

DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS # K-07607  
SPO Map 12-13-18  
Hundred S. Murderkill  
Quad Frederica  
SM-00-122.00-  
Other 02-29.00

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Former Dover Air Force Base Beacon/Aviation Structure
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: Between 4417 and 4657 Barratts Chapel Road
3. TOWN/NEAREST TOWN: Frederica vicinity?
4. MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE: building  landscape  structure  district  site  object
5. MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY: Aviation structure
6. PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable):  
Barratts Chapel Road Improvements

7. ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	Structure
0	CRS 3 Secondary Building Form	N/A
0	CRS 4 Archaeological Site Form	N/A
0	CRS 5 Structure (Building-Like) Form	N/A
0	CRS 6 Structure (Land Feature) Form	N/A
0	CRS 7 Object Form	N/A
0	CRS 8 Landscape Elements Form	N/A
1	CRS 9 Map Form	N/A
0	CRS 14 Potential District Form	N/A

8. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor name: Laura C. Ricketts and Bradley S. Reese

Principal Investigator name: Laura C. Ricketts

Principal Investigator signature: *Laura C. Ricketts*

Organization: Skelly and Loy, Inc. Date: 1/2008

**9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:**

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The structure was probably built ca. 1954. It is indicated on a 1956 United States Geological Survey (USGS) map. It served as a beacon or marker for the base until 1982, when the equipment was removed, the structure was abandoned, and the property was sold to the adjacent landowners.

**10. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):**

- a) Time period(s)
- Pre-European Contact
  - Paleo-Indian
  - Archaic
  - Woodland I
  - Woodland II
  - 1600-1750± Contact Period (Native American)
  - 1630-1730± Exploration and Frontier Settlement
  - 1730-1770± Intensified and Durable Occupation
  - 1770-1830± Early Industrialization
  - 1830-1880± Industrialization and Early Urbanization
  - 1880-1940± Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
  - 1940-1960± Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization

- b) Geographical zone
- Piedmont
  - Upper Peninsula
  - Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
  - Coastal
  - Urban (City of Wilmington)

- c) Historic period theme(s)
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting      | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering     | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing         | <input type="checkbox"/> Education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing/Wholesaling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizations                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance               | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events                 |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAIN BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: Between 4417 And 4657 Barratts Chapel Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Dover Air Force Base Beacon current Abandoned

3. YEAR BUILT: 1954 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: N/A

4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Utilitarian/Rectangular plan

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved

if moved, from where  
N/A

other location's CRS #  
N/A

year  
N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)

a. N/A

year  
N/A

b.

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)

a. Overall shape: Rectangular block Stories: 1  
Additions: 0

b Structural system (if known): Frame

c. Foundation: materials: Concrete slab  
basement: full  partial  not visible  no basement

d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Wood panels

e. Roof: shape: Flat  
materials: Not visible  
cornice: Wood fascia board below roofline  
dormers: 0  
chimney: location(s): 0

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: Direction: West

1) Bays 3

2) Windows 0 (plywood panel between doors does not appear to be covering a window)

fenestration N/A

type N/A

trim N/A

shutters N/A

**Facade (cont'd)**

- 3) **Door(s)** 2  
     **location** Right and left of center  
     **type** Two hinged wood door panels (dilapidated) at right, left not visible  
     **trim** Simple
- 4) **Porch(es)** 0

**b. Side: Direction: South**

- 1) **Bays** 3
- 2) **Windows** 1  
     **fenestration** Regular  
     **type** Square window (?) opening covered with plywood board  
     **trim** Simple  
     **shutters** 0
- 3) **Door(s)** 0  
     **location** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** 0

**c. Side: Direction: North**

- 1) **Bays** 3
- 2) **Windows** Not visible  
     **fenestration** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A  
     **shutters** N/A
- 3) **Door(s)** Not visible  
     **location** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** Not visible

**d. Rear: Direction: East**

- 1) **Bays** 3
- 2) **Windows** Not visible  
     **fenestration** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A  
     **shutters** N/A
- 3) **Door(s)** Not visible  
     **location** N/A  
     **type** N/A  
     **trim** N/A
- 4) **Porch(es)** 0

9. **INTERIOR:** Not accessible.

10. **LANDSCAPING:** The parcel is surrounded by a chain link fence topped with barbed wire. Vines and underbrush have grown up around the structure and fence.

