

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**  
**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
UTILITIES COMPNAY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR	)	Case No.
THE CONSTRUCITON OF TRANSMISSION	)	2022-00066
FACILITIES IN HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY	)	

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**TESTIMONY OF THOMAS C. WADE**  
**ON BEHALF OF**  
**WADE FAMILY FARM MANAGEMENT, LLC**

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May 12, 2022

VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )  
 )  
COUNTY OF HARDIN )

Comes now Thomas C. Wade, after first being duly sworn, and does hereby swear, affirm and acknowledge that the written testimony offered by him is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief as of this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

Thomas C Wade  
Thomas C. Wade

This Verification was subscribed and sworn to by Thomas C. Wade before me, the NOTARY PUBLIC, on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

Allison Renee Helbert  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Commission #: NP 30885  
Commission Expires: 7-27-25



## I. INTRODUCTION

1 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR FULL NAME.

2 A. Thomas Campbell Wade.

3 Q. ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED?

4 A. No. I retired July 2021 from a thirty-two (32) year career as an engineering  
5 manager at Lexmark International Inc. in Research and Development (“R&D”) and  
6 Corporate Real Estate.

7 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION?

8 A. I received a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the  
9 University of Kentucky in 1989 and a Master’s of Business Administration Degree  
10 in 1995.

11 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE?

12 A. I designed laser printers for twenty-eight (28) years including power systems,  
13 controls, systems design, product management and innovation. I also led  
14 Lexmark’s corporate real estate team for four (4) years.

15 Q. WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO WADE FAMILY FARM  
16 MANAGEMENT, LLC?

17 A. I am currently a non-voting, partial owner. I am one of three sons of Bob & Ellamae  
18 Wade, the founders of Wade Family Farm Management, LLC.

19 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY TODAY?

20 A. I am offering non-expert testimony regarding Wade Family Farm Management,  
21 LLC’s principal asset, which is the family farm located at 229 Wade Lane,  
22 Elizabethtown, Kentucky (the “Farm”). I will describe the Farm’s history and

1 unique characteristics that make it not only special to our family, but to the  
2 community as a historical site. In addition, I will explain the position of Wade  
3 Family Farm Management, LLC regarding Kentucky Utilities Company's ("KU")  
4 proposed Western Transmission Line Route A ("Route A") and the serious negative  
5 impact this proposed route would have upon the Farm.

6 **Q. ARE YOU SPONSORING ANY EXHIBITS TO YOUR TESTIMONY?**

7 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Exhibit TCW-1, which is the 1988 Kentucky Historic  
8 Resources Inventory document that applies to the Farm. Exhibit TCW-2 is a map  
9 of our farm showing where various unique features are located on the property.

10 **II. THE WADE FAMILY FARM**

11 **Q. WHO CURRENTLY OWNS THE FARM?**

12 A. Wade Family Farm Management, LLC owns the farm. Ellamae Wade, age 87, is  
13 the primary shareholder. Her three sons, Robert C. Wade Jr., Steven R. Wade, and  
14 Thomas C. Wade (collectively, "the sons") are also minor shareholders.

15 **Q. HOW LONG HAS THE FARM BEEN OWNED BY THE FAMILY?**

16 A. Since April 10, 1964.

17 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE FARM.**

18 A. This farm is my home and was my only home before going to UK. The Maplehurst  
19 farm tract is now about 480 acres primarily used for the last several decades in  
20 producing cash grain crops like corn and soybeans. The land also includes the  
21 homestead, a grain facility, barns, woods, 3 creeks, and land enrolled in the USDA  
22 Conservation Reserve Program for environmentally sensitive land preservation.  
23 While the media portray modern farming as featureless monoculture, this land is

1 abundant in its variety of plant and animal life that live in and out of the cropland,  
2 streams, waterways, and woods. Regular residents I observe on daily walks of the  
3 property include groups of Sandhill Crane, a deer herd, two Turkey flocks, Great  
4 Blue Heron (with a rookery in the woods), coyote, beaver, Kingfisher, Barred Owl,  
5 Red Bellied Woodpecker, Red Headed Woodpecker, Purple Martins, Bluebirds,  
6 groundhog, Red Squirrel, Red Fox, Bluegill, Crayfish, and many others.

7 **Q. HOW IS THE FARM MANAGED?**

8 A. The tillable acres are currently under lease. Day-to-day management is performed  
9 by the sons under the direction of Ellamae Wade.

