

**INDIVIDUAL INVENTORY FORM**

**NHDHR INVENTORY NUMBER: CON0173**

**Name, Location, Ownership**

- 1. Historic name: Shea Farm
- 2. District or area: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Street and number: 60 Iron Works Rd.
- 4. City or town: Concord
- 5. County: Merrimack
- 6. Current owner: State of NH

**Function or Use**

- 7. Current use(s): Women's half-way house
- 8. Historic use(s): residential/agricultural

**Architectural Information**

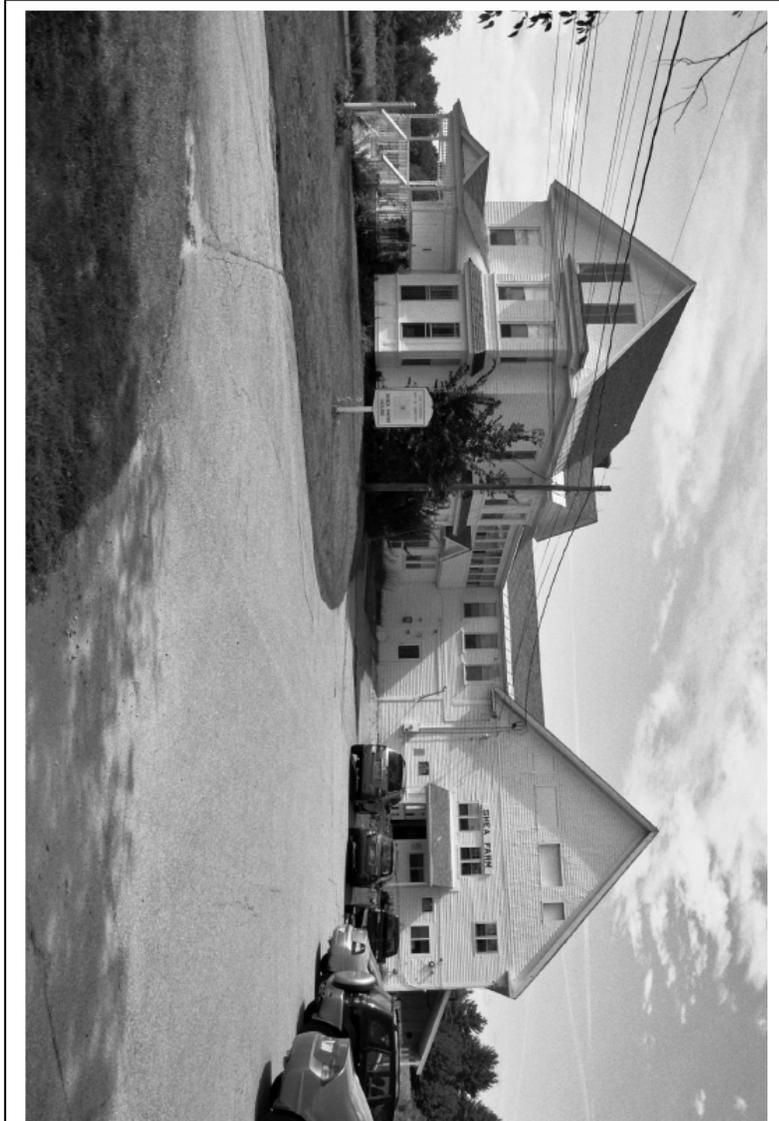
- 9. Style/type: Queen Anne
- 10. Architect/builder: Unknown
- 11. Source: \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Construction date: ca. 1890
- 13. Source: Visual analysis and research
- 14. Alterations, with dates: \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Moved? no  yes  date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Exterior Features**

- 16. Foundation: brick
- 17. Cladding: clapboard, & shingle
- 18. Roof material: asphalt shingles
- 19. Chimney material: brick
- 20. Type of roof: gable
- 21. Chimney location: ell ridge
- 22. Number of stories: 2½
- 23. Entry location: Sidehall
- 24. Windows: Queen Anne, 1/1, 2/2  
Replacement? no  yes  date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Site Features**

- 25. Setting: Rural
- 26. Outbuildings: Barn, Poultry house
- 27. Landscape features: Cornfields, woodland
- 28. Acreage: 33.1 acres
- 29. Tax map/parcel: 93/1/1



**Description :** Front view of house and attached barn

- 35. Photo #1
- 36. Date Aug.20, 2008
- 37. Roll #1      Frame #27      Direction: N
- 38. Negative stored at: NHDHR

- 30 UTM reference: 19.292550 / 4783720
- 31. USGS quadrangle and scale: Concord, 1:24000

