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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
Virginia	
COUNTY:	
Pittsylvania	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
69.11.45.0083	11/12/69

1. NAME

COMMON:
Little Cherrystone

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Little Cherrystone

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: .3 mi. W of Little Cherrystone Creek, .1 mi. N of Rt. 703, .1 mi. N of intersection of Rt. 703 and Rt. 832.

CITY OR TOWN: Chatham vicinity

STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Virginia	45	Pittsylvania	143

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District ☐	Building ☒	Public ☐	Public Acquisition:	Occupied ☒	Yes:
Site ☐	Structure ☐	Private ☒	In Process ☐	Unoccupied ☐	Restricted ☐
Object ☐		Both ☐	Being Considered ☐	Preservation work in progress ☐	Unrestricted ☐
					No: ☒

PRESENT USE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Agricultural ☐	Government ☐	Park ☐	Transportation ☐	Comments ☐
Commercial ☐	Industrial ☐	Private Residence ☒	Other *(Specify)* ☐	
Educational ☐	Military ☐	Religious ☐		
Entertainment ☐	Museum ☐	Scientific ☐		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Mr. Woodell L. Saunders

STREET AND NUMBER:
Peach Street

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Chatham,	Virginia	45

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Pittsylvania County Court House, Clerk's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Chatham	Virginia	45

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 238-97 acres

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1958 Federal ☒ State ☐ County ☐ Local ☐

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Washington	District of Columbia	08

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One) Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☒ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed ☐	
INTEGRITY	(Check One) Altered ☐ Unaltered ☒	(Check One) Moved ☐ Original Site ☒

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL *(If known)* PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Little Cherrystone consists of two major building units plus at least two minor sections. The north wing contains the oldest portion, which is a frame, one-story structure. This wing, obviously built in two sections, has a broad, Flemish bond chimney with random glazed headers and an English bond foundation on the east front. At a right angle to this wing and connected by a narrow, two-story frame hyphen is a circa 1800, two-story brick structure with gable roof and exterior end chimney. The brick is laid in three-course American bond with queen closers. The nine-over-nine sash windows have thin Federalist muntins, architrave framing and plaster flat arches with double keystones. The fine cornice with its dentils, mutules and guttae are matched by the arched entrance doorway on the east front which uses pilasters, strapwork and pierced detailings. The doorway is unfortunately in a deteriorated condition. A west porch, which until recently also existed in a deteriorated condition, was removed and replaced by a frame wing.

The interiors in the original wing are extremely simple and reflect a later date. The corner fireplaces in the two original east rooms and the closed stair have been blocked up. But it is in the two rooms of the circa 1800 brick section where the exterior woodwork style is continued. The interior framing of the old entrance doorway, now a window, matches the exterior arch design, but the pilasters have been removed; architrave moldings frame all doors. The south room has a marbleized dado combined with imitation ashlar. The chair rail has a frieze of alternating reeded and fluted panels. The cornice combines a cable design with a corbel motif repeated from the exterior cornice. The mantel consists of twin turned colonnettes on either side of the fireplace with a frieze of three sunbursts above, each of which swells gently outward in a low convex curve. The marbleizing is repeated around the sunbursts and at either end of the frieze are small lancet arched tabernacles.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Pre-Columbian ☐	16th Century ☐	18th Century ☒	20th Century ☐
15th Century ☐	17th Century ☐	19th Century ☒	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)*

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Aboriginal	Education ☐	Political ☐	Urban Planning ☐
Prehistoric ☐	Engineering ☐	Religion/Philosophy ☐	Other *(Specify)* ☐
Historic ☐	Industry ☐	Science ☐	
Agriculture ☐	Invention ☐	Sculpture ☐	
Art ☒	Landscape Architecture ☐	Social/Humanitarian ☐	
Commerce ☐	Literature ☐	Theater ☐	
Communications ☐	Military ☐	Transportation ☐	
Conservation ☐	Music ☐		

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)*

The old frame wing of Little Cherrystone was probably on the land when Col. Robert Wooding of Halifax gave to Thomas Hill Wooding "a parcel of land containing 200 acres of Pittsylvania County on the draughts of Great Cherrystone Creek ..." just after the latter was married in 1790. Thomas Wooding, who probably built the brick addition, was commander of his home militia in Pittsylvania in 1806 and served in the House of Delegates between 1799 and 1821.