10 **Q. WHAT ROLE DOES THE FAMILY PLAY IN THE DAY-TO-DAY**  
11 **AFFAIRS OF MANAGING THE FARM?**

12 A. When my father retired over 20 years ago, my brother Robert C. Wade Jr. and his  
13 wife Jill M. Wade began leasing the Farm and taking care of most day-to-day  
14 affairs. However, Robert and Jill retired in 2021 and the operation of the Farm is  
15 now under lease by Clark Farms. The lease was procured by a bidding process  
16 which was overseen by Steven Wade. I take care of the accounts payment and the  
17 sons all share a role in the maintenance and upkeep of the Farm's land and facilities.

18 **Q. HOW OFTEN ARE YOU ON THE FARM?**

19 A. I live in a house on the property.

20 **Q. ARE YOU PERSONALY FAMILIAR WITH THE FARM'S HISTORY AND**  
21 **UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS?**

1 A. Yes, I grew up on the Farm and my family has continuously occupied the farm. My  
2 knowledge of the farm is based upon decades of first-hand observations, personal  
3 experiences and conversations with family members and others in the community.

4 **Q. ARE YOU CONCERNED WITH THE PROPOSED “ROUTE A” FOR THE**  
5 **WESTERN TRANSMISSION LINE THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF KU’S**  
6 **APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND**  
7 **NECESSITY?**

8 A. Yes. There are several aspects of the proposed Route A that are concerning. First,  
9 it seems that KU has not fully taken into account all of the things that make the  
10 Farm unique. This may be because, as I understand it, they never actually  
11 conducted a field survey of the farm. Second, I worry that if the proposed  
12 transmission line was constructed along Route A, it will have a serious detrimental  
13 impact to the Farm.

14 **Q. LET’S EXPLORE THAT ANSWER A BIT MORE. WHAT ARE SOME OF**  
15 **THE THINGS THAT MAKE THE FARM UNIQUE?**

16 A. Every piece of property is unique. However, there are several features on our  
17 property that should be taken into account whenever a utility is trying to locate a  
18 high voltage transmission line on portions of that property. In our case, there are  
19 several historical, cultural and natural resources that make our property unique.

20 **Q. IT APPEARS FROM KU’S APPLICATION THAT THE FARMHOUSE ON**  
21 **THE FARM IS ON THE NATIONAL HISTORIC REGISTER. IS THAT**  
22 **CORRECT?**

1 A. Yes. The family home, Maplehurst (HD-7), was included on the National Register  
2 of Historic Places in 1988. The two-story brick home was built in 1876 in the  
3 Italianate style. The home was built by George Washington Smith as a gift for his  
4 son Elijah Ashcraft Smith by builder Joseph Lott. George Washington Smith was  
5 the owner of Smith's Mill on Valley Creek along the property's western boundary.  
6 In fact, Mr. Smith financed two other historic homes for his other children which  
7 are on the National Register of Historic Places. To the south of our farm is Maple  
8 Hill (HD-9) owned and operated by the Crain family, and at the southwest corner  
9 of our farm is Chestnut Grove (HD-5) owned by my brother Steven. Collectively,  
10 the George Washington Smith home and mill, and the three registered homes he  
11 had built for his children, tell an important story to the history of southern Hardin  
12 County.

13 **Q. IS THE FARM ITSELF HISTORICAL IN ANY RESPECT?**

14 A. Yes, the Farm is included in the Kentucky Register of Heritage Farms. Gov.  
15 Brereton Jones designated the Farm a Kentucky Heritage Farm in 1990. The  
16 Farmhouse features plaques denoting both of these historical designations A simple  
17 visit to our front porch would confirm to any visitor that the house and farm are  
18 historically significant:



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2 **Q. IS THE HISTORICAL NATURE OF THE FARM LIMITED TO THE**  
3 **FARMHOUSE AND FARM?**

4 A. No. From the days when I was a young child, I can remember walking the Farm  
5 with my father. There is an area in the woods on the northern end of the property  
6 containing earthworks which I understood may have been from the Civil War. We  
7 hear that militia were stationed to guard the train trestles along the L&N which  
8 would have included East Rhudes Creek. We would hope that KU would have this  
9 area studied to understand what encampments may have been located there before  
10 the woods are clear-cut and this history is lost forever.