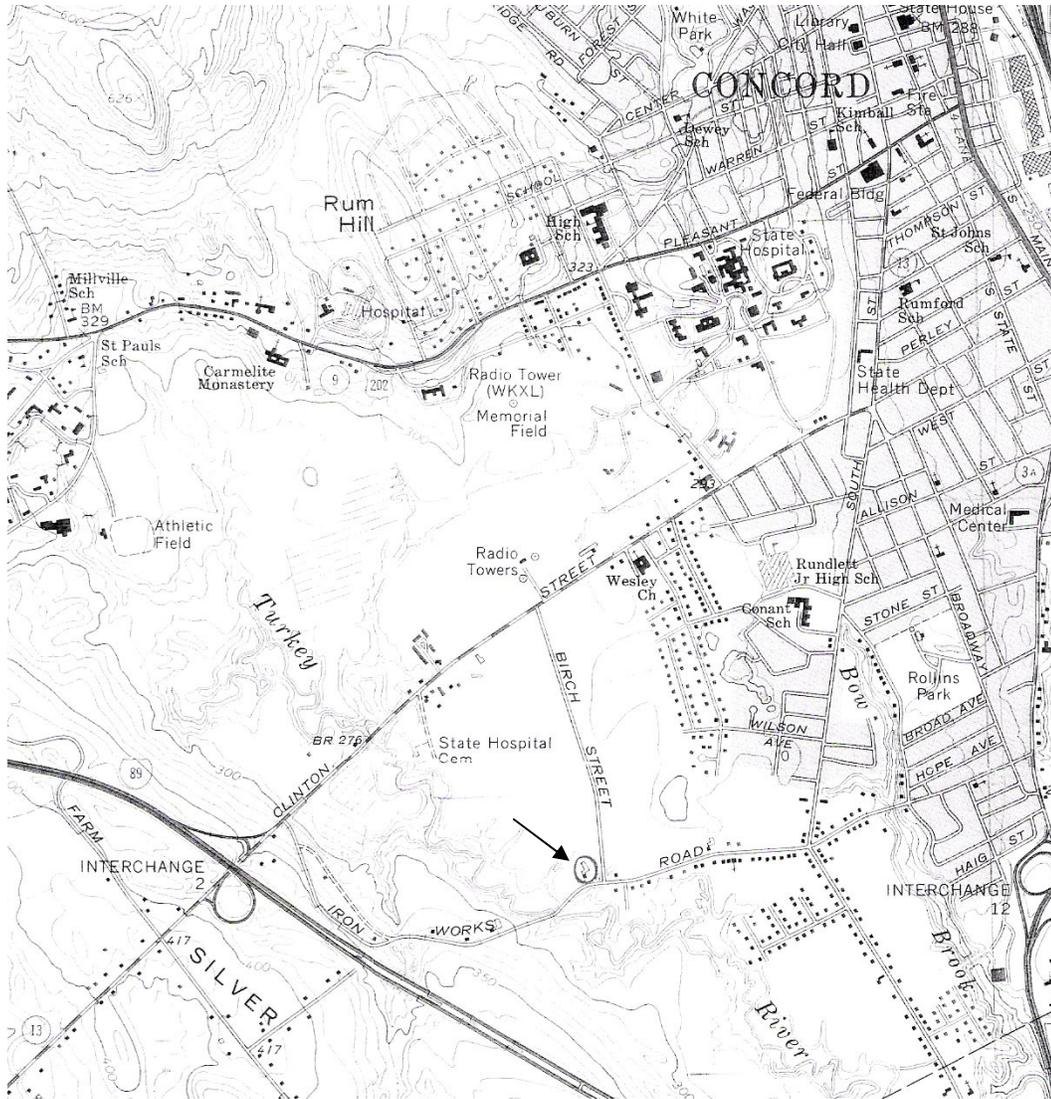
**Form prepared by**

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- 33. Organization: for the Concord Heritage Commission
- 34. Date of survey: Aug. 20, 2008

