

Welcome Forestry Tower

Managing Agency: Forest Service

County: Charles

DNR Land Unit: Welcome Forestry Tower

Location: Town of Welcome

Access: North on Fire Tower Road from Route 6, the tower is located on left.

Base Elevation: 150+ feet above mean sea level

Tax Map and Parcel: Tax Map 53, Parcel 162

Size of Unit: 0.75 acre

Liber/Folio: 59/281

Deed Date: 18 July 1934

Acquired From: Charles T. Ford

Date of Tower Installation: 1934

Tower Height: 120 feet

Sensitive Features: None

Condition: Wooden steps need to be replaced, several guy wires are broken, and adjacent trees are growing over into tower. A small block equipment building sits at tower's base. Building and tower, enclosed by chain link fence, are in fair condition. Funding of repairs through Critical Maintenance had been requested as of publication.

Current Use: Holds State Police and DNR (NRP) antennas

Potential Uses: A repeater 403 antenna may be placed back on the tower.

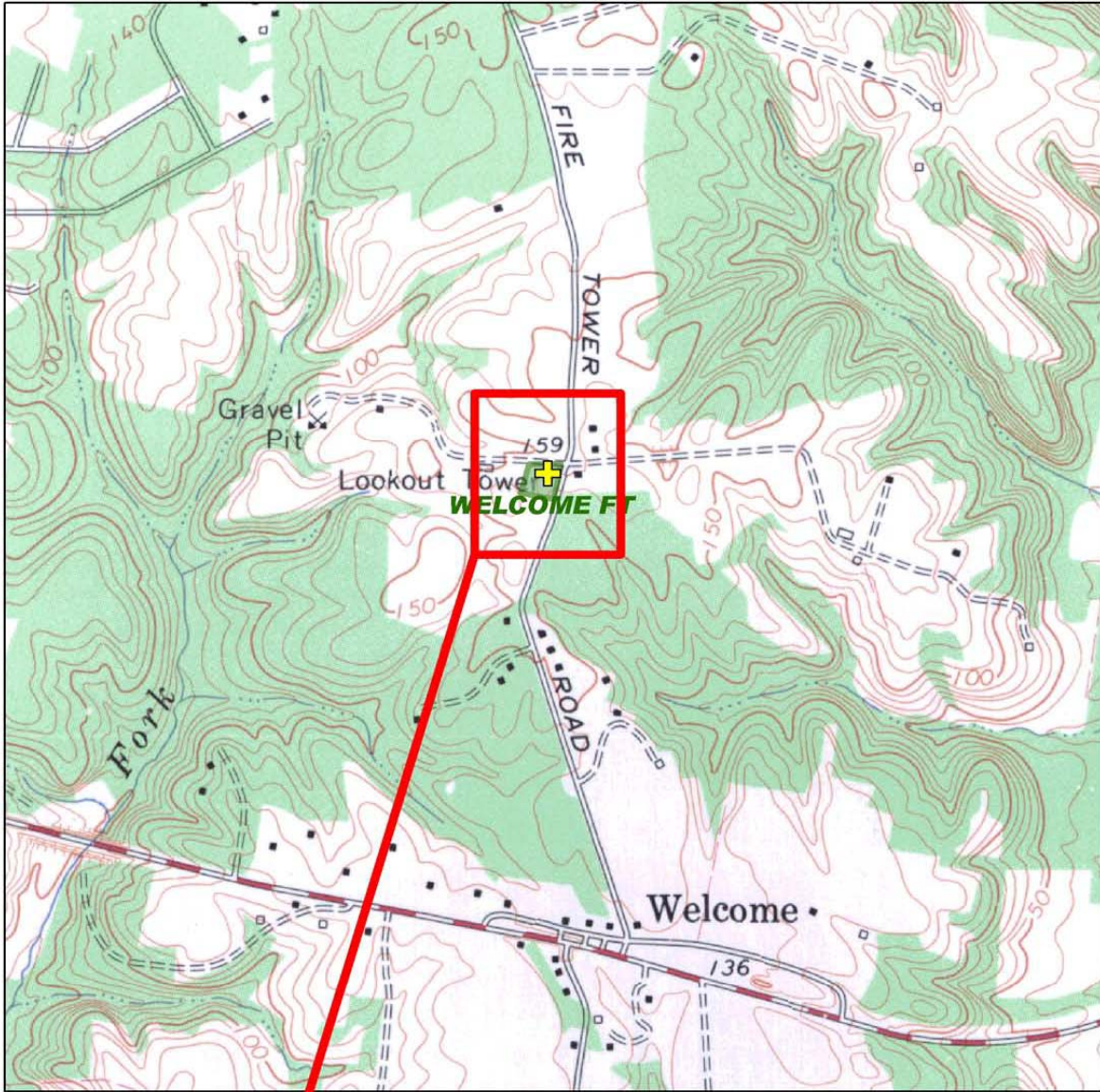
Recommended Disposition: Retain as communications link

Other Notes: The deed contains a reverter clause: "shall be used by the said State of Maryland and its assigns in the administration of the laws of the State of Maryland relating to Forestry." The tower was erected by CCC (Doncaster Camp) in 1934. When placed in service, the U.S. Navy Power Plant at Indian Head, MD, the Potomac River and the Virginia shoreline were visible from the tower. To become operable, 20 miles of telephone line was constructed to reach the tower.



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Enlarged with 2005 Imagery



1,320 Feet

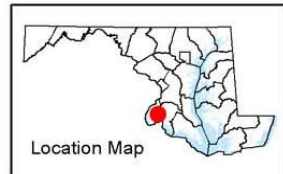


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Legend

- Forest Tower Property
- DNR Land



Location Map