeoman, 100 acres of land just to the south for the sum of 7000 pounds, excepting "25 acres of the same I this day purchased of Jonathan Paine." (Book 84, Page 91).

Reuben (1746-1821) and his wife Hannah married in Yarmouth, Massachusetts and came to Holden. They had five children - four girls and a boy, Reuben III (1770-1844), who settled as a farmer and married Caroline Merrifield of Worcester on June 2, 1796. Upon Reuben Paddock, Jr.'s death in 1821, the house apparently passed to his son, Reuben. Reuben and Caroline Paddock had nine children and continued to live in the house until 1830 when it was sold to their son, Jonathan Davis Paddock (1800-1887) for \$308.37. The transaction included "all the land which my father Reuben gave me (Reuben, Jr.)" - forty acres of cleared land and six acres of wood. The latter was located on the east side of the county road leading from Holden Meetinghouse to Worcester. The deed notes that the forty acres are described in two deeds, one from Jonathan Paine in 1780 (Book 83, Page 474) and another from Isaac Knight in 1786 (Book 103, Page 628), excepting a part of one of the lots which was sold to Aaron Newell.

Jonathan Paddock (1800-1883) lived in the house and farmed the land for more than fifty years. The Agricultural Schedules of the U.S. Census provide an interesting snapshot of the farm at ten year intervals between 1850 and 1880. The earliest census indicates that in 1850 the farm consisted of 109 improved acres and 16 unimproved acres and was valued at \$2,000. Paddock was one of a handful of local farmers who raised sheep in addition to milk cows, and had more in that year (12) than any other farmer in town. A 1859 local tax valuation indicates that Paddock's holdings also included a potash house and garden. By 1870 Paddock's farm was valued at \$3,000 and included 127 improved acres and 20 acres of woodland. Paddock was no longer raising sheep by this time but continued to own six milk cows, two working cows, two swine and raise rye, indian corn, oats and potatoes in addition to orchards. In 1880 the Paddock Farm had a value of \$4,000 and included nine tilled acres, 75 acres of meadow and 25 acres of woodland. Records indicate that his orchard now numbered 100 trees and that he had added twenty chickens to his other livestock. Local valuation records tell a slightly different story, indicating that by 1872 the home lot consisted of 25 acres, a size it was to remain until 1943.

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Upon Jonathan Paddock's death, Henry W. Warren, the administrator of the estate sold forty acres of land to Paddock's son, Joseph Paddock (1846-1913) for \$1600. The son of Jonathan and Tabitha Paddock, Joseph was a veteran of the Civil War and is buried in Grove Cemetery in Holden with his parents. Valuation records indicate that in 1905 Paddock constructed a windmill (to the north of the house to pump water to a storage tank in the attic above the back kitchen). In 1908 Joseph and Alice Maria Paddock sold the house and twenty five acres of land to Nellie Alice Marsh, wife of James A. Marsh, for \$2500.

In 1913 the property was purchased by Olaf (1862-19??) and Mary (1864-1939) Lindquist. During the Lindquists' ownership the house was split into four separate apartments which were rented to workers in the nearby Dawson Mill. During this period original pine boards were covered with narrow oak boards in the front parlors and in their dining room and kitchen. Mantels were removed and all of the fireplaces were boarded up in favor of wood stoves. It would appear that the Lindquists were part of a growing number of new residents who came to Holden prior to and following the World War I, moving from Worcester to farm in their spare time. Known as "twilight" farmers, the group represented a variety of different occupations, but largely industrial and other laborers, many of whom were of Swedish descent or Polish origin. Local tax valuations indicate that during their tenure, the Lindquists had a few horses and varying numbers of fowl, ranging from 100 in 1914 to 15 in 1929.

The property was sold by Olaf Lindquist to Willard and Edith Ware in 1942. Two years before they sold the property, Olaf Lindquist sold a small parcel on the north side of Newell Road to Ellen Olson, reducing the acreage of the larger parcel to 23 3/4 acres. Conditions in the deed with the Wares gave Olaf Lindquist the right to use the three rooms and cellar under the rear part of the house for one year. During the Wares' ownership, the house was returned to its original single family function (except during World War II) and features which had been removed were restored. During the Second World War the Wares refurbished the back part of the house into an apartment which they used to house displaced families from Europe. They sponsored one family at a time, finding them a good job and suitable place to live. In return, during their stay the families helped the Wares with outside maintenance, housework and cooking.