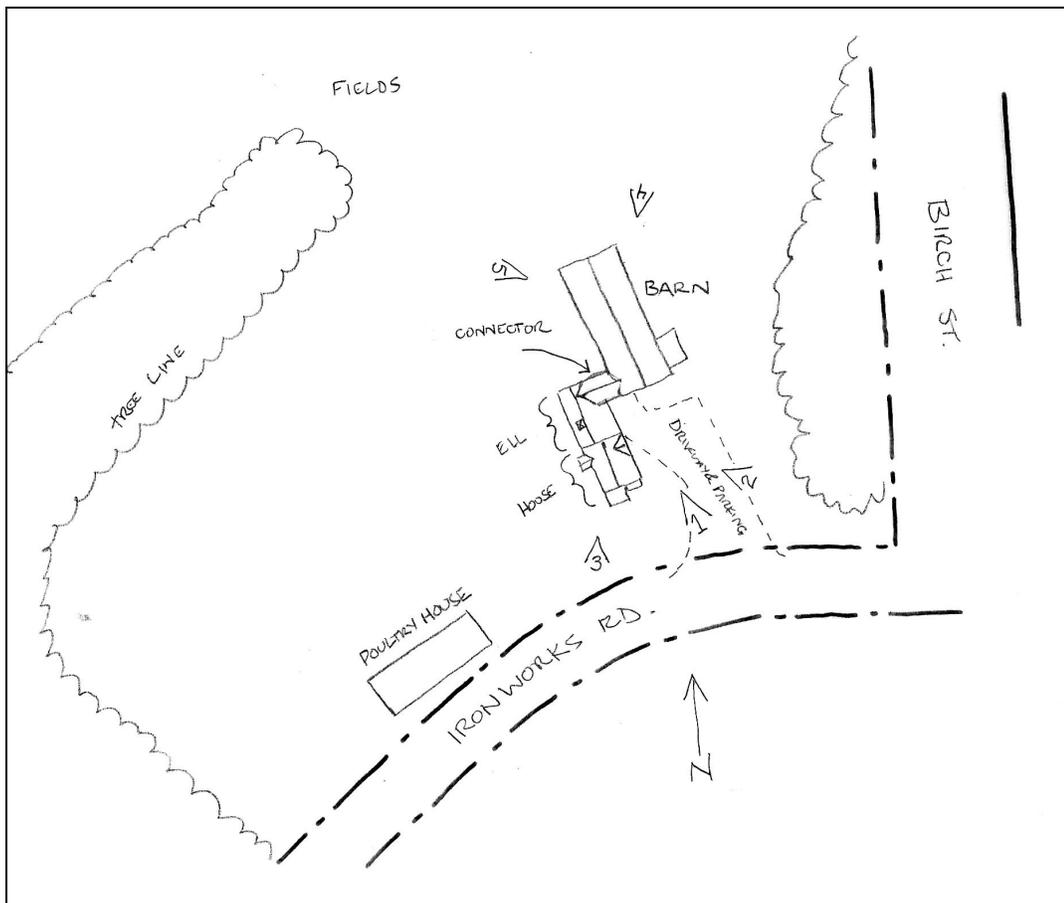
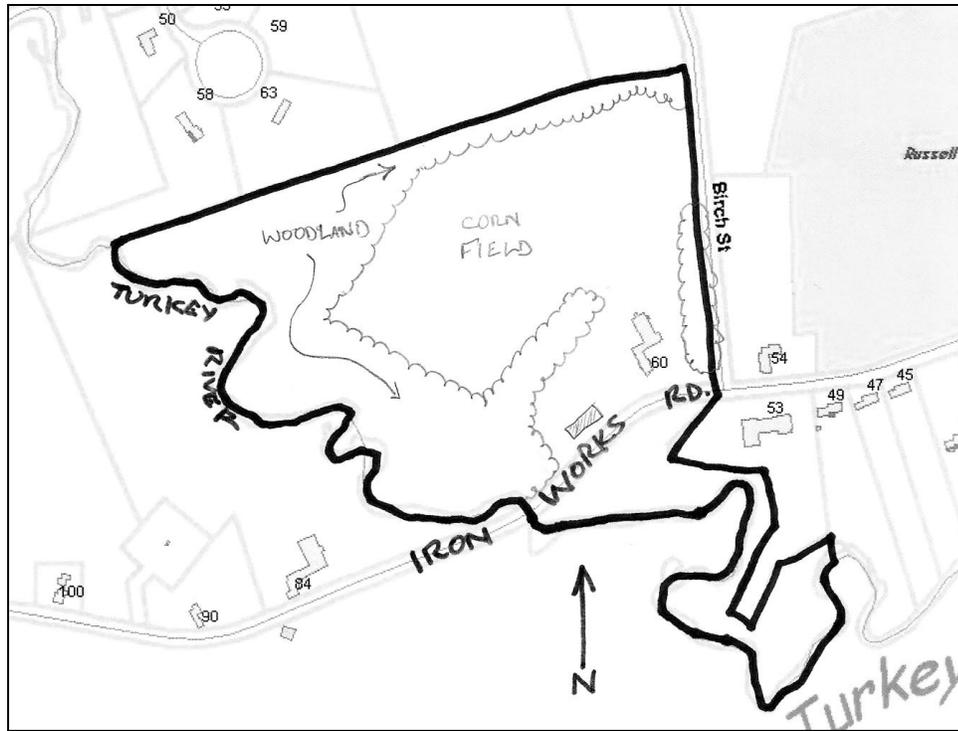
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39. LOCATION MAP: USGS map, not to scale



40. PROPERTY MAP & PHOTOGRAPH KEY:



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This form was completed as part of a survey of rural agricultural properties within the City of Concord, a project sponsored by the Heritage Commission. The overall purpose of the project was to raise public awareness of the city's rich agricultural legacy through a combination of identification, education, public policy and preservation planning tools.

