

FORM A - AREA

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Form numbers in this area	Area letter
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Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
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Photo number _____

Town Barnstable (Marstons Mills-Timberland)

Name of area (if any) Timberland

General date or period early 18th century

to present

Sketch map. Draw a general map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets (including route numbers, if any) and indicate north. (Attach a separate sheet if space here is not sufficient)

See attached map

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Describe physical setting, general character, and architecturally significant structures).

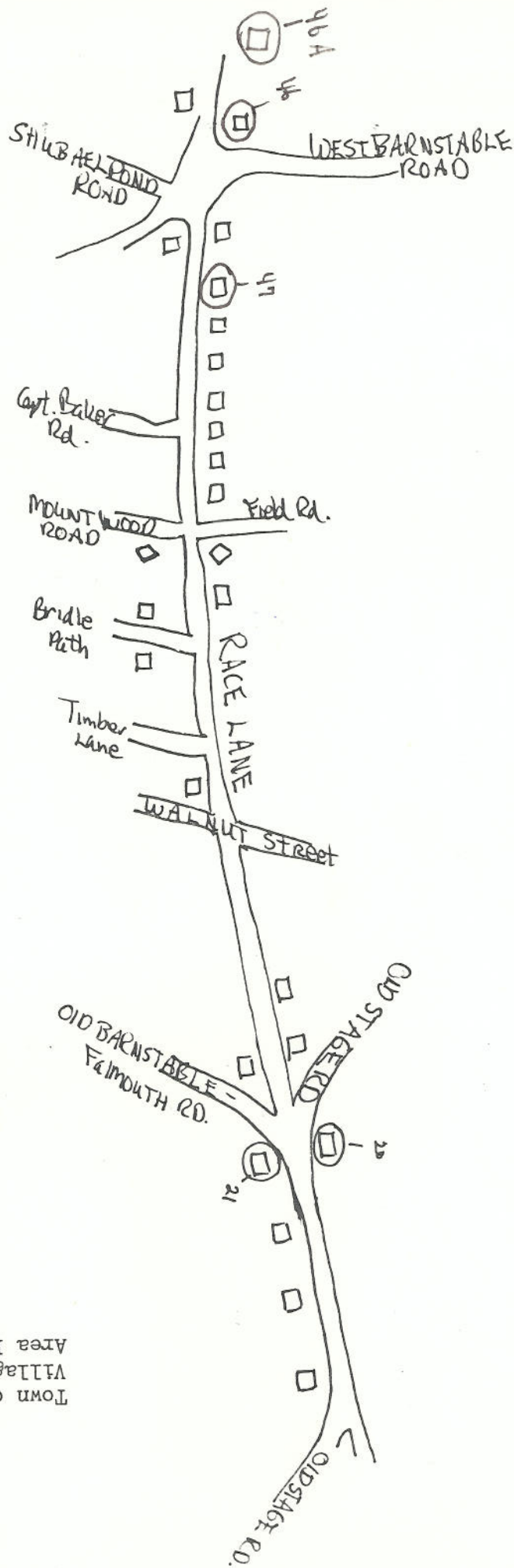
The houses in this area are traditional Cape Cod cottages which increased in size as their owner's families grew. They reflect the rural character and farming influence which dominated the village of Marstons Mills during the 18th and 19th centuries, especially in this outlying area.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Explain development of area, what caused it, and how it affected community; be specific).

Timberland, also called the "Timber Lands", is that area which runs from West Barnstable into Marstons Mills. This northern part of Marstons Mills was covered with tall pines and was divided into wood lots for the village settlers, which were indispensable to their survival. This area was also called Parkerville because of the numerous members of that family living in the neighborhood: Joseph, Daniel, Henry.

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Town of Barnstable
 Village of Marstons Mills
 Area B-Timberland