

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES  
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # Be-62  
Boone County

1. Name of Resource: Wingate-Gaines Farm District

2. Original Owner: William Wingate

3. Other Names: Wingate-Gaines house

4. Prehistoric Site Building  Object  
Historic Site Structure Other

5. Location: 5225 Whitton Road  
Petersburg, KY

6. Owner's Name: Mrs. Walter C. Gaines [ ]

7. Owner's Address: 5225 Whitton Road  
Petersburg, KY 41080

8. Evaluation: National Register [ ]

9. Recognition & Date:  
Nat.Landmark \_\_\_\_\_ Local Landmark \_\_\_\_\_  
Nat.Register \_\_\_\_\_ HABS/HAER \_\_\_\_\_  
Highway Marker \_\_\_\_\_ KY Inventory 1977 \_\_\_\_\_  
KY Landmark Certificate \_\_\_\_\_

10. N.R.Status & Date:

11. N.R.Group:  
District Name: [ ]  
Mult.Resource Area: Boone County [ ]  
Thematic Name: [ ]

12. Historical Theme:  
Primary: Agriculture [ ]  
Secondary: Architecture [ ]  
Other: [ ]

13. Statement of Significance:  
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14. History: William Wingate, the current owner's great-grandfather, built the original log house. He sold the property to the Gaines family in 1843. Wm. Wingate then purchased another farm in Boone County and is listed in the 1883 atlas as a native Boone Countian and farmer in the Carlton Precinct owning 23 5/8 acres since 1842. The 1883 atlas indicates an Ed Gaines as the owner of the Wingate-Gaines farm. Four generations of Gaines were born in the house. Changes were made to the house to accomodate the family as they prospered and to modernize the kitchen.

16. Date: Original Building c. 1820s [ ]  
Addition c. 1830s; c. 1850; 1922 [ ]

17. Style: No academic style [ ]  
eclectic (Greek-Italianate) [ ]

18. Architect/Builder: Rice (carpenter for c. 1850 addition)

19. No. of Stories: two/one [ ]

20. Original Floor Plan: one room [ ]

21. Single Pile Double Pile N.A.

22. Roof Form & Material: Original   
gable/st. seam tin Not Original

23. Structural Material: log/wood frame [ ]

24. Exterior Material: weatherboard [ ]

25. Foundation Material: stone [ ]

26. Major Alterations: None  
Moved/Rebuilt Other  
Additions

27. Special Features: recessed, double, corner gallery

28. Outbuildings: ten [ ]

29. Original Function: farm dwelling [ ]

30. Present Use: farm dwelling [ ]

31. Condition: excellent [ ]

32. Endangered: Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No

33. Attach Photos:  
Roll: 7 Photo Nos: 16-23 No. of Slides:  
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1883 Atlas

34. Prepared by: Kenneth T. Gibbs

35. Organization: Boone Co. Hist. Pres. Rev. Brd.

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Quadrant: Lawrenceburg	16	688520	4324200	40. Coordi. Accuracy	[ ]

41. UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):

A. -----	D. -----
B. -----	E. -----
C. -----	F. -----

42. Total Acreage in Present Property: 178,208 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary: 8

44. Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):

Beginning at a point 50' directly east of the east corner of the foundation of the barn south of Whitton Road (A), proceed southwest 400' (B). Then proceed northwest 600' to a point 250' west of the house (C), turning northeast 500' to a point south of Whitton Road (D). Then proceed southeast 400' (E), turning south southeast for 400' to the point of origin.

The boundary includes the farmhouse, all outbuildings, and sufficient acreage to provide a setting. The major sightline from the house is to the east, toward the pair of livestock barns. Whitton Road, a gravel road, passes through the boundaries, going between the two barns. The remaining acreage of the farm is either not used for agriculture or underused; it is not included in the boundaries because its current use is not consistent with historical intensive use patterns.

- Contributing: 9 buildings
- 1 structure (corn crib)
- 1 site (meal house remains)

45. Description and House Plan:

The first section of this multi-stage house is a single log pen, about 16' square. A small addition, also of log, was erected to the east of the first room. The chimney was subsequently moved from the west wall to the north wall, and the interior was restyled in Greek Revival: the window and door surrounds consist of simplified "pediments" atop battered vertical boards.