11 **Q. WHAT ELSE MAKES THE FARM SPECIAL?**



1 A. Another thing that the Farm has is the presence of Sandhill Crane roosts and  
2 foraging grounds. These migratory birds are spending a greater part of the year on  
3 the Farm. Moreover, their presence is not limited to any single location on the  
4 Farm. I have observed them in several locations on the Farm over the years.

5 **Q. ARE THERE ANY OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF THE FARM THAT**  
6 **ARE IMPORTANT?**

7 A. Yes. For instance, by not doing a field survey, KU appears to have missed the fact  
8 that there is a sinkhole very close to where they are proposing to locate a  
9 transmission tower. Karst features are common in Hardin County and our Farm is  
10 no exception. It does not appear that this has been factored into KU's planning  
11 based upon what I have seen in the application and responses to various information  
12 requests.

13 **Q. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE ABOUT THE FARM THAT SHOULD BE**  
14 **KNOWN?**

15 A. Yes. It is noted in KU's Application that there is currently one large pivot irrigation  
16 system on our Farm. It looks like KU may have angled the proposed transmission  
17 line to the southeast precisely to avoid interfering with the irrigation system.  
18 However, the current placement of the transmission line would also interfere with  
19 our ability to install a second, smaller pivot irrigation system in the future.

20 **Q. WHY IS THE PRESENCE OF AN IRRIGATION SYSTEM IMPORTANT?**

21 A. An irrigation system is a good tool for increasing crop yields, which increase Farm  
22 revenues. They are not cheap and few other landowners in the area have invested  
23 in such systems. The decision to invest in a pivot irrigation system is a major

1 commitment to farmland and farming. If KU's proposed transmission line prevents  
2 us from ever being able to install another pivot irrigation system, it would have an  
3 impact upon the revenue-producing capacity of the Farm.

4 **Q. YOU SAID EARLIER THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED SANDHILL**  
5 **CRANES ALL ACROSS THE FARM, BUT CAN YOU GIVE US A SENSE**  
6 **OF WHERE THE OTHER UNIQUE FEATURES OF THE PROPERTY**  
7 **ARE LOCATED IN RELATION TO KU'S PROPOSED TRANSMISION**  
8 **LINE?**

9 A. Yes. Using screenshots of the maps previously provided in response to Commission  
10 Staff's supplemental information requests, I can generally identify where the  
11 Farmhouse, the earthworks, sinkholes and a possible future irrigation system are  
12 located on the Farm. I am attaching Exhibit TCW-2 as a map of the farm that shows  
13 the proximate locate of each of these features. As you can see, KU's proposed  
14 transmission line is in very close proximity to virtually all of these unique features.

15 **Q. LET US TALK FOR A FEW MINUTES ABOUT HOW THE PROPOSED**  
16 **HIGH-VOLTAGE TRANSMISSION LINE MAY NEGATIVELY IMPACT**  
17 **THE FARM. CAN YOU GIVE US AN EXAMPLE?**

18 A. The proposed transmission line runs from the north central border diagonally across  
19 woodlands, fields, a creek and prime bottomland in front of the historic home before  
20 crossing the railroad tracks and Gaither Station Road. It then continues along the  
21 east side of Gaither Station beyond our property. We have had power lines running  
22 parallel to Gaither Station and the railroad for years. This limited impact

1 development was never objectionable as it minimized impact while serving the  
2 community.

3           Unfortunately, this new proposed power line does not appear to have been  
4 designed with the same balanced, cooperative approach with landowners in mind.  
5 The resulting plan will be a major detriment to the use and enjoyment of the Farm  
6 and historic home forever. The northern lattice structure tower is supposedly being  
7 placed to avoid the irrigation pivot. Given the location of the second such structure  
8 in front of the historic home, the power lines will force significant woodlands to be  
9 clear-cut. These woodlands contain earthen mounds that may be historically  
10 significant in their own right. There is no indication on how many and what type of  
11 structures would be located within the straight-line that would run between the  
12 lattice towers, but they would certainly not be an asset to farming and may prevent  
13 future irrigation or other farm improvements or uses.

