CRS No. K-7624 Name: Dwelling, 201 Bowers Beach Road
Address: 201 Bowers Beach Road Tax Parcel: 8-00-12216-01-0700-00001
Date of Construction/Major Alterations: ca. 1930/ca. 1960/ca. 1975
Time Period: 1880-1940±, Industrialization and Early Urbanization
Geographic Zone: Upper Peninsula
Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Engineering, and Decorative Arts (Residential Architecture) and Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes (Community Development)

Description
This residential property is located on the north side of Bowers Beach, south of the village of Little Heaven, in South Murderkill Hundred, Kent County, Delaware. The property includes a *circa*-1930 Front Gable dwelling and a *circa*-2005 garage, clad in vinyl siding. The one-story dwelling sits back from Bowers Beach Road and faces south, parallel to the roadway. The dwelling was moved to this location ca. 1960 from Bowers Beach (east of the project area). The dwelling rests on a concrete block foundation, is clad in aluminum siding, and has a front gable roof, sheathed in asphalt shingles. An interior brick and concrete block chimney extends from the roof's east slope. A hipped-roof porch extends from the façade (south elevation) and shelters the three-bay-wide south elevation. The asphalt-shingle-clad hipped roof is supported by four evenly spaced, wrought iron posts set into a poured concrete deck and a rusticated concrete block foundation. A *circa*-1975 shed roof addition extends from the north elevation of the dwelling. The addition rests on a concrete block foundation, is clad in aluminum siding, and is sheathed with asphalt shingles. The dwelling and addition are lit by one-over-one light, double-hung sash wood windows set into aluminum surrounds. A paneled wood door with six lights provides access to the interior in the south elevation, while a wood door with a single light provides access to the rear addition in the east elevation. A *circa*-2005 garage is located northeast of the dwelling. Resting on a poured concrete foundation, the steel-studded garage is framed in plywood and clad in vinyl siding. The gable-front roof is sheathed with standing seam metal. The property is minimally landscaped and the western property boundary is tree-lined.

Historical Narrative
According to the current tenant and the neighbor at 171 Bowers Beach Road, this dwelling was moved to this location in the 1960s. An aerial photograph of the area from 1961 indicates that the dwelling was in this location by this date. The neighbor indicated the dwelling was built by the Postal family. The property is currently owned by Marie Greenly.

National Register Evaluation
The property at 201 Bowers Beach Road was evaluated as a Front Gable Cottage. Although located along the north side of Bowers Beach Road amidst other residential strip development, the property was moved to this location and does not have potential to yield information on residential development practices and therefore is not eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A. Based on the background research conducted for this project, the property does not appear to be associated with an individual of historic importance; therefore, the property is not eligible under Criterion B. Due to its application of modern siding and the construction of the addition, the dwelling is an altered example of a common early- to mid-twentieth-century form and is not a notable example of the architecture of its time. The dwelling lacks integrity of materials, workmanship, and location; and thus the property is not eligible for National Register listing under Criterion C. The property does not appear to possess the potential to yield

information on building practices or methods of construction; therefore, the property does not appear to be eligible for listing under Criterion D. Due to lack of significance, the property at 201 Bowers Beach Road is not eligible for listing in the National Register.

The property is one of approximately 16 properties located amidst former farmland that was subdivided for residential construction during the late 1940s to mid 1950s and again in the 1970s. The majority of the residences along Bowers Beach Road, east of U.S. 113, were constructed ca. 1950 to present-day, with earlier examples that were moved to the small rectangular lots from other locations. These dates reflect a wide range of construction patterns and thus the development is not an early example of the common twentieth-century trend of subdividing lands located close to major highways. Therefore, the strip development is not eligible under Criterion A. The strip development does not appear to be associated with persons of critical importance to the historic development of the area; therefore, the property is not eligible for listing under Criterion B. The strip development contains dwellings that were constructed during a variety of time periods and include a wide range of forms. The development lacks a cohesive identity and thus the grouping could not be considered eligible under Criterion C as a distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction. The development does not appear to possess the potential to yield information on twentieth-century land development practices; therefore, the development does not appear to be eligible for listing under Criterion D.

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K-7624. Photograph 1: Overview of 201 Bowers Beach Road, looking northwest. The dwelling was moved to this location from Bowers Beach in the 1960s. The dwelling is clad in aluminum siding and is lit by one-over-one light, double-hung sash, wood windows set into aluminum surrounds.

K-7624: Photograph 2: Dwelling, north and west elevations, looking southeast. This rear addition was constructed ca. 1975.

