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USGS Monroe, New York Quadrangle
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates: 18.568600.4572260

Significance: The house is representative of the expansion of the property during the Migel tenure from a group of individual farms to a single, large estate. The structure was likely moved to the present site to house the staff necessary to run the estate.

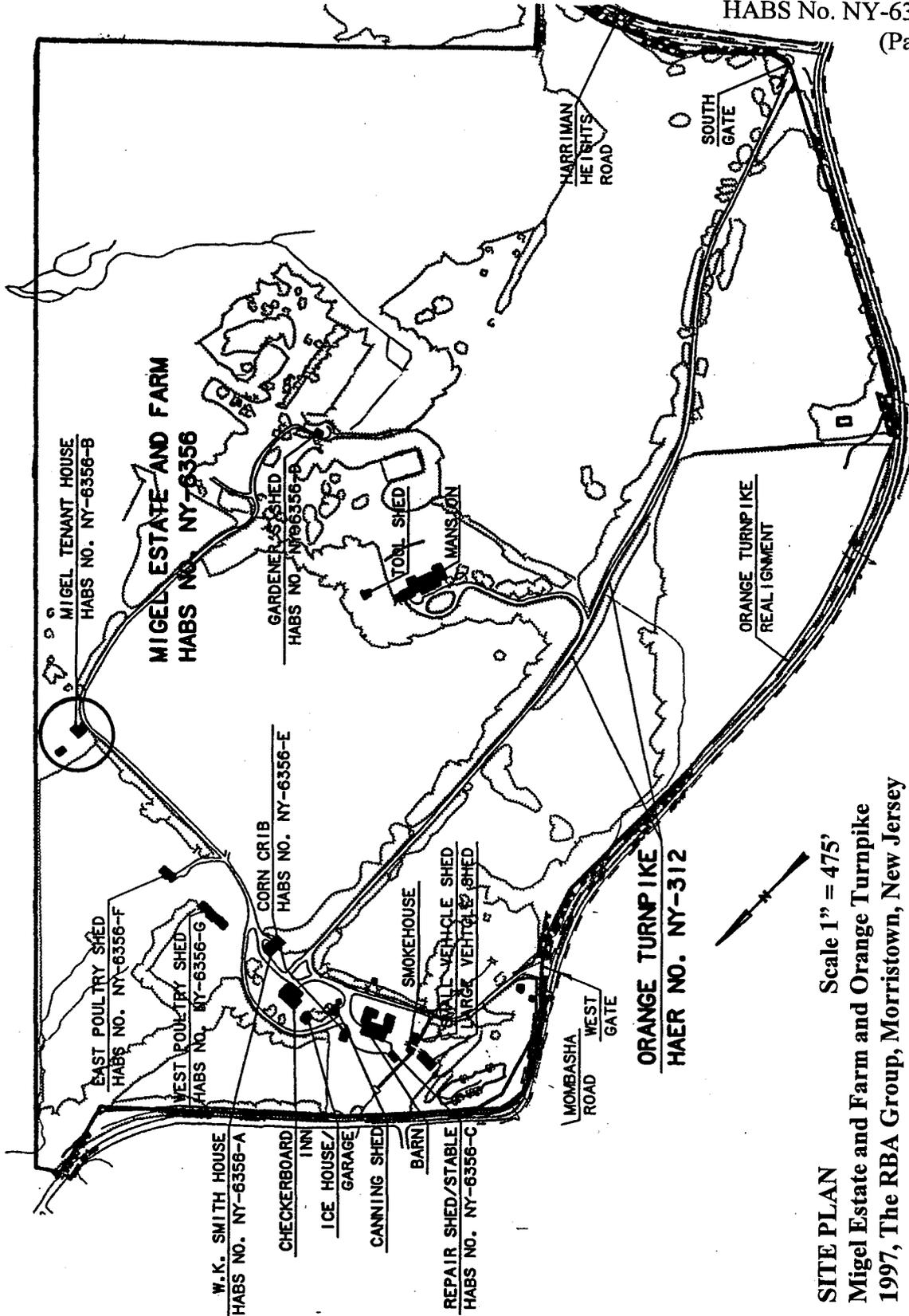
Description: T-shaped in plan, this 24' x 38,' two-story dwelling is capped by intersecting, asphalt-shingled gabled roofs. The building is clad with asbestos siding and rests on a banked, rubble-stone foundation. An enclosed, wrap-around porch with square posts is located on the west elevation. Windows throughout are six-over-one-light wood sash and a two-bay, shed-roofed, wall dormer is located at the eastern end of the house. The window trim has been removed, presumably at the time the siding was added. The main entrance is through the porch door located on the southwest elevation. A second entrance is located on the south elevation, awkwardly placed within the corner of the building formed by the intersection of the two blocks. This vertical board-and-batten door is reached by stone slab steps. Interior finishes are typical of the early twentieth century. A frame garage is located to the rear of the house.