14           Another impactful aspect is the harm to our viewshed. The view from the  
15 front porch of the historic home will be forever damaged by the location of the high  
16 voltage transmission lines. This was immediately obvious from our first meeting  
17 with KU, where they showed us the proposed route and I informed KU of such. It  
18 is the opinion of the Farm, that, if there is in fact a need for a Western Transmission  
19 Line, it would make a great deal more sense to run the power lines parallel or in  
20 place of, the existing power lines along Gaither Station Road. While this would  
21 still impact a portion of the Farm, the land on the east side of Gaither Station Road  
22 does not have the same unique features that are on the west side of the road.

1 Q. **HOW WOULD THE PROPOSED CLEAR-CUTTING OF THE FOREST**  
2 **ON THE NORTH END OF THE PROPERTY IMPACT THE ADJACENT**  
3 **EAST RHUDES CREEK?**

4 A. Any removal of established creek bank vegetation would need to be responsibly  
5 dealt with to maintain the current path of East Rhudes Creek in both normal and  
6 high-water circumstances. Clear cutting the forest there would destroy the root  
7 system which helps solidify the bank of the creek. Once that is gone, there is a  
8 significant likelihood that erosion will occur through natural forces. This would  
9 also impact the character and usefulness of the land. I understand from KU's  
10 application that the proposed Route A had the highest negative impact to the  
11 environment and this would appear to be an example of that being borne out. I did  
12 not see anything in KU's application or responses to data requests to date that  
13 describe how they will prevent the East Rhudes Creek bank from eroding following  
14 their deforestation of that portion of the parcel.

15 Q. **DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROPOSED**  
16 **ROUTE A?**

17 A. Yes. From a layman's perspective it seems fairly obvious that KU's principal goal  
18 in siting the proposed high-voltage transmission line was to avoid crossing as many  
19 developed parcels of land as possible rather than picking the route that makes the  
20 most sense. By going through what is pristine and historic agricultural land, they  
21 would have fewer landowners to deal with, both in condemnation proceedings and  
22 in the current proceeding before the Kentucky Public Service Commission.  
23 Moreover, it appears that the project is so rushed that they have not had adequate

1 time to fully understand the impacts their own project will have. This causes me to  
2 be concerned that the impacts to the environment, the proximity to karst features  
3 and the harm to historical and cultural resources are understated because they are  
4 not fully understood. From my time in the corporate world, I understand that KU  
5 is under pressure to deliver a project on a certain timeline, however, it is my  
6 personal opinion that KU's proposal is based primarily upon expediency.

### 7 III. CONCLUSION

8 **Q. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUMMARIZE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

9 A. The proposed Western 345 kV Transmission Line will have a significant impact  
10 upon our family farm. In addition to creating a visual impact to the Maplehurst  
11 homestead, it will significantly impair our ability to improve the farm by installing  
12 an additional pivot irrigation system at some point in the future. In addition, several  
13 known and suspected features of the property will also be negatively impacted. KU  
14 appears to be in a rush to get approvals in order to meet the deadline of its new  
15 customer. However, this is not a sufficient reason to issue a Certificate of Public  
16 Convenience and Necessity prior to fully understanding the real and permanent  
17 impacts of the proposed transmission line. This is especially true given that the  
18 Route A is not even the shortest or least costly route for supplying power to  
19 Glendale. We respectfully request the Commission to not rush to any judgments  
20 and to make certain that KU's proposal is in fact the best cost option based upon  
21 known facts rather than assumptions and that it is compliant with Kentucky law.

22 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

23 A. Yes.

**EXHIBITS**

- TCW-1      1988 Kentucky Historic Resources Inventory
- TCW-2      Map of Wade Family Farm Property with Unique Features



# KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Case No. 2022-00066  
Thomas C. Wade Testimony  
Exhibit TCW-1  
Page 1 of 8  
HD-7

Site No. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Historic Name(s) Maplehurst  
Original Owner Elijah Ashcraft Smith

2. Present Name Maplehurst

3. Location Beginning in Glendale at the intersection of KY 222 and KY 1136, go one and one-half miles north on KY 1136.

4. Owner's Name Robert Cates and Ella Mae Wade

5. Owner's Address Route 2, Box 497, Elizabethtown, Ky., 42701

6. Open to Public Yes  No

7. Ownership Private  Local  State  Federal

28. ADD/County LTADD/Hardin 0 4 7

29. U.S.G.S. Quadrant (15'/75') Sonora      

30. UTM Reference 1,6 5,9,6,2,0,5 4,1,6,4,2,9,5  
Zone Easting Northing

31. Coordinate Accuracy      

32. Prehistoric Site \_\_\_\_\_ Object \_\_\_\_\_  
Historic Site \_\_\_\_\_ Structure \_\_\_\_\_  
Building \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