As a collection of traditional Virginia architectural styles, Little Cherrystone is a valuable example, especially considering the pleasant contrast of size and shape among the various units. Its finely carved and painted woodwork, especially on the interior, is exceptional not only for the South Piedmont area but as an example of provincial Virginia design.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Hurt, Frances Hallam and Madalene Vaden Fitzgerald, Eighteenth Century Landmarks of Pittsylvania County, Virginia. Lynchburg, Va.: The Blue Ridge Lithographic Corp., 1967, pp. 42-44.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY							OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE					
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SE	36°	48'	06"	79°	20'	00"							
SW	36°	48'	06"	79°	22'	50"							

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Staff, Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, James W. Moody, Jr., Director

ORGANIZATION: Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

DATE: July 25, 1969

STREET AND NUMBER:
Room 1116, Ninth Street State Office Building

CITY OR TOWN: Richmond

STATE: Virginia

CODE: 45

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name Edw. P. Alexander by JWM

Title Dr. Edward P. Alexander, Chairman
Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

Date 10-7-69

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Connally
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date NOV 12 1969

ATTEST:

William J. Murtagh
Keeper of The National Register

Date OCT 31 1969

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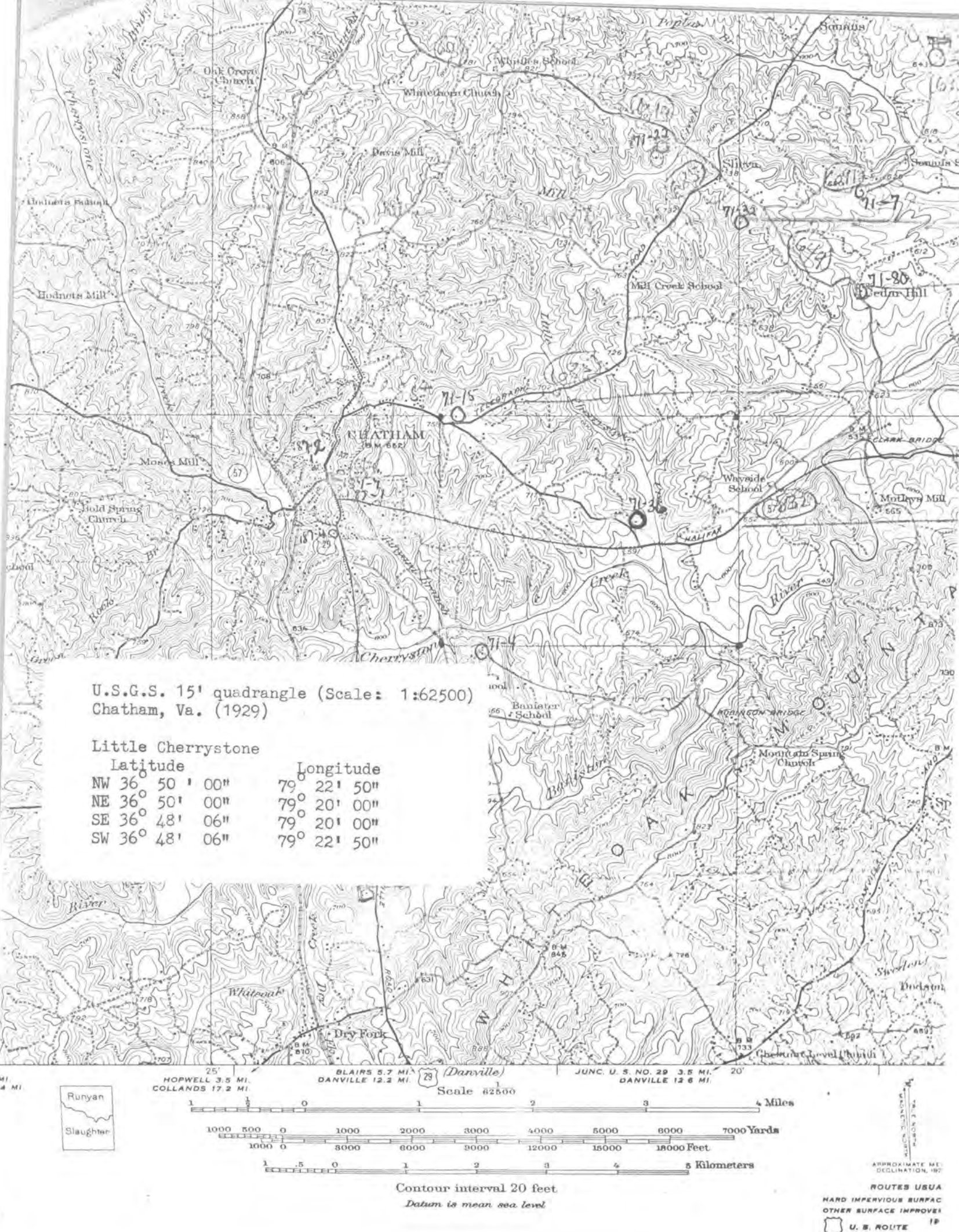
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Little Cherrystone
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Whitethorn Church
Davis Mill
Hodnots Mill
Mill Creek School
Cedar Hill
Moses Mill
Hold Spring Church
Whyside School
Motleys Mill
Banister School
Mountain Spring Church
Dry Fork
Chestnut Level Church
Runyan
Slaughter
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Little Cherrystone