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	K-7624. Photograph 3: Garage, west and south elevations, view looking southeast. This modular garage was placed on the property ca. 2005.

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS #	K-7624
SPO Map	12-13-19
Hundred	South Murderkill
Quad	Frederica
Other	8-00-12216-01-0700-000

1. **HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION:** Dwelling, 201 Bowers Beach Road

2. **ADDRESS/LOCATION:** 201 Bowers Beach Road

3. **TOWN/NEAREST TOWN:** Little Heaven vicinity? ☒

4. **MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE:** building ☒ structure ☐ site ☐ object ☐ landscape ☐ district ☐

5. **MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY:** Residential

6. **PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable):**
SR1, Little Heaven Grade Separated Intersection Improvements

7. **ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:**

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	Dwelling
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: Catherine M. Dluzak/Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator name: Barbara Frederick/Sr. Architectural Historian

Principal Investigator signature: B. Frederick

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company **Date:** 09/24/2008

9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS: **CRS# K-7624**

According to the tenant and the neighbor at 171 Bowers Beach Road, this dwelling was moved to this location in the 1960s from Bowers Beach. The dwelling apparently sat next to the beach, but its precise location is unknown. The dwelling appears in its present day location on a 1961 aerial photograph of the area.

A *circa*-2005 garage rests north of the dwelling. The property is flanked to the east by a *circa*-1975 dwelling and to the west by a 1951 Cape Cod dwelling. Lots subdivided from farmland in the late 1940s and early 1950s are located along Bowers Beach Road.

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)

- ☐ Agriculture
- ☐ Forestry
- ☐ Trapping/Hunting
- ☐ Mining/Quarrying
- ☐ Fishing/Oystering
- ☐ Manufacturing
- ☐ Retailing/Wholesaling
- ☐ Finance
- ☐ Professional Services
- ☐ Transportation and Communication
- ☒ Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes
- ☒ Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts
- ☐ Government
- ☐ Religion
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Community Organizations
- ☐ Occupational Organizations
- ☐ Major Families, Individuals and Events

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY
MAIN BUILDING FORM

CRS # K-7624

1. **ADDRESS/LOCATION:** 201 Bowers Beach Road

2. **FUNCTION(S):** Historic Dwelling current Dwelling

3. **YEAR BUILT:** 1930 **CIRCA?:** ☒ **ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Unknown

4. **STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN:** Gable-front cottage

5. **INTEGRITY:** Original site ☐ moved ☒

if moved, from where	other location's CRS #	year
Bowers Beach	Not previously surveyed	ca. 1960
N/A	N/A	N/A

list major alterations and additions with years (if known)	year
a. Shed-roof rear addition	ca. 1975
b. N/A	N/A

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: Rectilinear Stories: One
   Additions: A shed roof rear addition extends from the north elevation; rests on a concrete block foundation, and is clad in aluminum siding; 1/1 double hung sash wood windows

   b Structural system (if known): Frame

   c. Foundation: materials: Concrete block
   basement: full ☐ partial ☐ not visible ☒ no basement ☐

   d. Exterior walls (original if visible & any subsequent coverings): Aluminum siding

   e. Roof: shape: Front gable
   materials: Asphalt shingles
   cornice: Overhanging eaves
   dormers: N/A
   chimney: location(s): East slope, interior, brick and concrete block

8. **DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:**

   a. Facade: Direction: South
   1) Bays Three (3)
   2) Windows 2
      Fenestration Regular
      type 1/1 double-hung sash wood
      trim Aluminum
      shutters N/A

Facade (cont'd)

3) Door(s) 1
- **location Center**
- **Type Paneled wood with 6 lights; vinyl storm door**
- **trim Wood**

4) Porch(es) Rusticated concrete block foundation with a poured concrete deck; wrought iron columns support an asphalt-shingle-clad hipped roof

b. Side: Direction: East

1) Bays Three (3) (2 core, 1 addition)

2) Windows 2
- **Fenestration Irregular**
- **type (1) 1/1 double-hung sash wood; (1) paired 1/1 double-hung sash wood**
- **trim Wood**
- **shutters Louvered metal inoperable - flank paired window**

3) Door(s) 1
- **location Addition**
- **type Wood with a large, single light; vinyl storm door**
- **trim Aluminum**

4) Porch(es) 4 poured concrete steps flanked by concrete blocks

c. Side: Direction: West

1) Bays Four (4) (3 core, 1 addition)

