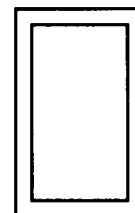


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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address US Route 50	Common ☒ /Historic Name/ ☐ Both ☒ Hott House	Field Survey # 00005	Site # (SHPO Only) HM-0108
Town or Community Romney	County Hampshire	Negative No. Roll 1, Frames 10-11	NR Listed Date
Architect/Builder	Date of Construction ca. 1880-1920	Style Vernacular	
Exterior Siding/Materials Vinyl siding	Roofing Material Composition shingle	Foundation Concrete block/Stone	
Property Use or Function Residence ☒ Commercial ☐ Other ☐	UTM Zone 17 E691185 N4356506		
Survey Organization & Date GAI Consultants, Inc. March 21, 2002	Quadrangle Name Romney		
	Part of What Survey/FR# Romney Bridge Replacement		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS MapSITE NO.
00005

Present Owners John W. Hott Phone #	Owners Mailing Address PO Box 110 Romney, WV 26757-0110 Map 27, parcel 12
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Describe Setting The house stands on a raised embankment adjacent to the B & O Railroad tracks and overlooking US Route 50 and the South Branch River. The property backs up on a forested hill. The immediate surroundings are the small 4 - 5 building hamlet of West Romney Post Office/Vanderlip.	.287 Acres N/A Archaeological Artifacts Present
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Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present) This 2-story, 3-bay, gable-roofed frame building stands on a raised basement. There is an exterior stone chimney on the east gable end. There is a 1-story shed-roofed porch on the south and a shed-roofed ell on the east.	2 Stories 3 Front Bays (Use Continuation Sheets)
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Alterations ☒ Yes ☐ No	If yes, describe The house is covered by vinyl-siding and the south porch has been enclosed. The original windows have been replaced with 1/1 sash windows.
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Additions ☐ Yes ☒ No	If yes, describe
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Describe All Outbuildings There is a 1-story, gable-roofed frame shed located to the northwest of the house.	(Use Continuation Sheets)
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Statement of Significance See continuation sheet	(Use Continuation Sheets)
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Bibliographical References Hampshire County Deed and Will records	(Use Continuation Sheets)
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Name