When the Wares replaced the sills under the house, a full cellar was dug where previously there had only been a cellar under the front part of the house. The original fireplaces were restored, the mantels were replaced and the chimneys were enlarged. The later oak floors were removed in the dining room. In the living room where the pine floors could not be salvaged, the floors were replaced with other old pine boards. The original front door of the house, found under the barn, was also returned to its place. Full plumbing and electricity were installed and a windmill driven watertank in the attic was removed. Boards from the dismantled windmill were used to make built-in bookshelves in the den and the rear bedroom. Other alterations to the house during the Wares' ownership involved changes in the uses of the various rooms. In the main part of the house the Wares knocked down the wall between what was the parlor

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(southeast corner) and rear room (southwest corner) to make one large living room. What had been the "bournig room" (northwest corner) became the kitchen. In the rear ell, the section closest to the main house which had formerly functioned as a kitchen was converted to a den. The rear half of the ell which had formerly functioned as a shed was converted into a kitchen during World War II and later became a laundry room. The windows in this room, facing the driveway, were also changed during this period. The shed projecting to the north from the ell which served as a winter pig pen during the Lindquists' ownership, served as a living room during World War II and was later converted to a bedroom. The fireplace in the room was designed after a fireplace in a pre-Revolutionary house in Yarmouth, Maine. The antique Dutch tiles that outline the opening were brought back by the Wares from the Netherlands. A screened in porch along the north side of the ell was also added by the Wares. Work on the house was apparently largely completed between 1947 and 1948 when the taxes on the house rose from \$2300 to \$4500.

The original attached barn was almost totally demolished by the tornado of 1953. Although it was rebuilt by the Wares on the same site using many of the original timbers, the former symmetrical gablefront was replaced by the present structure. The land ceased being farmed in 1954.

The present owners Wayne and Bonnie Prescott purchased the property in 1982. It currently consists of a 4.26 acre parcel and a 1.67 acre parcel.

Archaeological Significance

Since patterns of prehistoric settlement in Holden are poorly understood, any surviving sites would be significant. Prehistoric sites in this area can contribute to a greater understanding of Native American settlement and subsistence patterns in the Central Massachusetts/Worcester Plateau locale and the relationship of those sites to sites in the coastal lowlands. Sites in this area can also be used to test hypotheses relating to prehistoric settlement and subsistence in different riverine drainages. The Paddock Farm lies near the southern extent of the Nashua River (Merrimack River) drainage with the Blackstone River drainage located in neighboring towns to the south and the Chicopee River drainage (Connecticut River) to the west. Prehistoric sites in this area may contain data which enable a study of the extent to which these drainages influenced the social, cultural and economic systems of people who lived in the area.

Historic archaeological remains described above have the potential to further document 18th through 20th century landuse on the farm as well as provide detailed information on the social, cultural and economic characteristics which typified agricultural life in a rural Central Massachusetts community. Further documentary research combined with archaeological survey and excavation can help reconstruct land use from the 1780 - 1840 period for which little information is currently known. Structural and construction features as well as artifact distributions may survive which indicate with more precision dates of construction

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for the ell and main house and the extent to which the ell was incorporated into later house construction. Structural remains of outbuildings can help reconstruct the layout of the farm during its various periods of landuse and determine how that landuse changed through time. Detailed analysis of occupational related features can also help reconstruct changing agricultural landuse as well as provide insights into the lives of individuals who lived on the farm. Evidence may be present in trash areas, privies or other features which reflects changes in ownerships, agricultural use or rural lifestyles at the farm. This evidence may reflect the extent to which twilight or part time farmers in the early 20th century differed from then full time 18th and 19th century predecessors.

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**MAPS**

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**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nominated property occupies Map 186, Lot 12.1 in the local tax assessors' records (see enclosed copy).

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary of the nominated property is drawn to include that acreage which survives from the original parcel upon which Reuben Paddock built his residence and which is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination does not include acreage which was originally part of the property but which has been subdivided to other parties over the years.