33. National Register District Name:      

8. Site Plan with North Arrow

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SEE NEXT PAGE

Approximately 400 acres

9. Architect/Builder Joseph Lott

10. Date 1876/1968 A.  B.

11. Style A. Italianate  B.

12. Original Use Single family residential

13. Present Use Residence

14. Condition Excellent

15. Stories, No. of Two story

34. Significance of Evaluation

35. Status \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

National Landmark	
National Register	
Landmark Certificate	/
Kentucky Survey	
Local Landmark	
HABS/HAER	

25 July 1976

36. Historic Theme Primary architecture C

Secondary \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

37. Endangered Yes  No

16. Description A four bay, two story, common bond brick Italianate residence built in 1876. Maplehurst has an asymmetrical floor plan. In 1968, a north side porch was remodelled into a brick family roof. Other changes include the addition of a west side garage, removal of two of the four interior staircases, and the 1970 installation by Hardin M. ("Sonny") Hatfield of two second story bedroom mantels and a second story desk and bookcase unit. Other interior woodwork, such as white pine floors, the walnut center stairway shown in Roll 14, Frame 10, and a panelled double door dining  
(Continue on Back)

17. Single Pile \_\_\_\_\_ Double Pile \_\_\_\_\_ NA

18. Floor Plan Asymmetrical

19. Structural Fabric Brick A.  B.

20. Decorative Fabric Common bond A.  B.

21. Roof Form & Material Flat

22. Foundation Material Brick

23. Outbuildings

24. Alterations Moved  Additions  Wall Treatment

38. ATTACH PHOTO



→ 31A      → 32



← 33A  
← 33

Roll No. HD-13/HD-14

Picture No. 31-35/4-10

Direction \_\_\_\_\_

25. History One of three houses built by George Washington Smith (see HD-11) for his children. The other two houses built for Smith children are HD-5 and HD-9. According to Mrs. Carrie Pickerill, who supplied the information to Mrs.

26. Significance The three houses built for Smith children in 1876 are stylistically similar, and in workmanship, appear to be that of the same builder. Joseph Lott was the contractor who built this house, and I attribute all three

27. Source of Information Wade, Ella Mae. "History of Our Home." 10 May 1972. Manuscript, 4 pp.

39. Prepared by: Catherine C. Harned

40. Organization P: Hardin County Planning and Development Commission

41. Date 83

42. Revision Dates \_\_\_\_\_ 43. Staff Review \_\_\_\_\_



3. Location Con't. - Gaither's Station Road is the first gravel road to the left. Go six-tenths of a mile on Gaither's Station Road. The road will now parallel railroad tracks, and you will be traveling north. Turn left (west) on the first gravel road which crosses the railroad tracks, and go three-tenths of a mile to the house.

16. Description Con't. - room cupboard (Roll 14, Frame 9), are original.

Window lights are four over four, including those in north and east side tripartite bays. Roll 13, Frame 33, of the east side bay, illustrates the house's rounded brick window headers. Roll 14, Frames 7-8 show cornice dentil molding and paired bracketing. Both are applied to the bay cornices, and the east side front porch has dentil molding. The water table is delineated, and a panelled double door facade entry is illustrated in Roll 14, Frames 4-5. The roof is flat.

According to Mrs. Pickerill, there are 60,000 bricks in the foundation, which is five bricks thick. Brick under partition walls is also five bricks thick. First floor ceilings are 12 feet; second floor, 11 feet. First floor walls are four bricks thick; second floor walls, three bricks thick. The white pine floorboards are six inches wide.

A water tank with a brick foundation and metal storage bin, located on the north side adjacent to the garage, may be endangered. The owner has been considering its demolition. It is shown in Roll 13, Frame 32.

25. History Con't. - Wade in 1972, the house was begun in 1876 and finished in 1878. Mr. Smith married Adeline Marriott in 1878; Mrs. Pickerill was one of their six children. The other children were Rose Yates, George Smith, Lilly Gardner, Mary Cook and Virginia Hoskinson. Elijah Ashcraft Smith died in 1931; Mrs. Smith in 1928.