SPRING GARDEN QUADRANGLE
VIRGINIA—PITTSYLVANIA CO.
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
SE/4 CHATHAM 15' QUADRANGLE

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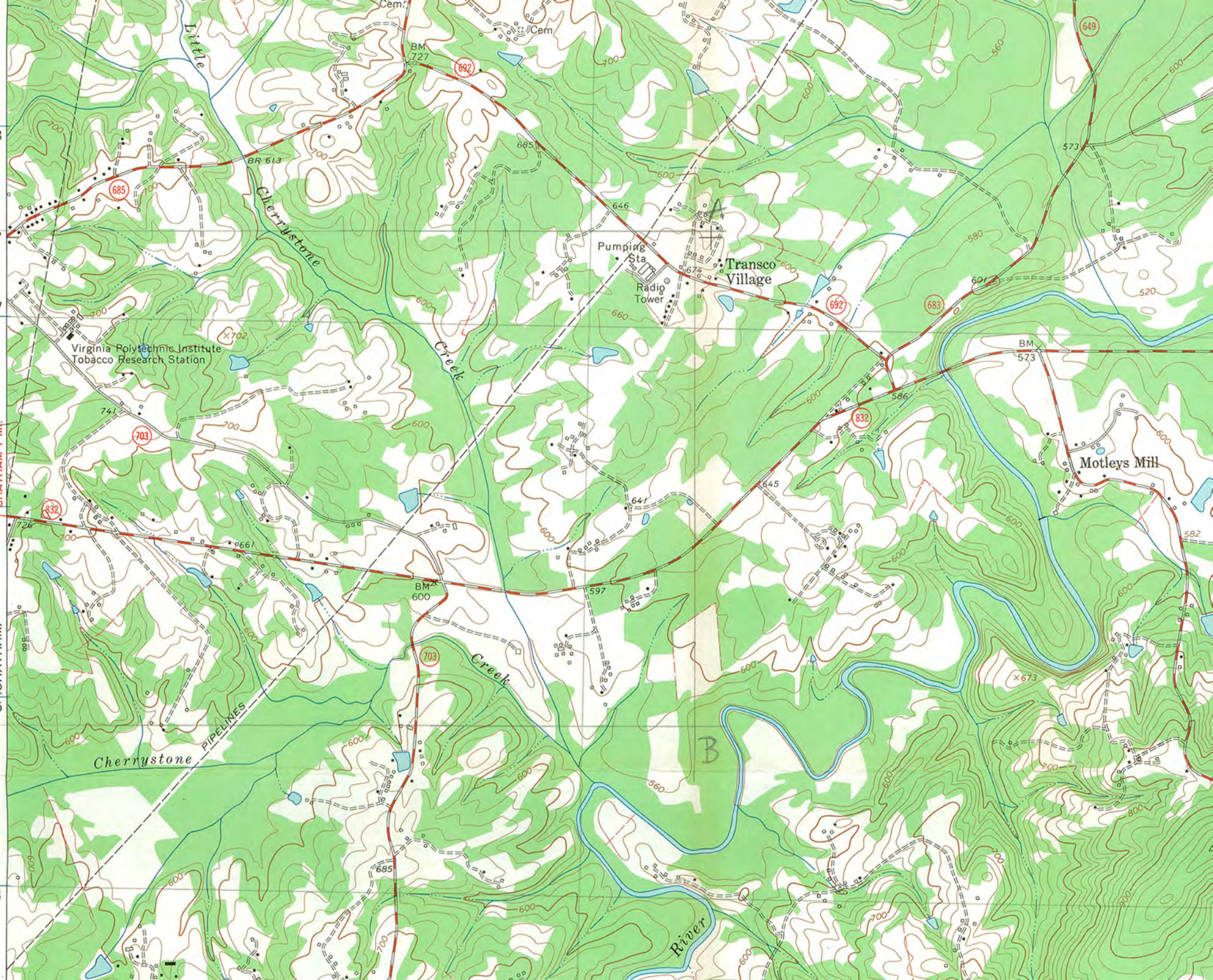