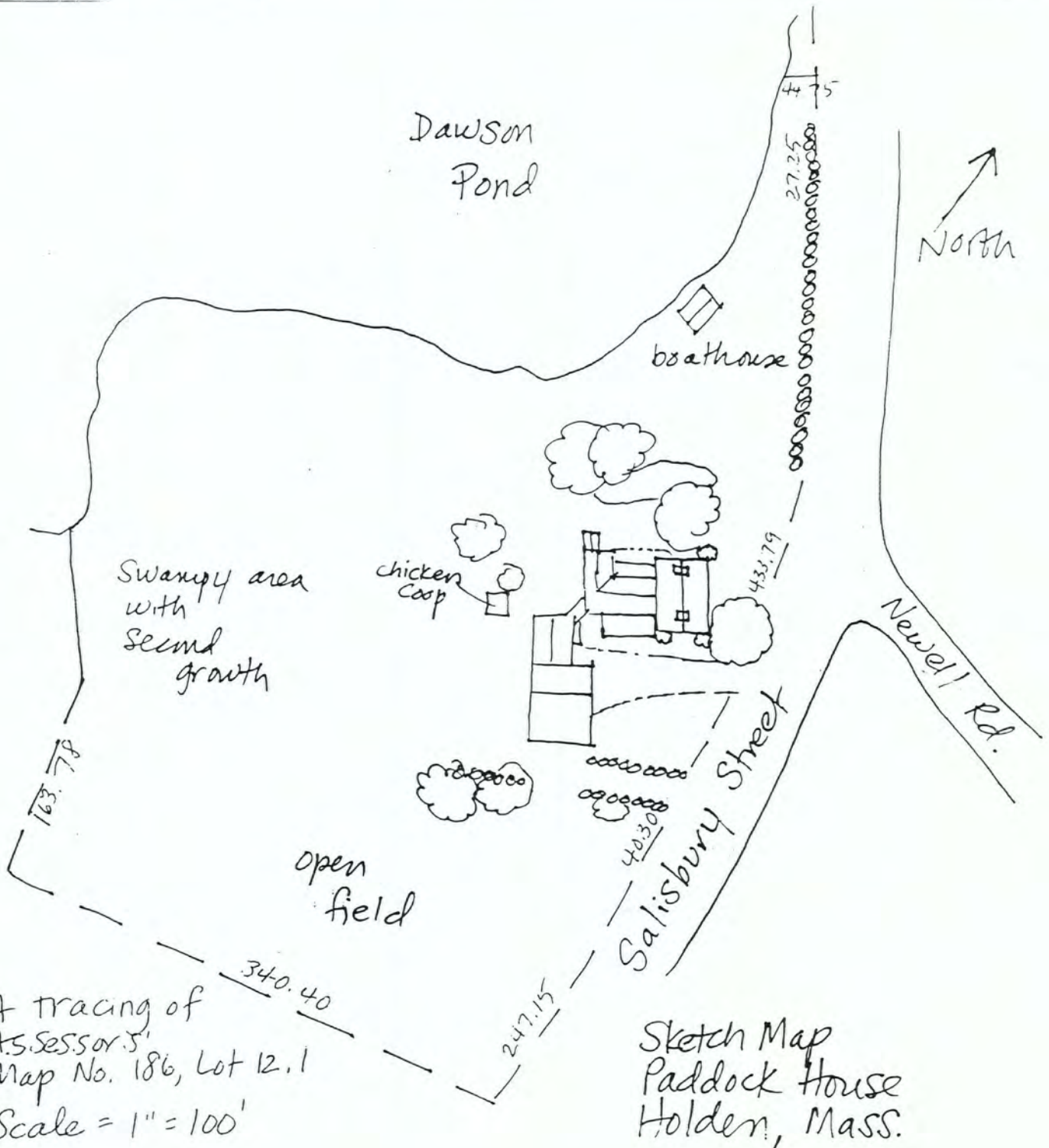
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Continuation Sheet

Paddock Farm  
Holden (Worcester County)  
Massachusetts

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A tracing of  
A.S. Sessor's  
Map No. 186, Lot 12.1  
Scale = 1" = 100'

Sketch Map  
Paddock House  
Holden, Mass.