History: There is no record of this building at this site on historic maps before the Migel estate period (1913), however, the form of the building suggests a pre-1913 construction date. It is probable that the structure was constructed during the second half of the nineteenth century and moved to its present site and altered for use as part of the estate. The awkwardly-placed entrance would seem to indicate an older building with later modifications and/or the alteration of the building to accommodate two separate residential components. The building is presently vacant. A banked, rubble-stone root cellar was located east of the structure. The building is owned by Great Expectations, Inc. 633 Route 211 East, Middletown, New York, 10940. The estate is presently being altered to construct a golf course and associated structures and single-family housing. The mansion and several of the buildings will be retained and re-used as part of the complex. As per a Memorandum of Agreement among the Army Corps of Engineers, the New York State Historic Preservation Office, and the developer Great Expectations, and accepted by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, those buildings scheduled for demolition are being documented.

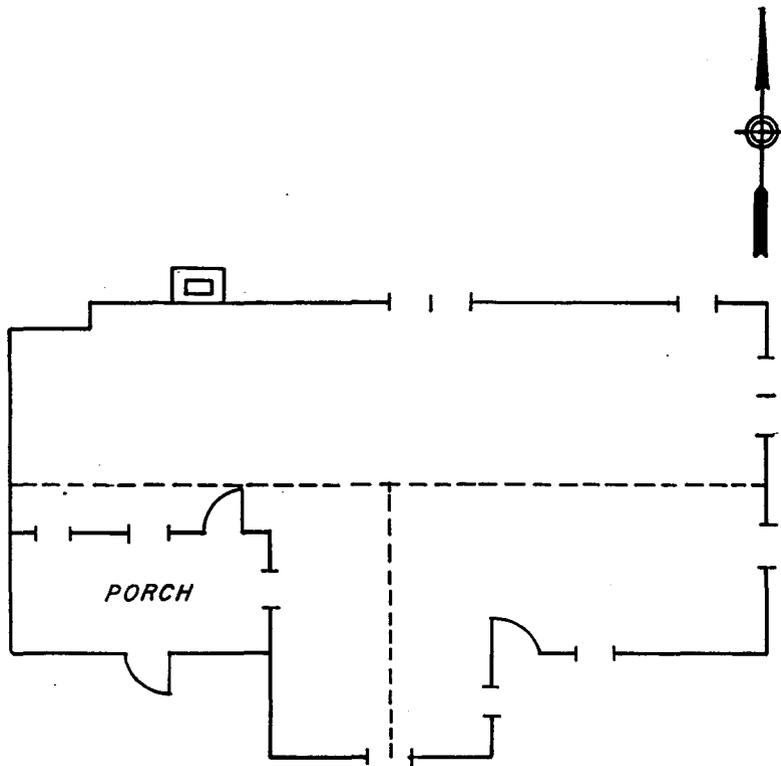
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SITE PLAN Scale 1" = 475'
Migel Estate and Farm and Orange Turnpike
1997, The RBA Group, Morristown, New Jersey



SCALE: 1" = 10'

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Source: The RBA Group, Morristown, New Jersey, 1997