2) Windows 4
- **Fenestration Irregular**
- **type 1/1 double-hung sash wood with aluminum storms**
- **trim Aluminum**
- **shutters Louvered metal inoperable - flank 2nd and 4th bays**

3) Door(s) 0
- **location N/A**
- **type N/A**
- **trim N/A**

4) Porch(es) N/A

d. Rear: Direction: North

1) Bays Two (2)

2) Windows 2
- **Fenestration Regular**
- **type 1/1 double-hung sash wood**
- **trim Wood**
- **Shutters N/A**

3) Door(s) N/A
- **location N/A**
- **type N/A**
- **trim N/A**

4) Porch(es) N/A

9. INTERIOR: Not accessible.

10. LANDSCAPING: Minimal landscaping. Western property boundary is tree-lined.

11. OTHER COMMENTS: A modern garage constructed ca. 2005 is located near the northeastern corner of the dwelling. The current tenant indicated that the dwelling was moved from Bowers Beach in 1975 according to date stone on addition; neighbor to west, however, indicates dwelling was moved in the 1960s.

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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY MAP FORM

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1. **ADDRESS/LOCATION:** 201 Bowers Beach 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)

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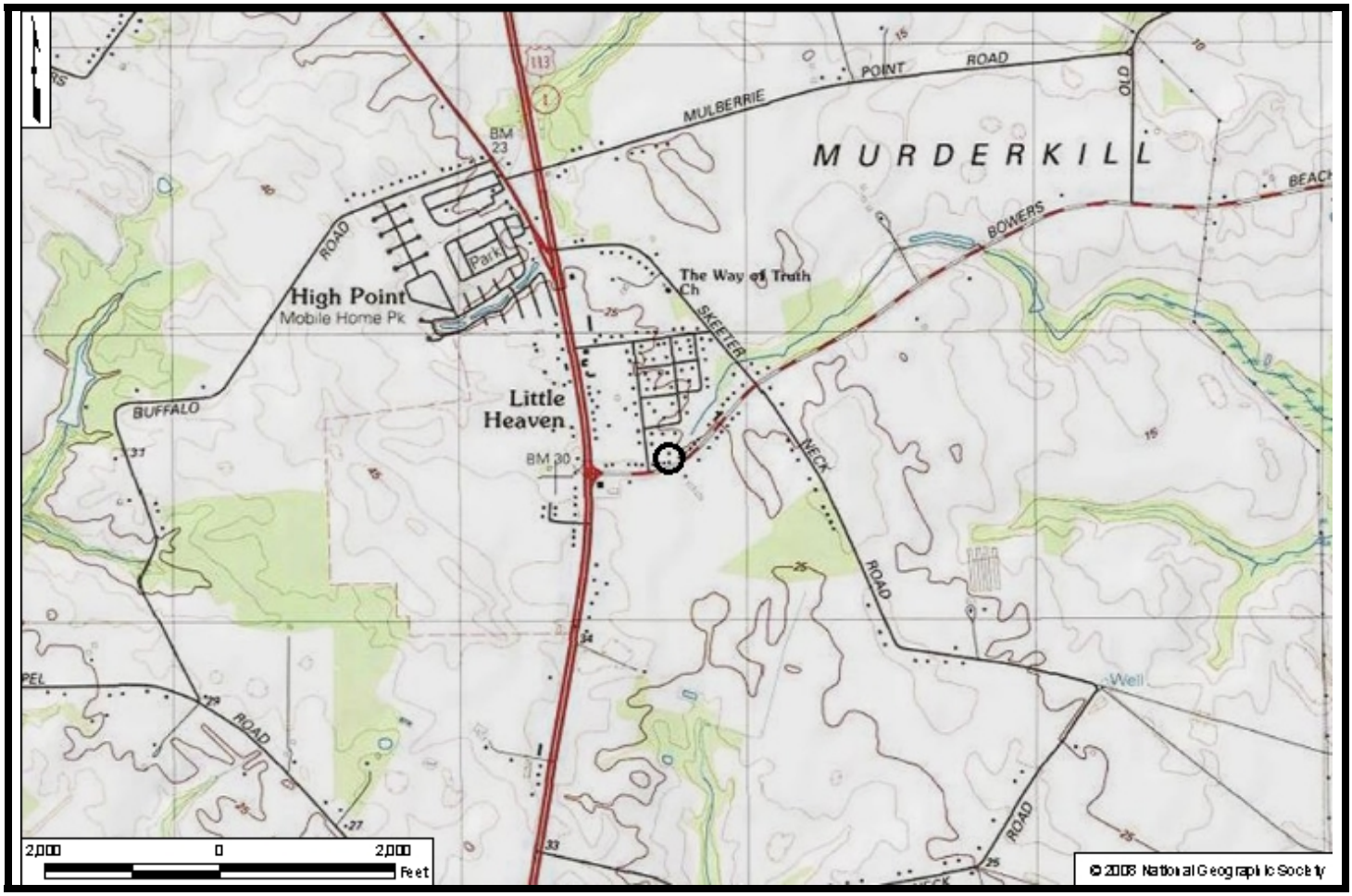

