

# BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0038

QUAD \_\_\_\_\_

SERIES \_\_\_\_\_

NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: Town of Guilderland

DATE: June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: 518-356-1980  
N.Y.

ORGANIZATION (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

## IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Fuller's Tavern (Building #13)

2. COUNTY: Albany

TOWN/CITY: Guilderland

VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_

3. STREET LOCATION: 6861 Western Tpk

4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐

b. private ☒

5. PRESENT OWNER: Jock A. Farnsworth ADDRESS: 6861 Western Tpke. R.D. 2, Altamont,

6. USE: Original: Tavern & Hotel

Present: Residence

N.Y. 12009

7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐

Interior accessible: Explain by appointment

## DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL

a. clapboard ☒

b. stone ☐

c. brick ☐

d. board and batten ☐

e. cobblestone ☐

f. shingles ☐

g. stucco ☐

other: \_\_\_\_\_

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM (if known)

a. wood frame with interlocking joints ☒

b. wood frame with light members ☐

c. masonry load bearing walls ☐

d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

e. other \_\_\_\_\_

10. CONDITION:

a. excellent ☒

b. good ☐

c. fair ☐

d. deteriorated ☐

11. INTEGRITY:

a. original site ☒

b. moved ☐

if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known ☒ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☐  
 d. developers ☐ e. deterioration ☐  
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn ☒ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☐  
 d. privy ☐ e. shed ☐ f. greenhouse ☐  
 g. shop ☐ h. gardens ☐  
 i. landscape features: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: Wagon shed
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land ☒ b. woodland ☐  
 c. scattered buildings ☒  
 d. densely built-up ☐ e. commercial ☐  
 f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☒  
 h. other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)  
**Located very close to Western Turnpike and the railroad bridge that crosses the road.**

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
**Two-story wood frame house with "salt box" roof; stone foundation; carriage barn attached to the west; interior retains many of the original features such as wainscoating, large fireplace and staircase.**

**SIGNIFICANCE**

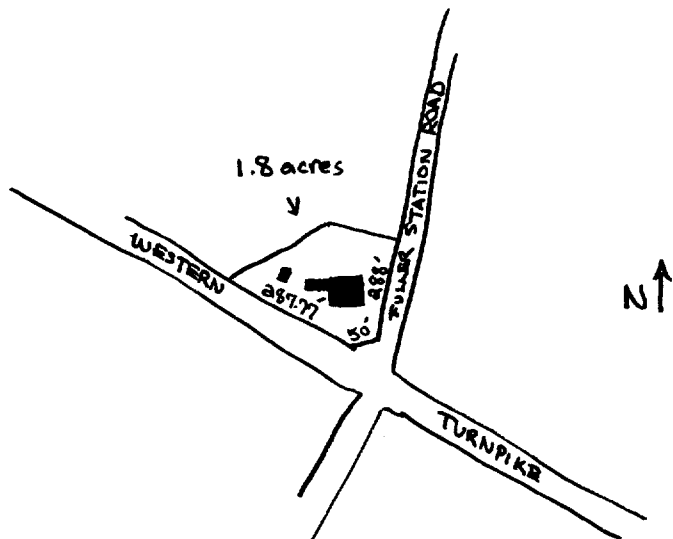
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1795
- ARCHITECT: Unknown
- BUILDER: Unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:  
 The building is one of the few remaining inns of those built along the Western Turnpike in the late eighteenth century. Constructed at the turn of the century, it opened as a tavern in 1806. The tavern was operated by Hon. John Fuller, a major in the State Militia. Fuller was elected to the State Legislature in 1846 and was Guilderland Town Supervisor from 1846-1848. The building is a significant example of the tavern houses of the period and important locally for its association with the Fuller family. The vernacular building is one of the earliest structures still extant in Guilderland. It survives, largely intact and retaining many of its original interior features, amidst modern suburban development.