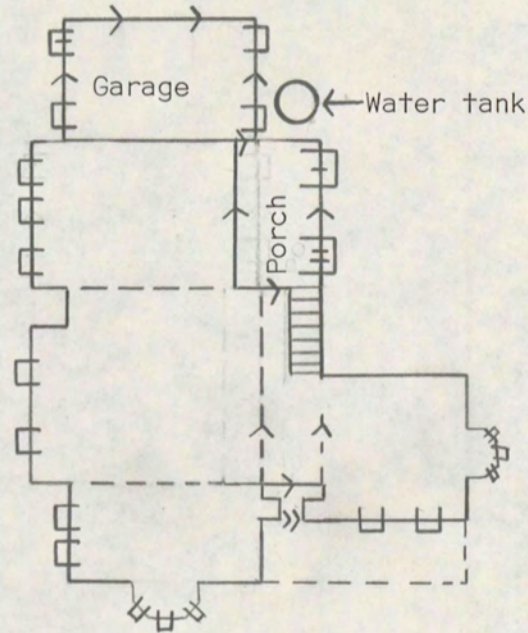
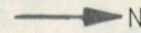
Mrs. Pickerill said the first survey of the L and N railroad tracks which are east of the house was made in front of the east side bay window. She also indicated that the original Elizabethtown-Hodgenville road ran through "Red Cut Woods", which is north of the house. The area schoolhouse was on the farm, between the house and the railroad tracks. The teacher boarded with the Smiths, who also paid her salary.

After the Smiths left, Will Miller was an occupant. The Wades bought the property in the late 1950's or early 1960's.

26. Significance Con't. - houses to him. He provides an interesting example of increasing skill mastery, which culminated in HD-9.  
The house is an excellent example of the Italianate style and is associated with prominent Hardin County farmer, George Washington Smith.

Verbal Boundary Description: The boundary for Maplehurst is shown as the dotted line on accompanying Hardin County tax map 189, lot 5. The map is drawn to include the house and approximately 50' of adjacent yard. There are no significant outbuildings and the map is drawn to include a non-contributing modern garage attached to the rear of the house.