In about the 1850s (sometime after the 1843 sale) a second story was added to the log house and a two-story block with a stair-passage and corner double gallery was added to the south, both additions of frame construction. The new central passage featured a two-flight curving staircase and brilliant red and blue colored glass in the transom and sidelights of the front door; the very simple rear (west) door, beneath the stair landing, was lighted with a transom only. The opening surrounds in the interior of this addition, grained and colored in two tone, have 3/4-round trim and crossettes. The richly molded eclectic mantel in the parlor features fluted shafts imbedded in plain rectangular frames, said to have been the favorite device of the addition's carpenter-builder, named Rice.

To the north of the log section, a kitchen wing built in 1922 replaced an earlier kitchen-dinir room block and provided a second staircase to the upper level.

The house, which faces east, was sited on a narrow ridge running east-west, presumably because of the nearness of a spring downhill to the southwest. Between the house and the group of barn to the east are six outbuildings, all built before about 1915 and all in good condition, except the log "meal house," built possibly at the same time as the log house and in a ruined state. The two large livestock-hay barns were built mid-19th century and the nearby corn crib in the late 19th century. All the outbuildings, again excepting the log meal house, are gabled wood frame buildings roofed with standing seam tin and sheathed with vertical-board siding. All outbuildings contribute to the agricultural significance of the property.

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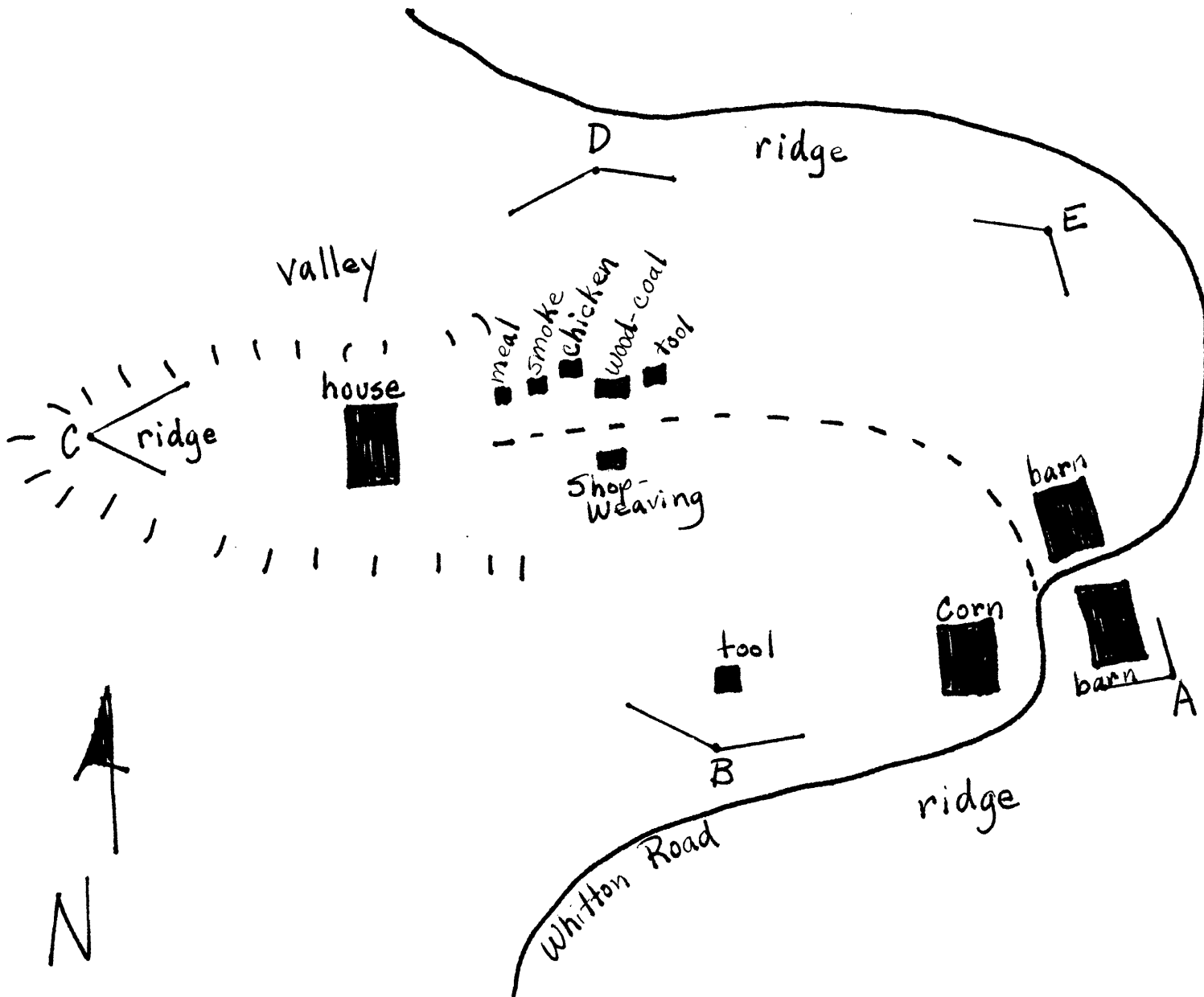
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National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
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**SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD**

