

# BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0034  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: Town of Guilderland DATE: June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE 518-356-1979  
N.Y.

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

## IDENTIFICATION

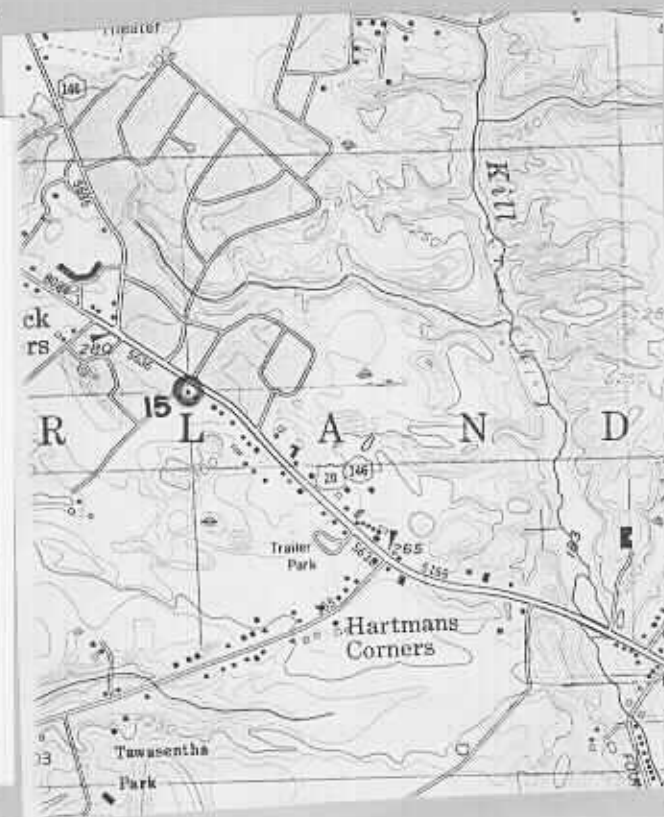
1. BUILDING NAME(S): Gillespie Residence (Building #15)  
2. COUNTY: Albany TOWN/CITY: Guilderland VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
3. STREET LOCATION: 2554 Western Tpk  
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒  
5. PRESENT OWNER: Gary Gillespie ADDRESS: 2554 Western Tpk., Guilderland,  
6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Residence N.Y. 12084  
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: a. wood frame with interlocking joints ☒  
(if known) 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: \_\_\_\_\_
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)

**Situated close to the heavily travelled Western Turnpike  
(U.S. Route 20).**

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
**Small one and one-half story farmhouse; Greek Revival  
design; center entrance with pilastered door surround;  
five small eye-brow windows in frieze; small ell on rear.**

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1840

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This small Greek Revival farmhouse is a significant example of the modest rural homes built in the town in the mid-nineteenth century. The house retains its original integrity with modest detailing and is highly visible from the road. The building is situated in a community pressured by suburban development. Relative to the contemporary tract-type development in the surrounding area this Greek Revival structure, although small and modest in design, stands out as architecturally and historically significant.

21. SOURCES: **Albany County Clerk's Office**

22. THEME:

Gillespie Residence  
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Guilderland (Phase I)  
Guilderland, New York  
Albany County

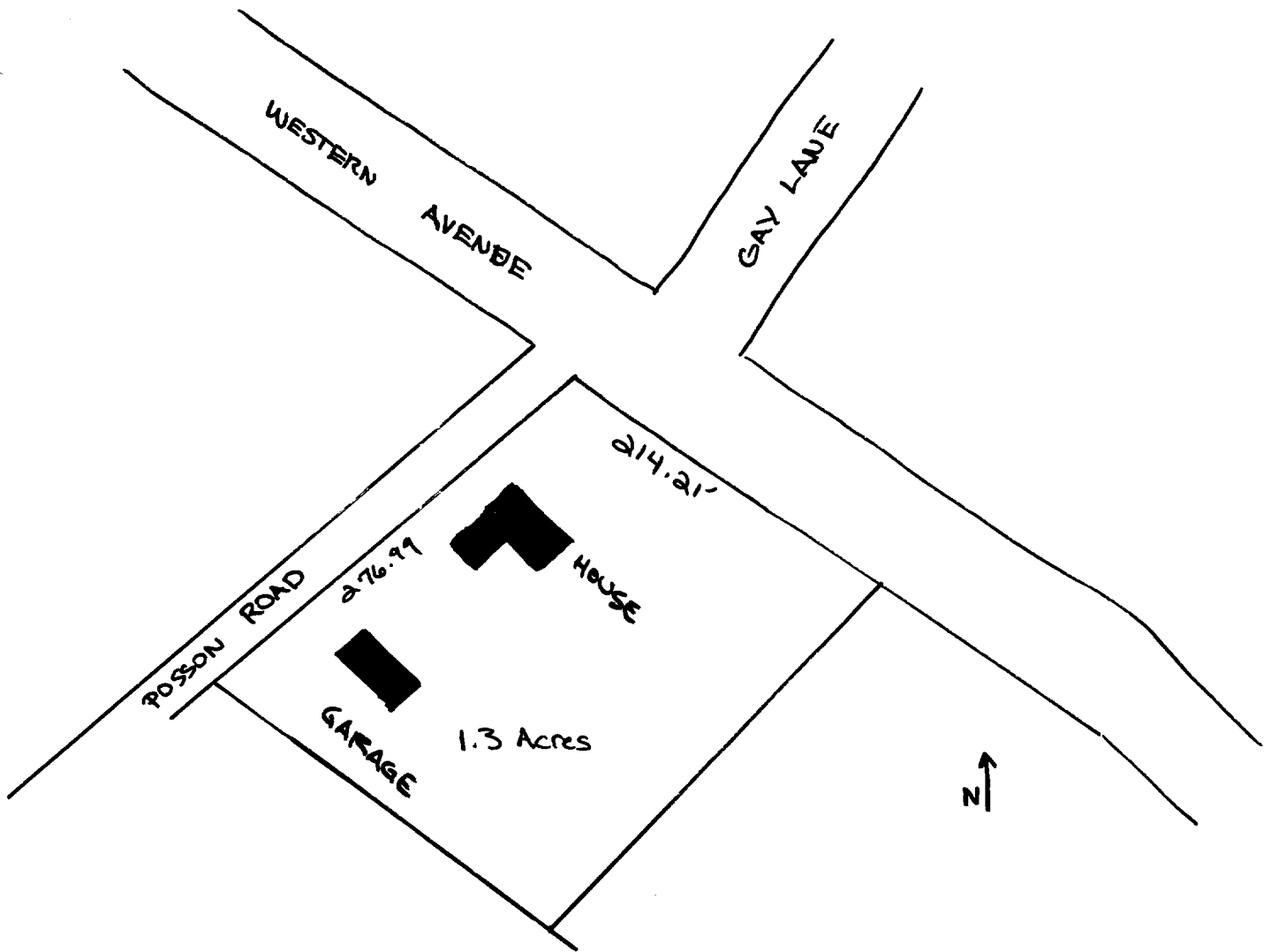
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View of outbuilding