11. **OTHER COMMENTS:** A dilapidated open framework surrounds the building. Industrial caged light fixtures top the two doors on the west façade.



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: Between 4417 and 4657 Barratts Chapel Road

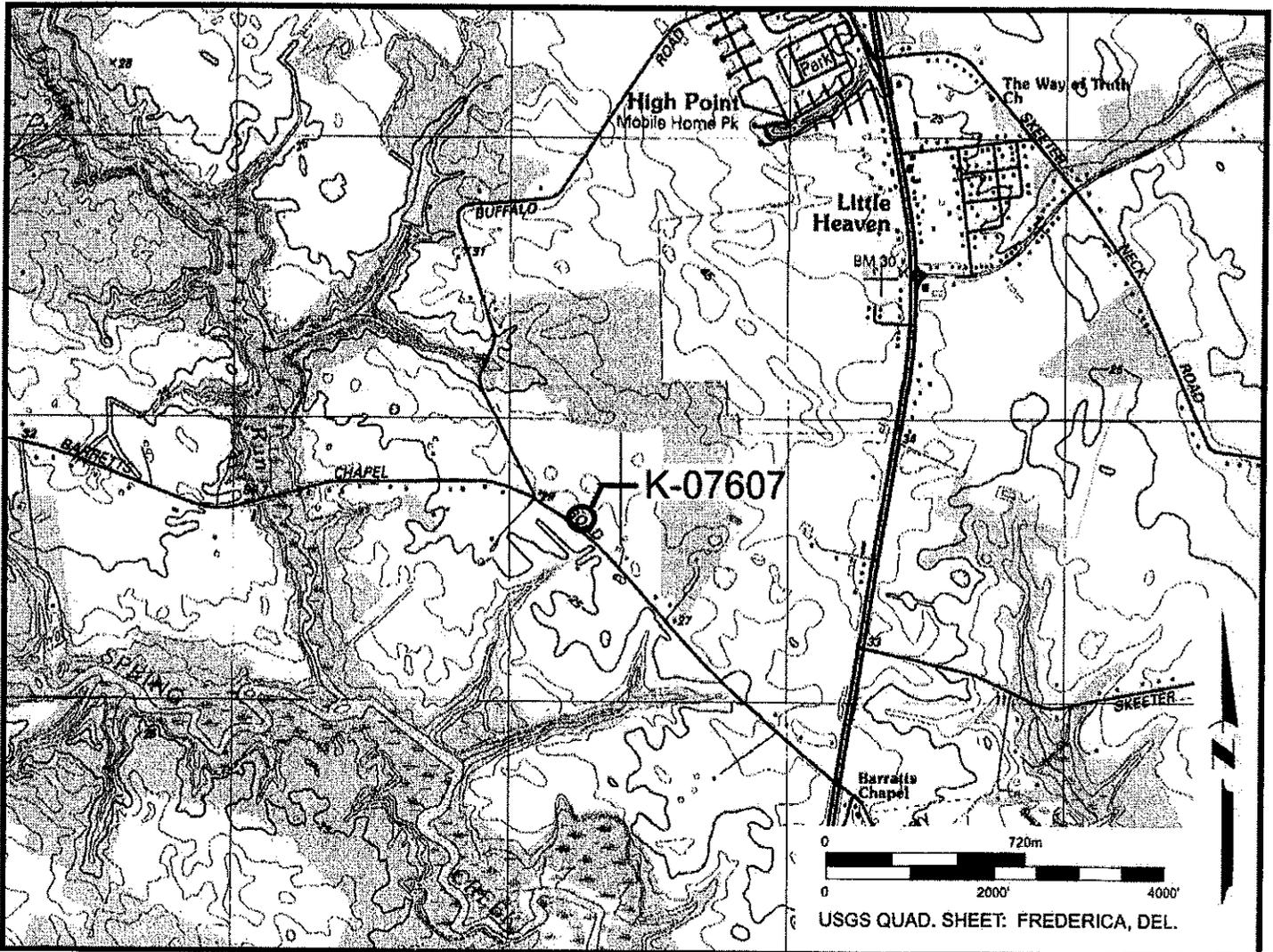
2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION  reason: \_\_\_\_\_