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SW/4 CHATHAM 15' QUADRANGLE

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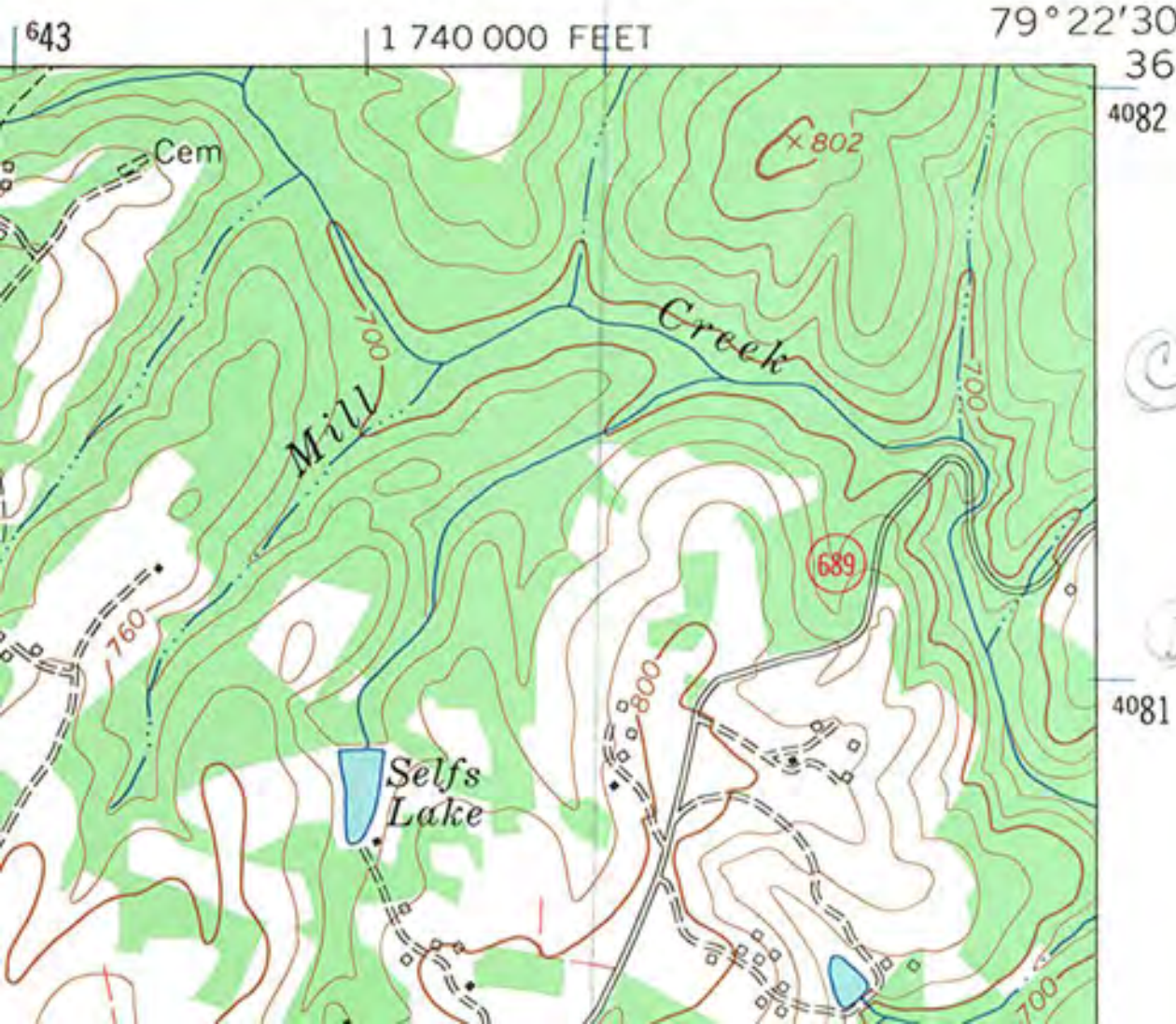