Hott House

Field Survey #

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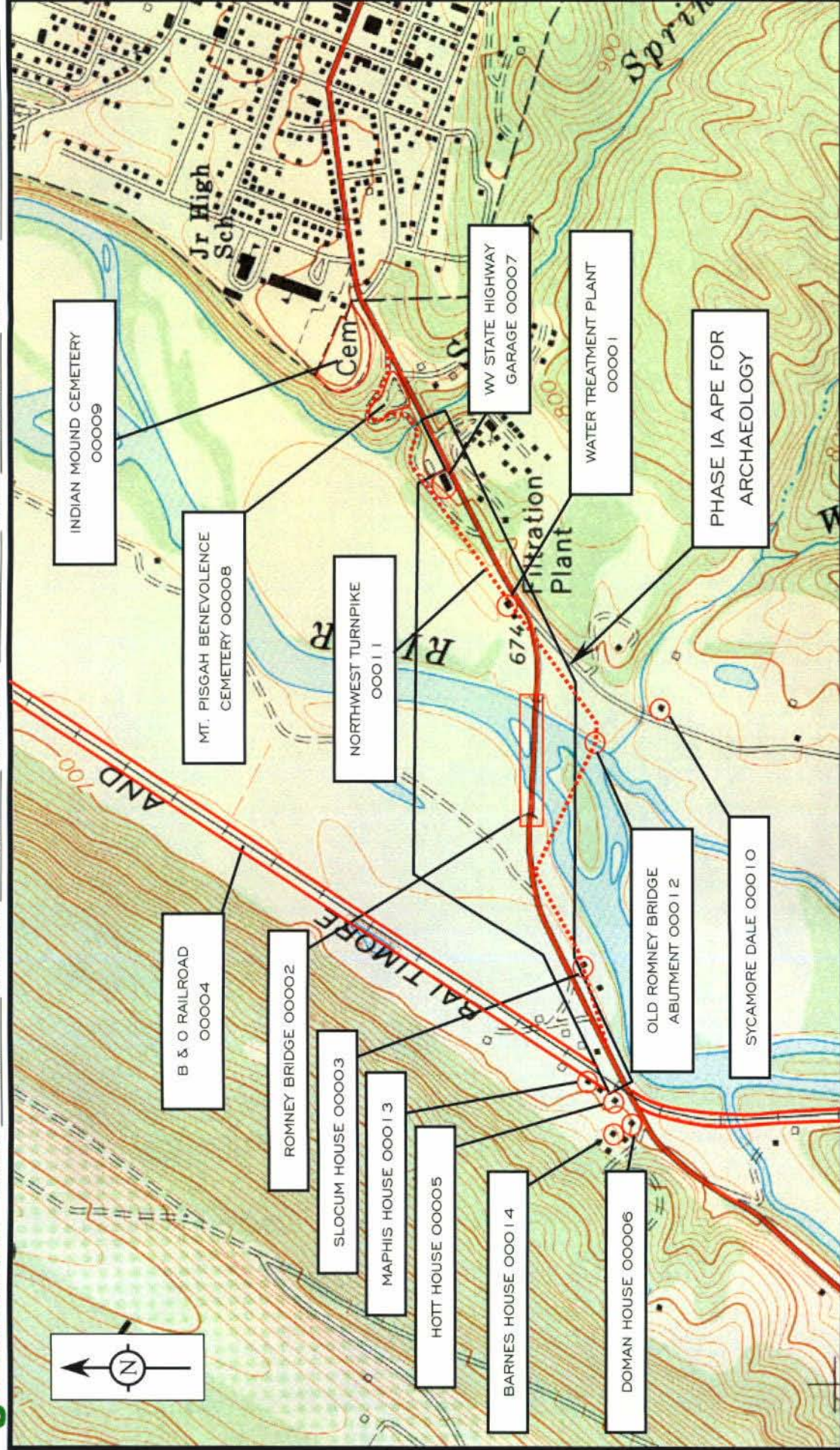
HISTORY

The earliest known reference to this house and property are contained in a February 1880 deed from A.R. Pendleton to C.S. Waite for nearly 1,200 acres located west of the South Branch of the Potomac River (Deed Book 52, page 223). Property tax assessment records from between 1880 and 1887 do not indicate any improvements on the property. In 1888, 500 dollars is indicated for improvements, but the improvements are not described, nor is their location known. In 1905, a 23-acre parcel including the Hott House property was sold to the South Branch Development Company for 11,000 dollars (Deed Book 78, page 331). In 1920, the South Branch Development Company disbursed its real estate holdings and sold a 1/4-acre tract to J.B. Savile, including the "house in which said Savile resides" (Deed Book 86, page 201). Based on the archival research and what few historic architectural features are apparent on the exterior, the Hott House appears to date from between 1880 and 1900. The house is shown on the 1928 USGS map of the Romney area.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFIGANCE

The Hott House is not associated with an event or pattern of events significant on the national, state or local level and is not NRHP eligible under Criterion A. The Hott House is not associated with a person significant on the national, state, or local level and is not NRHP-eligible under Criterion B. The Hott House does not embody a distinctive style or method of construction, is not the work of an architect or master builder and is not NRHP-eligible under Criterion C. The house has experienced numerous alterations that have caused it to lose its integrity of materials, design, and workmanship. These alterations include the addition of vinyl siding, the replacement of original windows with modern windows, the enclosing of a porch on the south elevation with non-historic materials, and the removal of a chimney on the west gable end. Due to replacement of doors and windows, closing in of the porch, and the addition of vinyl siding, the Hott House lacks integrity of materials and design.





LEGEND = NORTHWESTERN TURNPIKE ROUTE	SCALE 0 1000FT	FIGURE 1
	LOCATIONS OF ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORIED FOR ROMNEY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	

SOURCE: USGS 7.5-MINUTE ROMNEY, WV QUADRANGLE (1973, PHOTOREVISED IN 1979)