to Gaither's Station Road

Approximately 400 acres





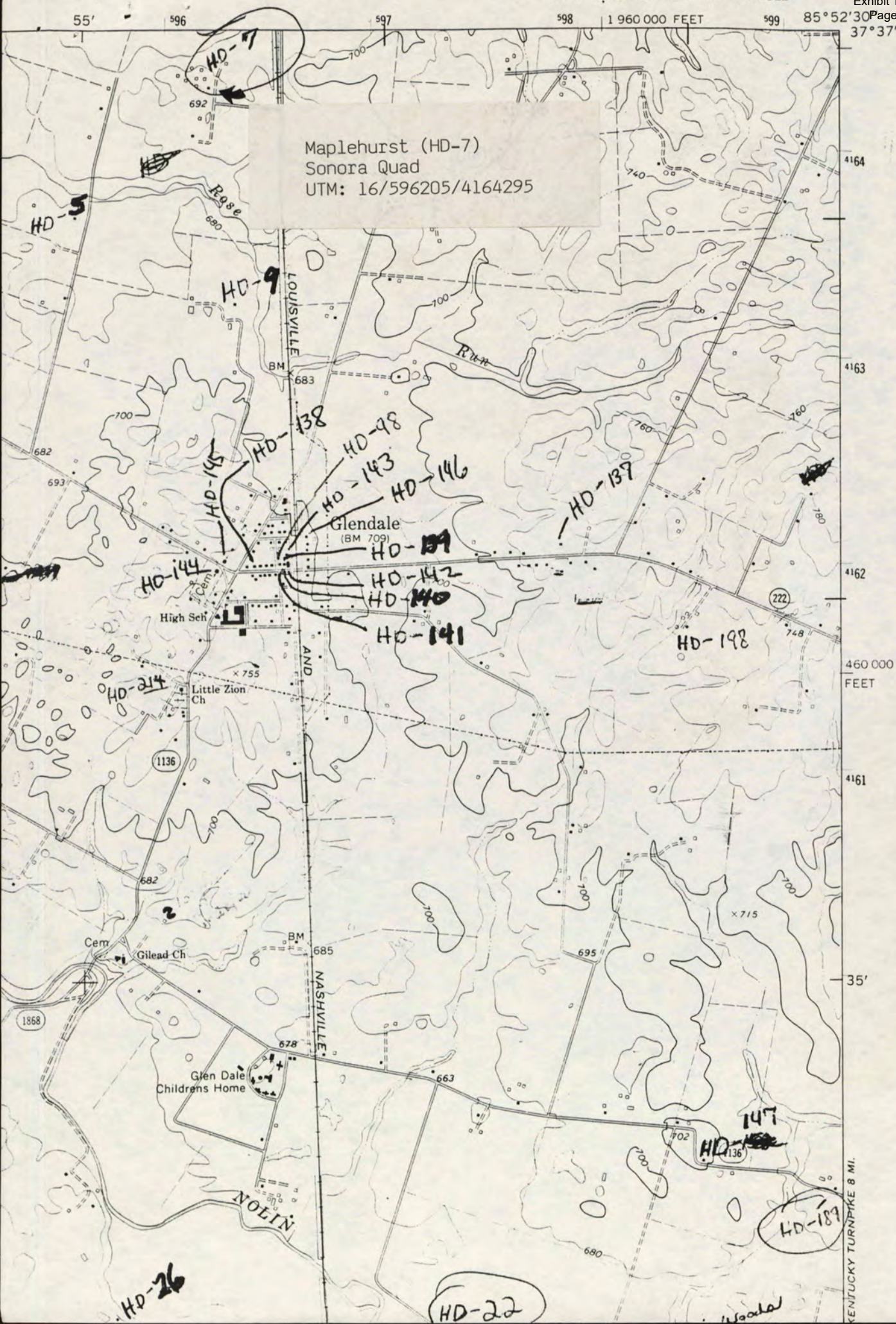
HD-7  
SORORA





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Maplehurst (HD-7)  
Sonora Quad  
UTM: 16/596205/4164295



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HARDIN COUNTY ENTERPRISE, ELIZABETHTOWN, KENTUCKY

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1971

**Historical Buildings - N**

AD 7



## ***Robert Wade Home***

Construction of this handsome two-story brick home near Glendale was started in 1872 and wasn't finished until 1876. Elijah Ashcraft Smith was the original owner, and the home is now owned and occupied by the Robert C. Wade family. Mr. Smith is said to have built this house three years before he was married, or even engaged, so his bride could be proud of her home. He married Adeline Marriott, and they had six children. They were Rose Yates, George Smith, Lilly Gardner, Mary Cook, Carrie Pickerill and Virginia Hoskinson. This is one of the Hardin County homes included in the Historic American Buildings Survey.



HD

Form 10-445 (5/62)

Approved 11-13-75  
 Supplemental information and photographs may be added on sheet of same size

<p>1. State Kentucky                  County Hardin                  Town                  Street No.                    Vicinity Glendale</p> <p>Original owner Elijah Ashcraft Smith                  Original use Residence                  Present owner Robert Cates Wade                  Present use Residence                  Wall construction Brick                  No. of stories 2</p>	<p>Historic American Buildings Survey Inventory</p> <p>2. Name Maplehurst</p> <p>Date or period Begun 1872, finished 1876                  Style                  Architect                  Builder Joseph Lott</p> <p>3. For Library of Congress Use</p>
<p>4. Notable features, historical significance and description <span style="float: right;">Open to public</span></p> <p style="text-align: right;">No</p> <p>Mr. Smith is said to have built this house three years before he was married, or even engaged, so that his future bride would not be ashamed of her home. He married Adeline Marriott and they had six children.</p> <p>The original woodwork and white pine floors are intact as is the walnut staircase. Two stairways have been taken out, leaving two others useable. The walls of the first floor are four bricks thick while those of the second story are three bricks thick. Downstairs the ceilings are 12 feet high and the upstairs ceilings are 11 feet high.</p> <p>This house has been beautifully restored by the present owners.</p>	
<p>5. Physical condition of structure <span style="margin-left: 50px;">Endangered No</span> <span style="margin-left: 50px;">Interior Good</span> <span style="margin-left: 50px;">Exterior Good</span></p>	
<p>6. Location map (plan optional)</p> <p>7. Photograph <span style="float: right;">Yes</span></p>	<p>8. Published sources (author, title, pages) interviews, records, photos, etc.</p> <p>Interviews with owner.</p>
<p>9. Name, address &amp; title of recorder</p> <p>Margaret S. Richerson, Co. Rep.                  209 Elizabeth St.                  Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701</p> <p>Date of record April 1975</p>	



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