



Phase II and Phase III Archaeological Database and Inventory

Site Number: 18WO185

Site Name: MD 8

Prehistoric

Other name(s)

Historic

Brief Description:

Middle or Late Woodland short-term camp, late 18th-19th century probable field refuse

Unknown

Site Location and Environmental Data:

Maryland Archaeological Research Unit No. 2

SCS soil & sediment code

Latitude 38.1773

Longitude -75.3747

Physiographic province Eastern Shore Coastal P

Terrestrial site

Underwater site

Elevation m

Site slope 2-10%

Ethnobotany profile available

Maritime site

Site setting

-Site Setting restricted

-Lat/Long accurate to within 1 sq. mile, user may need to make slight adjustments in mapping to account for sites near state/county lines or streams

Topography

- Floodplain
- Hilltop/bluff
- Interior flat
- Upland flat
- Ridgetop
- Terrace
- Low terrace
- High terrace
- Rockshelter/cave
- Hillslope
- Unknown
- Other

Ownership

- Private
- Federal
- State of MD
- Regional/county/city
- Unknown

Nearest Surface Water

Name (if any) Pattys Branch

Saltwater

Ocean

Estuary/tidal river

Tidewater/marsh

Spring

Freshwater

Stream/river

Swamp

Lake or pond

Spring

Minimum distance to water is 147 m

Temporal & Ethnic Contextual Data:

Paleoindian site

Woodland site

Archaic site

MD Adena

Early archaic

Early woodland

Middle archaic

Mid. woodland

Late archaic

Late woodland

Contact period site

ca. 1820 - 1860

ca. 1630 - 1675

ca. 1860 - 1900

ca. 1675 - 1720

ca. 1900 - 1930

ca. 1720 - 1780

Post 1930

ca. 1780 - 1820

Unknown historic context

Unknown prehistoric context

Unknown context

Ethnic Associations (historic only)

Native American

Asian American

African American

Unknown

Anglo-American

Other

Hispanic

Y=Confirmed, P=Possible

Site Function Contextual Data:

Prehistoric

Multi-component

Misc. ceremonial

Village

Rock art

Hamlet

Shell midden

Base camp

STU/lithic scatter

Rockshelter/cave

Quarry/extraction

Earthen mound

Fish weir

Cairn

Production area

Burial area

Unknown

Other context

Historic

Urban/Rural? Rural

Domestic

Homestead

Farmstead

Mansion

Plantation

Row/townhome

Cellar

Privy

Industrial

Mining-related

Quarry-related

Mill

Black/metalsmith

Furnace/forge

Other

Transportation

Canal-related

Road/railroad

Wharf/landing

Maritime-related

Bridge

Ford

Educational

Commercial

Trading post

Store

Tavern/inn

Military

Battlefield

Fortification

Encampment

Townsite

Religious

Church/mtg house

Ch support bldg

Burial area

Cemetery

Sepulchre

Isolated burial

Bldg or foundation

Possible Structure

Post-in-ground

Frame-built

Masonry

Other structure

Slave related

Non-domestic agri

Recreational

Midden/dump

Artifact scatter

Spring or well

Unknown

Other context

field scatter?

Interpretive Sampling Data:

Prehistoric context samples

Soil samples taken N

Flotation samples taken N

Other samples taken

Historic context samples

Soil samples taken N

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Diagnostic Artifact Data:

Projectile Point Types			
Clovis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Koens-Crispin	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hardaway-Dalton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Perkiomen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Palmer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susquehana	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kirk (notch)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kirk (stem)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Piscataway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Le Croy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Calvert	<input type="checkbox"/>
Morrow Mntn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Selby Bay	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guilford	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacks Rf (notch)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brewerton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacks Rf (pent)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Otter Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Madison/Potomac	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Levanna	<input type="checkbox"/>

Prehistoric Sherd Types

Marcey Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Popes Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shepard	<input type="checkbox"/>	Keyser	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dames Qtr	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coulbourn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Townsend	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yeocomico	<input type="checkbox"/>
Selden Island	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Minguannan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monongahela	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accokeek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mockley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sullivan Cove	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susquehannock	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wolfe Neck	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clemson Island	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shenks Ferry	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vinette	<input type="checkbox"/>	Page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moyaone	<input type="checkbox"/>		
				Potomac Crk	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Historic Sherd Types