**DATA SHEET  
PADDOCK HOUSE  
HOLDEN, MASSACHUSETTS**

Resource	Date of Construction	Contributing (C) or Non contributing (NC)
Main House	c.1840	C
Ell	c.1780	C
Attached Barn	1953	NC
Boathouse	c.1966	NC
Chicken Coop	c.1940	NC
Stone Walls	c.1800	C

Paddock Farm  
259 Salisbury Street  
Holden, Massachusetts  
(Worcester County)

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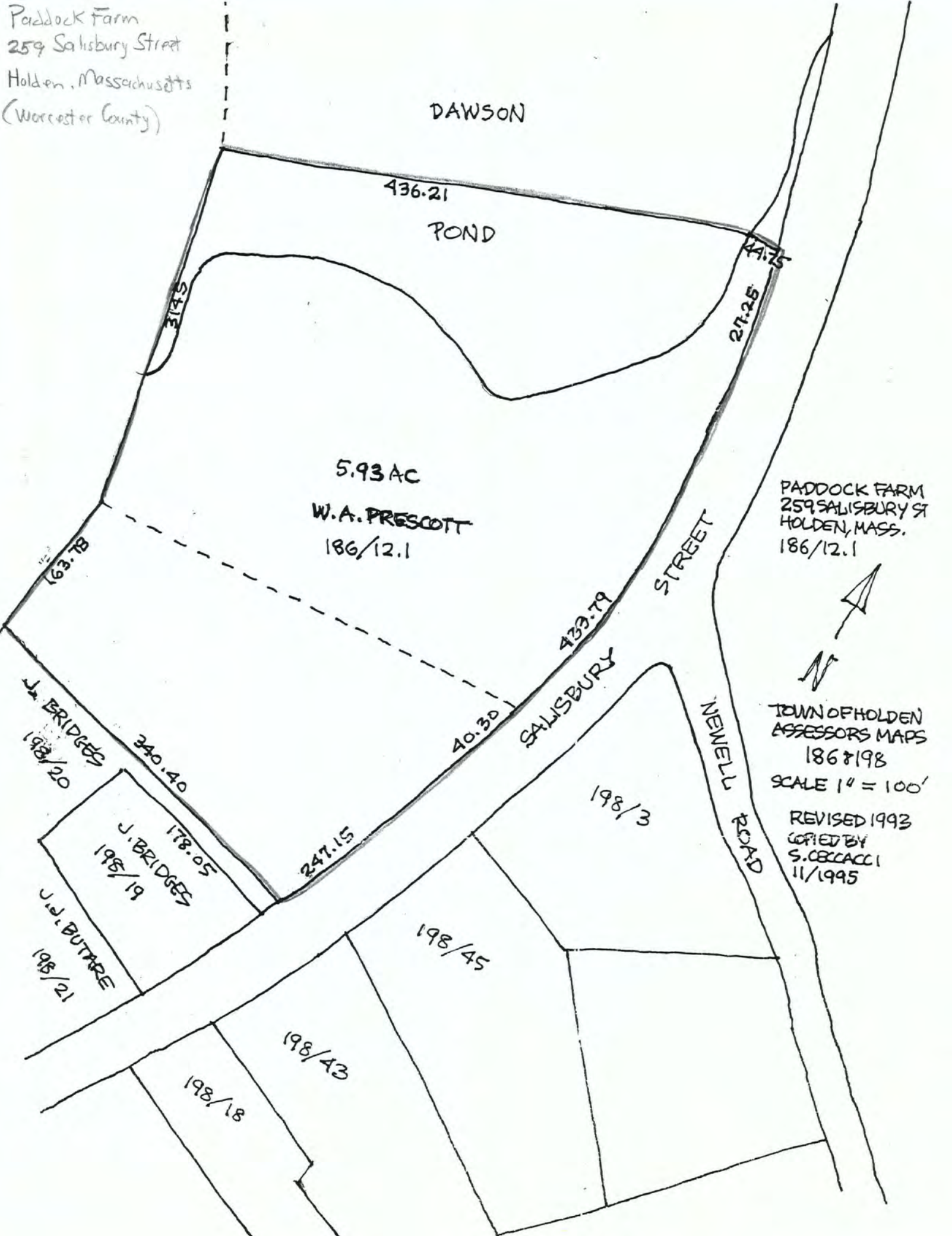
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PADDOCK FARM  
259 SALISBURY ST  
HOLDEN, MASS.  
186/12.1

TOWN OF HOLDEN  
ASSESSORS MAPS  
186 & 198  
SCALE 1" = 100'

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Paddock Farm  
NAME:

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 1/25/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/06/96  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/22/96 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/96  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000143

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  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 2/23/96 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Approved:  
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_ DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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