3. LOCATION MAP:

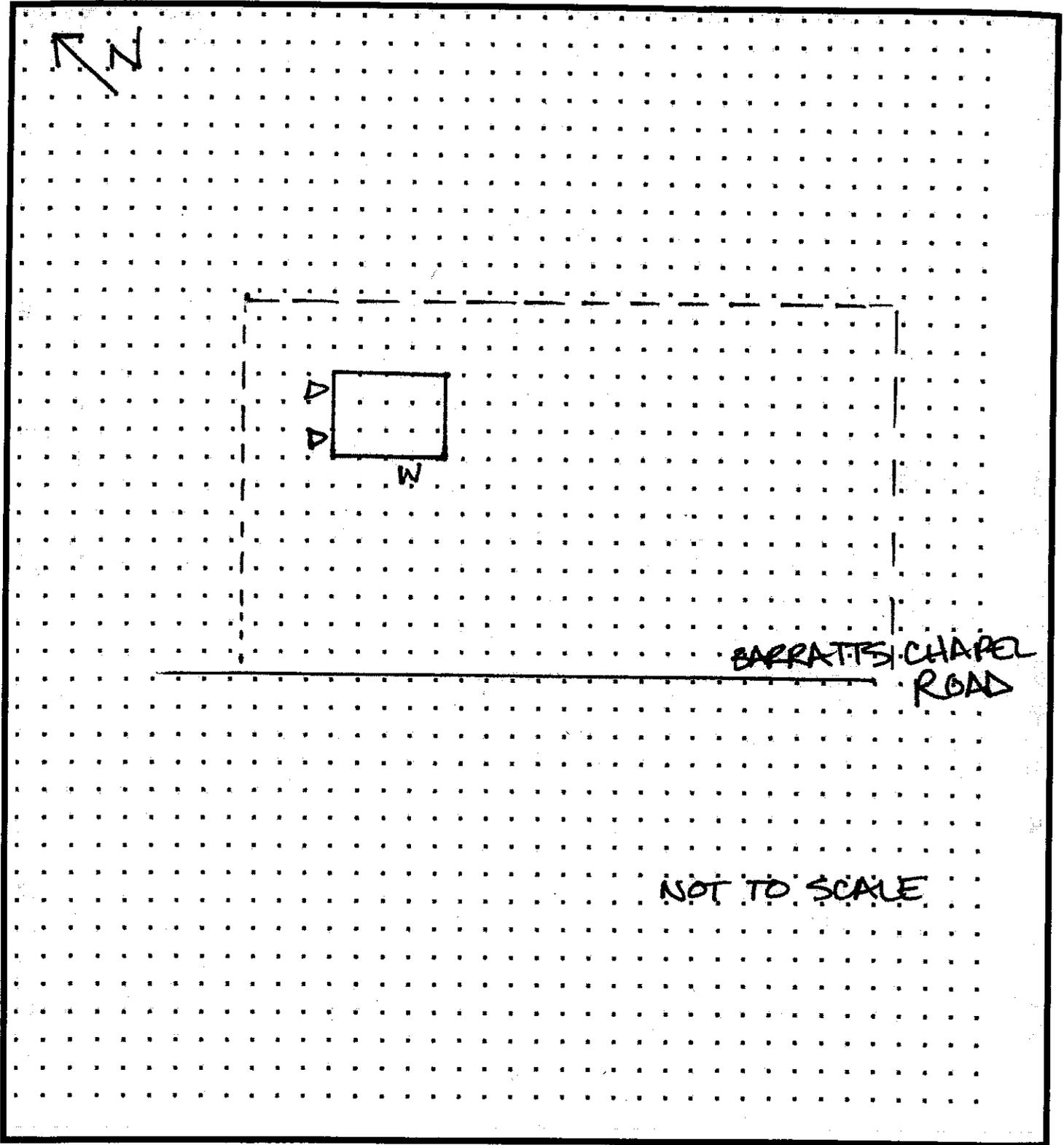
Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.

(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map )

INDICATE NORTH ON SKETCH



INDICATE NORTH ON PLAN



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PHOTOGRAPHIC INVENTORY

CRS # K-07607 Date 1/2008 Photo Roll # C-4868 Surveyor Laura C. Ricketts

Description

C-4868:22 Structure, W and S elevations, facing N; C-4868:23 Structure, W and S elevations, facing NE

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Negative location (if other than SHPO) Skelly and Loy, Inc.

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Attach contact print(s):



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