21. SOURCES: Interview with owner; see bibliography
22. THEME:

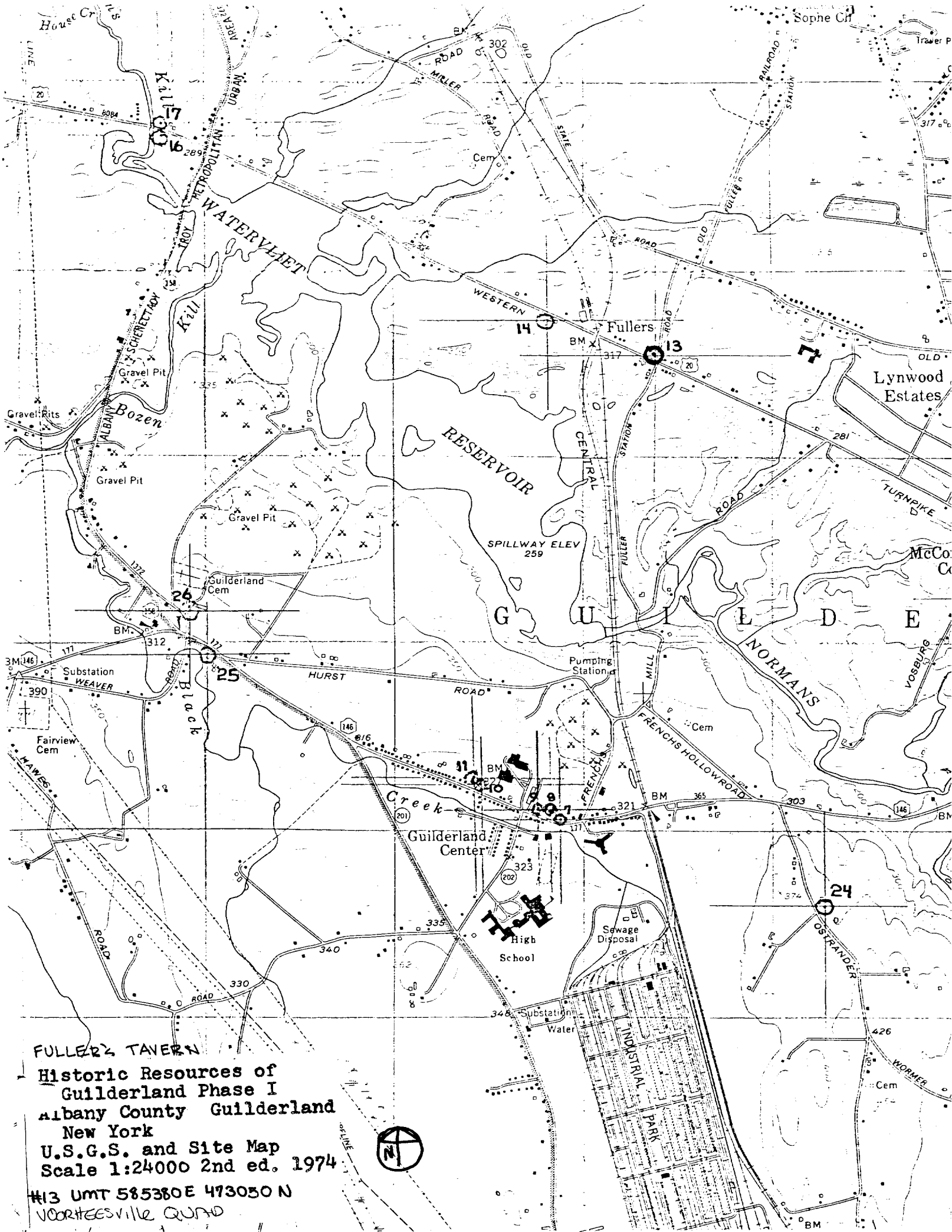
6861 Western Turnpike

Building # 13



FULLER'S TAVERN

Historic Resources of  
Guilderland Phase I  
Albany County Guilderland  
New York  
Site Map (from tax map)  
Smith & Mahoney 1979



FULLER'S TAVERN  
Historic Resources of  
Guilderland (Phase I)  
Guilderland, New York  
Albany County  
Building #13

Eastern elevation

Aug 5-13



Carriage shed, southern  
elevation