Paddock Farm  
259 Salisbury Street  
Holden, Massachusetts (Worcester County)  
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf  
Date: April 1994  
Negative: Holden Historical Commission  
Description: Facade of main house + barn  
Looking SW



Paddock Farm  
259 Salisbury Street  
Holden, Massachusetts (Worcester County)  
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf  
Date: April 1994  
Negative: Holden Historical Commission  
Description: North elevation looking S-SE



Paddock Farm  
259 Salisbury Street  
Holden, Massachusetts (Worcester County)  
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf  
Date: April 1994  
Negative: Holden Historical Commission  
Description: South elevation looking west



Paddock Farm  
259 Salisbury Street  
Holden, Massachusetts (Worcester County)  
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf  
Date: April 1994  
Negative: Holden Historical Commission  
Description: Rear of barn and ell looking NE



Paddock Farm  
Holden, Mass, (Worcester County)

Lisa Mausolf, Photo.

April 1994

Neg: Holden Hist Comm.

Desc. Chicken coop looking north



Paddock Farm  
Holden, Mass, (Worcester County)

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Neg: Holden Hist Comm.

Desc.: Stone walls south of  
barn looking east



Paddock Farm  
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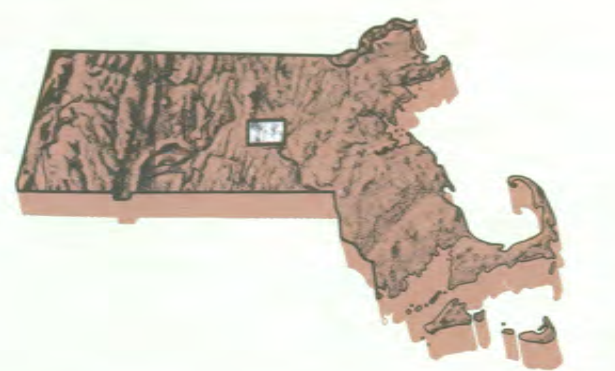
Desc: Boathouse looking north

Project: 219 So.bury St  
219 So.bury St  
Worcester, MA 01608  
1/17/11 219 So.bury St



# 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



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Compiled by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1980. Field checked 1982. Map edited 1983  
Supersedes Reston and Worcester North 1:25,000-scale maps dated 1965 and 1974

Projection and 1000-meter grid, zone 19: Universal Transverse Mercator  
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 inholdings within the boundaries of the National or State reservations shown on this map  
CONTOUR INTERVAL 3 METERS  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1955  
CONTROL ELEVATIONS SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 0.1 METER  
OTHER ELEVATIONS SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 0.5 METER

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS

CONVERSION TABLE		DECLINATION DIAGRAM		ADJOINING MAPS		
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10	32.8084					

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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
- Fairbridge: overpass; underpass
- Build-up area: only selected landmark buildings shown
- House: ham; 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; Fence or field line; Power transmission line, located tower; Dam; dam with lock; Cemetery; grave; Campground; picnic area; U. S. location monument; Wetland; water well; spring; Mine shaft; prospect; adit or cave; Control: horizontal station; vertical station; spot elevation; Contour: index; intermediate; supplementary; depression; Distorted surface: strip mine, lava, sand; Bathymetric contours: index, intermediate; Perennial lake and stream; intermittent lake and stream; Reside, large and small; lake, large and small; Submerged marsh; marsh, swamp; Land subject to controlled inundation; woodland; Sand; mangrove; Orchard; vineyard

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Legend	
Property line	Deed lot number
Original lot line	Parcel number (in circle)
Right of way line	Dwelling
Edge of pavement or roadway	Railroad
Trunk sewer line	Scale dimension
City line	Deed dimension
Town line	Original block number
Aqueduct line	Calculated area
Stream	