**NRIS Reference Number:** 88003267      **Date Listed:** 2/7/89

<u>Wingate-Gaines Farm District</u>	Boone	KY
<b>Property Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>

**Multiple Name**

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This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrews  
**Signature of the Keeper**

2/7/89  
**Date of Action**

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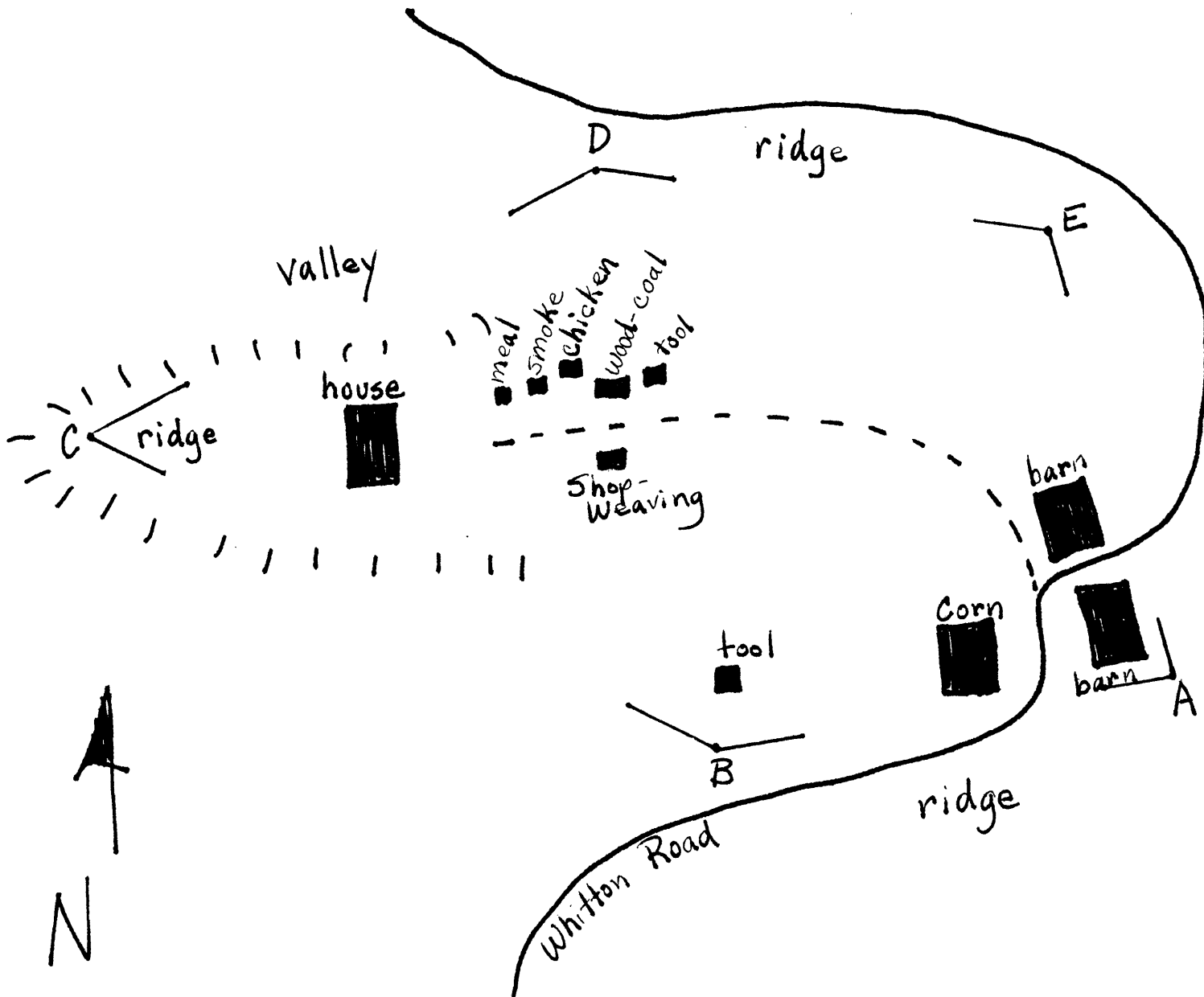
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