Due to limited resources, the survey focused on barns and outbuildings that met all of the following criteria: (1) were sited on at least 10 acres of land; (2) they were located in a fairly rural area and not within the city center or an outlying village; (3) the surrounding land retained historic landscape features, such as open fields, pasture, and stone walls; (4) the outbuildings retained a high level of integrity from their agricultural era. None of the barns on the St. Paul's School campus were included. In addition, a few landmark barns, even if on a small lot, were included. Approximately 45 properties were included in the survey. Whenever possible, an interior inspection of the buildings was undertaken.

The survey was conducted at the reconnaissance-level. Historic background information was acquired from questionnaires sent to each property owner, personal interviews, a review of historic maps, and limited research in local histories. Certainly, additional research data on farms is available from population and, in particular, agricultural census records, and owners are encouraged to pursue those to add to this data base.

When properties were part of a larger, agricultural district, the form locates them as such, and a separate form documenting that historic agricultural neighborhood was prepared.

**41. Historical Background and Role in the Town or City's Development:**

The map of 1892 shows Mrs. Knowles in residence here.

According to the Corrections staff on duty, this property was originally the caretaker's house for the State Hospital. The Corrections Department took control of the property in the 1970s and used it as a men's half-way facility. In 2004 it became a corrections half-way facility for women.

**42. Applicable NHDHR Historic Contexts:**

51. Mixed agriculture and the family farm, 1630-present.

**43. Architectural Description and Comparative Evaluation:**

House (ca. 1890): This is a 2½ story, gable front, sidehall Queen Anne stylistic. Details include an entry porch with a spindle screen and other turned woodwork, bay window, Queen Anne sash and a mix of wall materials (including clapboards on the first floor, square cut wood shingles on the second level, and scalloped shingles in the gable).

The ell appears to have had one or two story porches along the east side that are now enclosed on both levels. The connector between, the ell and the barn has door trim suggesting that a barn door was present on the south face. A remnant of a corner board remains at the second floor level at the junction of the southeast corner of the barn and the connector, suggesting that it may have originally been a single story.

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Barn (ca. 1890s): The barn is an eight bay, queen post, post and beam structure. The structure of the barn maintains its original form but the first floor and southern half of the second floor have been renovated for offices, a community room and living quarters associated with the current property use. The rear portion of the second level is unfinished and the post and beam structure is visible. Consistent with the house design, the cladding on the barn is clapboard on the lower levels and wood shingle in the gables. The east and west sides are wood shingle. While the renovated portions of the barn have contemporary double hung windows, the gable ends and unrenovated second level, north end, retain original square or horizontally rectangular window opening shapes. The north face of the barn includes a recent garage door extension that has been built into the barn door opening (visible in photos #4 & 5). A shed roof porch has been added to the east side of the barn.

Poultry House (ca. 1930s): A single story, low-pitched shed roof poultry house is located approximately 125 feet west of the house, close to the Iron Works Road public right of way. It is clad with novelty siding and includes 6/6 windows on the south face with an overhead garage door in the center. This structure rests on a concrete block foundation and has roled asphalt roofing. It appears to be unused or for limited storage.

**46. Statement of Integrity:**

This property, with its surviving connected farm buildings and a detached outbuilding, retains integrity of location, design, materials, setting, workmanship, feeling and association.

**48. Bibliography and/or References:**

Amsden, Grace P., *A Capital for New Hampshire*. Unpublished manuscript in 3 vols., written between 1930 and 1960.

Bouton, Nathaniel, *The History of Concord*. Concord: Benning W. Sanborn, 1856.

*City of Concord Directories*, 1812 -1970.

Lyford, James O., ed., *History of Concord, NH*. Concord: Rumford Press, 1903, 2 vols.

**Maps, Atlases, Plans and Views**

1858 *Map of Merrimack County*. Surveyed by H. E Walling, New York. Published by Smith and Peavey.

1892 *Town and County Atlas of the State of New Hampshire*. Compiled by D. H. Hurd and Co., Boston.

2006 *Aerial Maps*. City of Concord.

**Surveyor's Evaluation**

NR listed: individual   
 within district

NR eligible: individual   
 within district

NR Criteria: A   
 B   
 C   
 D   
 E

Integrity: yes   
 no

not eligible   
 more info needed

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Photo 2 description: House, ell, connector and barn  
Roll: 1 Frame: 26 Direction: NW



Photo 3 description: South and west elevations of house  
Roll: 1 Frame: 28 Direction: N

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Photo 4 description: East and north elevations of barn

Roll: 1 Frame: 24 Direction: SW



Photo 5 description: West and north elevations of barn

Roll: 1 Frame: 25 Direction: SE