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24. 14215 Bird Road - "Bird/Boyd Farm Residence"
Byron, MI 48418

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Byron Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/264940/4744560
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #A-245-7

25. 15237 McCaslin Lake Road - "William Henry & Lucinda McCaslin Farm Residence"
Linden, MI 48451

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Linden Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/266550/4743110
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #A-353

26. 7066 Lobdell Road - "Residence"
Linden, MI 48451

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Linden Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/270360/4741250
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #A-501-1

27. 4277 Irish Road - "Barn"
Davison, MI 48423

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Goodrich Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/291730/4760230
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #U-572

28. 1110 Linden Road - "Robert Aitken Farm Residence"
Flint, MI 48504

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Flushing Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/274070/4766510
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #H-63-2

29. 5035 Flushing Road - "Daniel O'Sullivan Residence/Halfway House"
Flushing, MI 48433

Acreage: Less than 1 acre
Quadrangle Name: Flushing Quadrangle
UTM Reference: 17/273970/4768690
Verbal Boundary Description: Property Tax #H-16

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^{House (GCMRA),}
BIRD/BOYD FARM RESIDENCE - 14215 Bird Road,
(c. 1846) Byron
(PHOTO #70)

National Register
Selection Criteria
B.
C.

Although research has failed to establish a precise associative history for this Greek Revival farmhouse, it is reasonably certain that Elijah and Edward Bird, early settlers in Argentine Township, were owners of the land; it is likely that one of them built this structure. Elijah became active in local government, serving as an assessor in 1852 and treasurer in 1855. His brother's contributions to the growth of Argentine Township are unknown.

Built circa 1846, the frame structure exhibits an L-shaped plan. The facade is highlighted by a classically ornamented entrance, corner pilasters, and a wide frieze under a boxed cornice with returns. The ell portion of the structure includes a recessed porch. Still held in the Bird Family today, the residence achieves significance as an excellent example of mid-western Greek Revival architecture. Additionally, because it is an early home in one of the county's earliest settled townships, the home is noteworthy for its sheer age.

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^{House (GCMRA),}
WILLIAM HENRY AND LUCINDA McCASLIN FARM RESIDENCE -
15237 McCaslin Lake Road,
Linden (1861)
(PHOTO #71)

National Register
Selection Criteria
B.
C.

William Henry McCaslin came to the United States in 1838 from Cork County, Ireland. Like other early Argentine settlers such as James Murray and William Lobdell, he chose land in the southeastern portion of Genesee County. The lake that was a factor in McCaslin's decision to buy the land is now known as McCaslin Lake. McCaslin and his wife, Lucinda, had five children. After McCaslin died in 1858 in a fall from a barn on the property, Lucinda finished, in 1861, the elegant Greek Revival residence they had started to build. Built by a contractor named Dick Gibbons, the home is reported to have cost \$1,000.

The two-story frame residence is of a typical L-shaped configuration; the home's main portion is two stories in height while the ell is a single story. The front facade contains a classically ornamented door, symmetrically placed window openings, and corner pilasters. Both upright and ell portions exhibit wide friezes at the eaves and terminate in boxed cornices with returns.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Genesee County Multiple Resource Area
State Michigan

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 21. Murray, James R., Mill **Substantive Review**
DOE/OWNER OBJECTION
Keeper Elizabeth Beth Grosvenor 6/30/83
Attest _____
- 22. Murray, James H., House **Substantive Review**
Keeper Beth Grosvenor 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 23. Middlesworth, Isaac R.,
Farm House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 24. Bird/Boyd Farm House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 25. McCaslin, William Henry
and Lucinda, Farm House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 26. House at 7066 Lobdell Road **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 27. Barn at 4277 Irish Road **Substantive Review**
Keeper Beth Grosvenor - 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 28. Aitken, Robert Farm House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 29. O'Sullivan, Daniel, House/
Halfway House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____
- 30. McClew, Alexander, Farm House **Entered in the
National Register**
for Keeper Delores Byers 11/26/82
Attest _____

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McCaslin, William Henry and Lucinda, Farm House
(Genesee County MRA)
Genesee County
MICHIGAN

Working No. 10/12/82-2850
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83
Date Due: 11/11/82 ~~11/26/82~~
Action: ACCEPT 11/26/82
 RETURN
Entered in the National Register REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder-Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Average of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

PHOTO: WILLIAM HENRY AND LUCINDA McCASLIN FARM RESIDENCE

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1. William Henry and Lucinda
McCaslin Farm Residence
2. 15237 McCaslin Lake Road
Linden
Genesee
Michigan
3. Matthew Lampe
4. May 1982
5. Michigan History Division
6. view from W
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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