Revisions			
1	6-9-75	9	1-1-87 LAW
2	9-29-76	10	1-1-90 LAW
3	8-31-77	11	2-5-91 MAS
4	12-14-77	12	11-19-93 DRS
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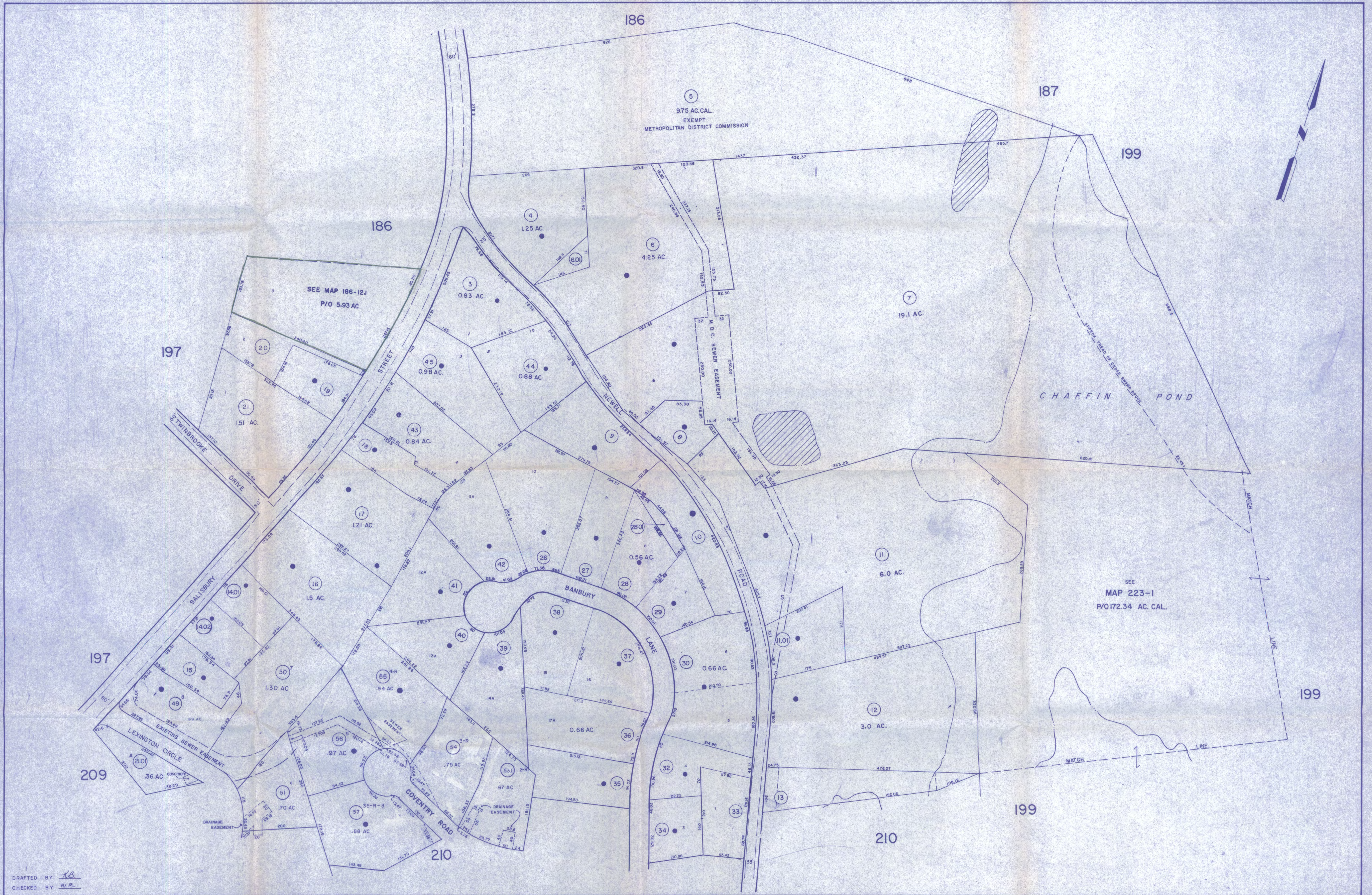
**TOWN OF HOLDEN**  
 Office of Assessor  
 MASSACHUSETTS

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*Paddock Form  
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Property line	Deed lot number	75
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**TOWN OF HOLDEN**  
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Paddock Farm  
 259 Salisbury Street  
 Holden (Worcester County) Massachusetts

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



January 16, 1996

Carol Shull  
Keeper  
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:

Paddock Farm, 259 Salisbury Street,  
Holden (Worcester County) Massachusetts, 01520

The nomination has been voted eligible by the State Review Board and has been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. Owners were notified of pending State Review Board consideration 30-75 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

enclosure

cc: Susan Ceccacci, Chairperson, Holden Historical Commission  
Lisa Mausolf  
Joan C. Carlson, Chair, Holden Board of Selectmen  
Janet Baker, Holden Public Library