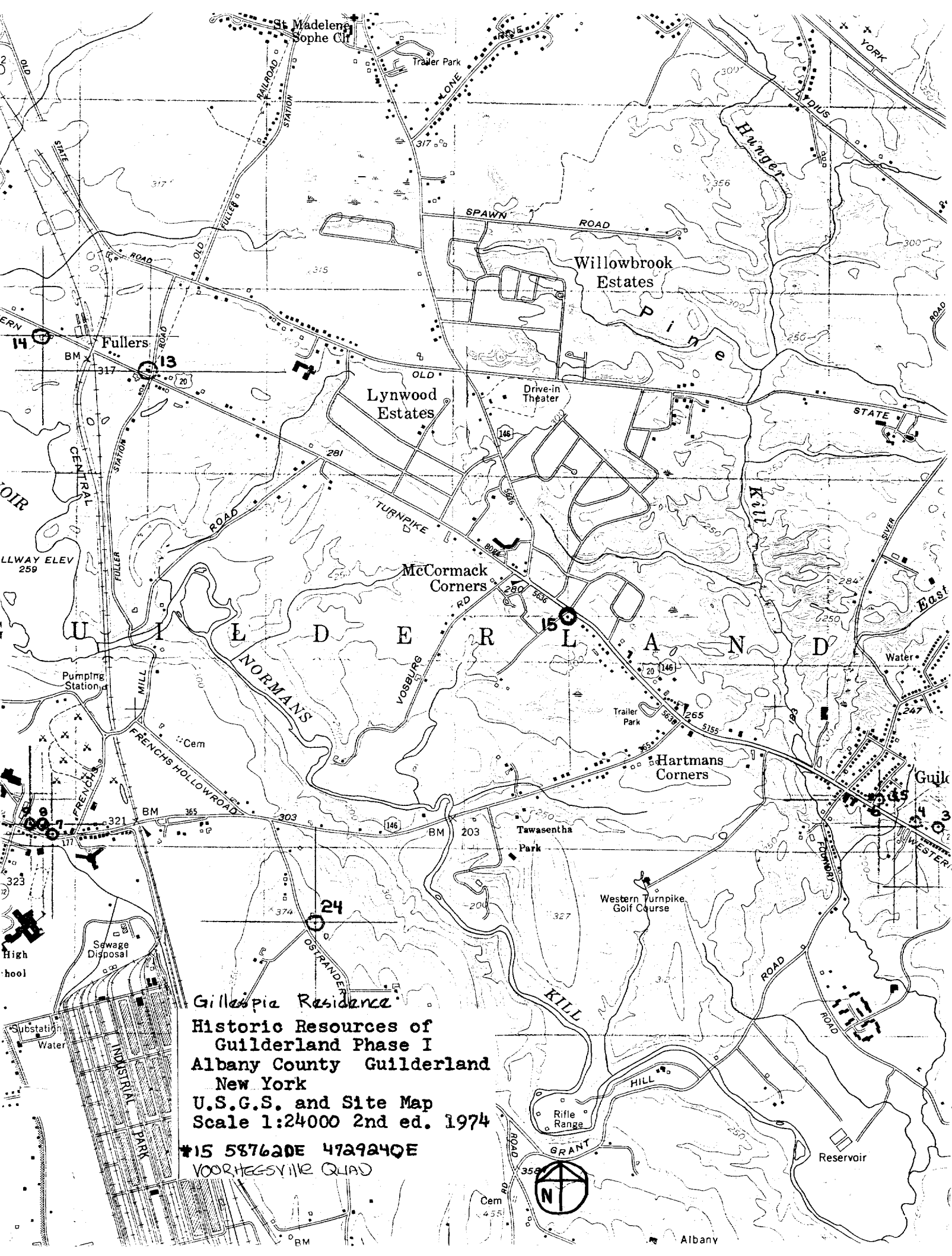
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Gillaspie Residence



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Site Map (from tax map)  
Smith & Mahoney 1979

1" = 100'



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U.S.G.S. and Site Map  
Scale 1:24000 2nd ed. 1974

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