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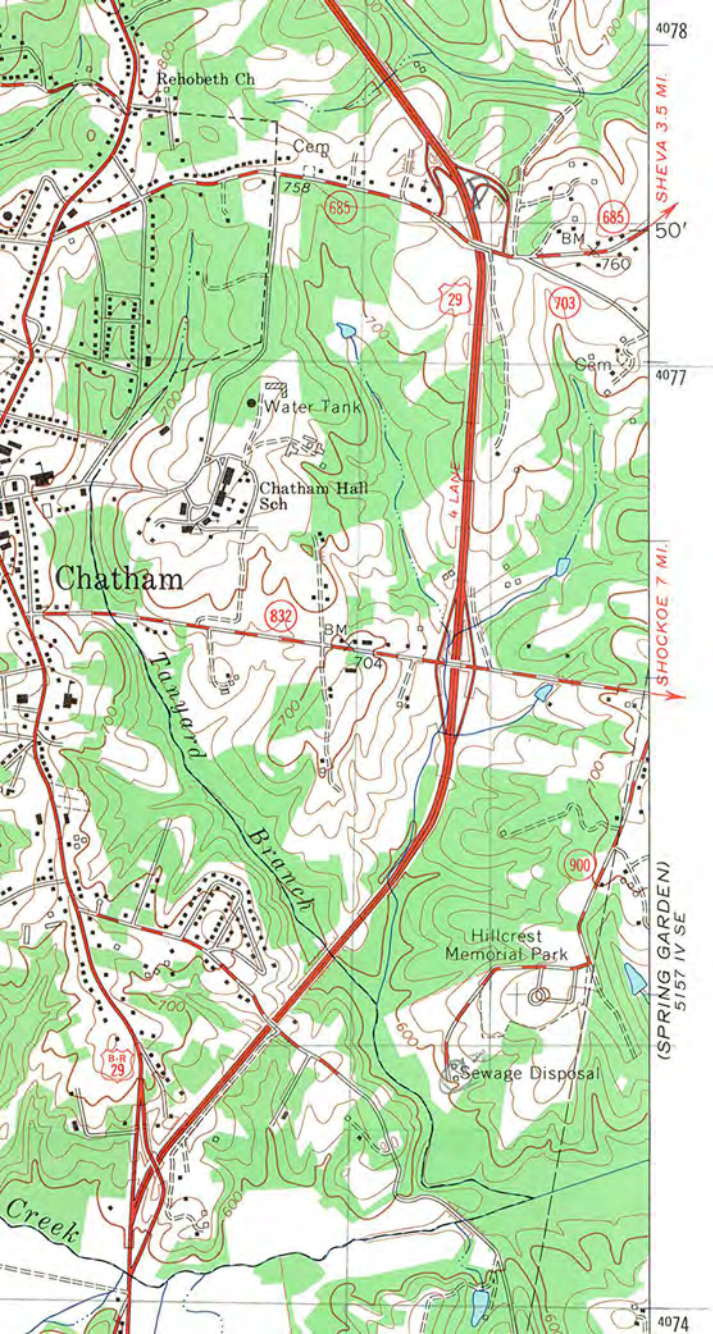
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