

Merriman Farm
15490 Buss Road
Manchester Township
Washtenaw County, Michigan



circa
1910



2003

Historic District Study Committee
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