

LONG HILL ESTATE

Historic Landscape Report

City of Middletown, Middletown,
Connecticut

Project Data

Date: 1996

Size: 103.5 acres

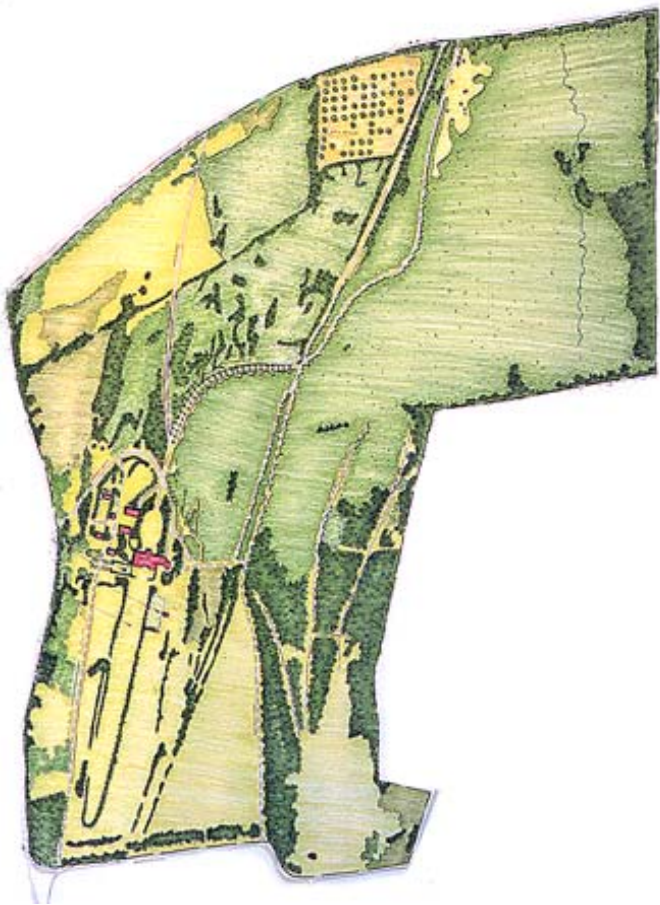
Context: Central Connecticut

Project Description:

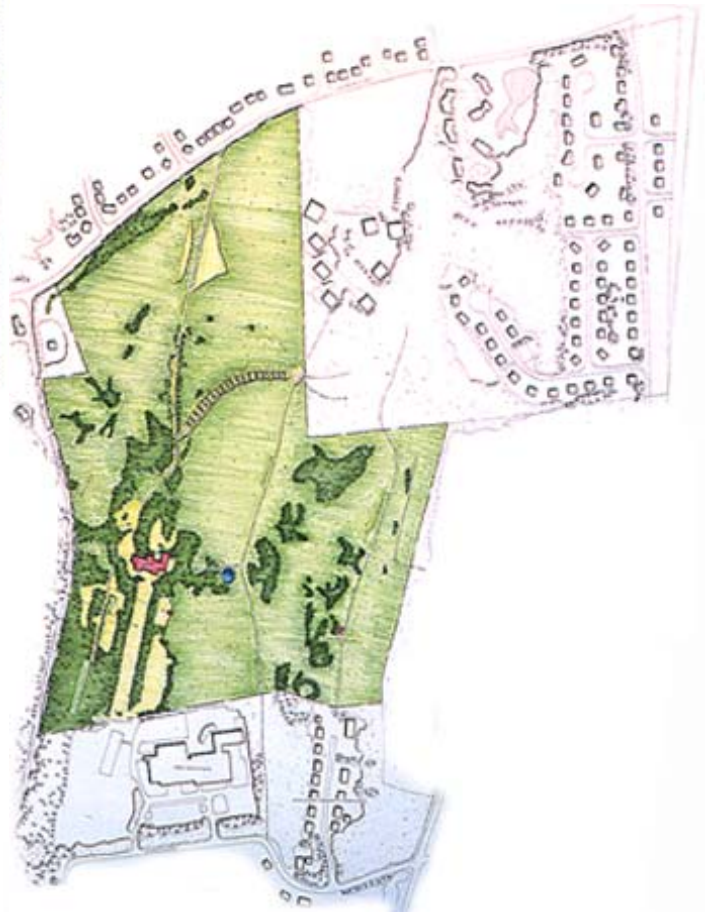
The program for this project included:

- 1) Research, document and assess the history and changes of the landscape
- 2) Inventory, document and assess existing conditions
- 3) Collect and assess existing research
- 4) Coordinate the research with existing field conditions.

In 1994, the City of Middletown, Connecticut purchased the Colonel Clarence S. Wadsworth mansion, called "Long Hill," and the remaining 103.5 acres of land. Long Hill Estate is a fine example of eclectic landscape design associated with palatial country estates of the early 20th-century. The foreboding task of blending an Academic Classical style house into the rural countryside was successfully accomplished with the formality that surrounds the house giving way to a pastoral landscape setting. The municipality is undertaking an adaptive re-use and rehabilitation of this estate and this historic landscape research will guide the interpretation of its historic landscape. EDC Principal Thomas Elmore prepared this historic landscape report with TO Design while with another firm.



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