4. SITE PLAN:

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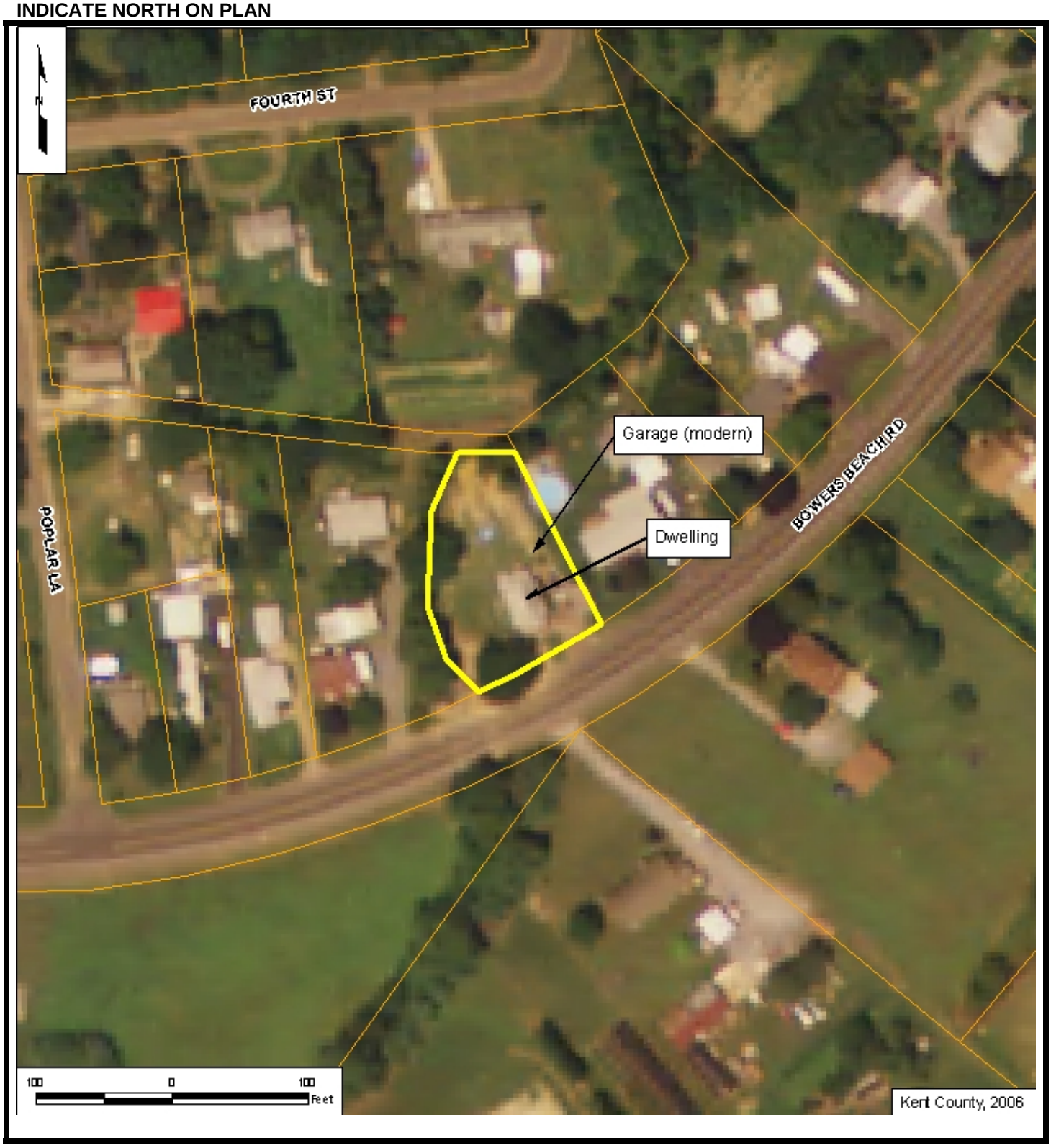

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