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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address 1999 Cumberland Rd	Common/Historic Name/Both X O O	Field Survey #	Site # (SHPO Only) MM-1425
Town or Community Romney	County Hampshire	Negative No.	NR Listed Date
Architect/Builder	Date of Construction 1961	Style	
Exterior Siding/Materials Field Stone/Wood siding	Roofing Material Asphalt Shingle	Foundation CMU block	
Property Use or Function Residence X Commercial O Other O	UTM#		
Survey Organization & Date FEMA, 2012	Quadrangle Name		
	Part of What Survey/FR# RMU-77		

Sketch Map of Property
Or Attach Copy of USGS Map



Site No.

Present Owners Robert Jr. and Loretta Troiano Phone # 402-209-3107	Owners Mailing Address HC 65 Box 4110 Romney, WV 26757
Describe Setting The house faces to the southeast on a rear-sloping parcel of land, along the west side of Hwy 28. The surrounding rural area consists primarily of residential houses of similar age and vernacular ranch style. The Baltimore & Ohio railroad runs approximately 200 feet to the northwest (rear) of the house, and the South Branch of the Potomac River flows another ~200 feet beyond the railroad. 1.41 Acres _____ Archaeological Artifacts Present	
Description of Building or Site (Original and Present) 1 Stories 3 Front Bays One story side-gable roof house, with a single story rear addition. Sitting atop a CMU foundation, the house has approximately 1300 sq. feet of basement below the main dwelling space. The lower portion of the exterior is clad in a field stone veneer, while the upper portion is clad with wood siding. An asphalt shingle roof covers the house. (Use Continuation Sheets)	
Alterations ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe The original garage was converted to an interior dwelling space.	
Additions ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe An open air/covered roof carport attached to the house's rear elevation.	
Describe All Outbuildings 2 car carport – consists of 6 wrought iron posts supporting a finished asphalt shingle roof. Carport roof abuts main house and runs parallel with the rear elevation. (Use Continuation Sheets)	
Statement of Significance See Continuation Sheets (Use Continuation Sheets)	
Bibliographical References See Continuation Sheets (Use Continuation Sheets)	
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Statement of Significance:

The city of Romney, county seat of Hampshire County, West Virginia, is located in the lower valley of the Potomac River's South Branch. Originally settled in 1725 by hunters and traders, Job and John Pearsall were among the area's original homesteaders; thus, Romney was formerly known as Pearsall's Flats and was the site of the French and Indian War stockade Fort Pearsall. Romney holds the title of West Virginia's oldest incorporated town, chartered December 23, 1762. Renamed in 1762 for the Cinque Ports town of Romney, located in Kent County, England by Thomas Fairfax, the city still bears many place names and symbols from its colonial past.

During the 19th Century, Romney changed hands during the Civil War at least 56 times. Most of the town's residents sympathized with the South. In June 1866, Romney's Indian Mound Cemetery hosted one of the reunified nation's first Confederate grave decoration ceremonies, and in 1867 an early monument commemorating the Confederate dead was erected there.

1999 Cumberland Road is located outside of the city of Romney in an unincorporated rural outlying area. The house has been altered several times since its original construction in 1961, which detracts from any potential historic significance. Additionally, neither the house nor the land parcel appears to be associated with the early development of the Romney community. The structure has suffered from repeated flood damages, recorded most recently in 2001 and 2006, due to its location in the floodplain. Consequently, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has determined that this property is **not eligible** for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, **nor is it located in an eligible historic district.**

Note: This property is proposed to be acquired and demolished via a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program #1918-DR-WV-004.

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USGS Topographic Map



1999 Cumberland Road, Romney, WV
Hampshire County
39.372838, -78.741949

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Photographs



Photo 1: Front (southeast) elevation.



Photo 2: Left side (southwest) elevation.



Photo 3: Rear (northwest) elevation.



Photo 4: Right side (northeast) elevation.

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Site Plan with Photographs Keyed