Earthenware		Ironstone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Staffordshire	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stoneware	
Astbury	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jackfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tin Glazed	<input type="checkbox"/>	English Brown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Borderware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mn Mottled	<input type="checkbox"/>	Whiteware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eng Dry-bodied	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckley	<input type="checkbox"/>	North Devon	<input type="checkbox"/>	Porcelain	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Nottingham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creamware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pearlware	<input type="checkbox"/> 1			Rhenish	<input type="checkbox"/>
						Wt Salt-glazed	<input type="checkbox"/>

All quantities exact or estimated minimal counts

Other Artifact & Feature Types:

Prehistoric Artifacts			
Flaked stone	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Other fired clay	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ground stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human remain(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stone bowls	<input type="checkbox"/>	Modified faunal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire-cracked rock	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unmod faunal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other lithics (all)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Oyster shell	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ceramics (all)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Floral material	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rimsherds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Uncommon Obj.	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Prehistoric Features

Mound(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Storage/trash pit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Burial(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shell midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ossuary	<input type="checkbox"/>
Postholes/molds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
House pattern(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Palisade(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hearth(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Lithic reduc area	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Lithic Material

Jasper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fer quartzite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sil sandstone	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chalcedony	<input type="checkbox"/>	European flint	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rhyolite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ironstone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basalt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quartz	<input type="checkbox"/>	Argilite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quartzite	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steatite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Sandstone	<input type="checkbox"/>	diabase	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dated features present at site

Historic Artifacts			
Pottery (all)	<input type="checkbox"/> 21	Tobacco related	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glass (all)	<input type="checkbox"/> 60	Activity item(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Architectural	<input type="checkbox"/> 39	Human remain(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Furniture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Faunal material	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Arms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Misc. kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Clothing	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Floral material	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personal items	<input type="checkbox"/>	Misc.	<input type="checkbox"/> 27
		Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> coal

Historic Features

Const feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Privy/outhouse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Depression/mound	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Well/cistern	<input type="checkbox"/>	Burial(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cellar hole/cellar	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trash pit/dump	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railroad bed	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hearth/chimney	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheet midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Earthworks	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Postholes/molds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planting feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mill raceway	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Paling ditch/fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road/walkway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheel pit	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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Radiocarbon Data:

Sample 1: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 2: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 3: +/- years BP Reliability

Sample 4: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 5: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 6: +/- years BP Reliability

Sample 7: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 8: +/- years BP Reliability Sample 9: +/- years BP Reliability

Additional radiocarbon results available



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External Samples/Data:

Collection curated at MAC

Additional raw data may be available online

Summary Description:

Site MD 8 (18WO185) is a multicomponent site with a low-density Woodland period concentration and a moderately-dense late 19th century historic artifact scatter. The site is located along US 113, east of Snow Hill. The soil type at the site is Fort Mott loamy sand, which formed in upland environments and is unlikely to contain deeply buried deposits.

The site was first identified in 1997 during Phase I surface collection and shovel testing associated with (then) planned improvements to US113. Archival research did not indicate that there was a structure at this location in the historic past; however, a currently standing structure located to the northeast of the site was listed on an 1877 map. There were no other sites or finds in the immediate vicinity of MD 8. Phase I survey methods included field walking and surface collection, and excavation of 41 shovel test pits (STPs). Prehistoric artifacts were recovered from 9 of the STPs and from the surface. The artifact distribution indicates that the prehistoric site measures about 20 meters north-south by 45 meters east-west, and covers about 900 square meters. Historic artifacts were recovered from 10 STPs and the surface. The artifact distribution indicates that the historic site measures about 180 meters north-south by 50 meters east-west, and covers about 3,000 square meters.

Phase II work was conducted between November and December 1997 and in September and December 1999, and January 2000. The primary goals of the Phase II work were to assess if there were any prehistoric features present, determine what Woodland period and/or phase was represented at the site, and assess if there was a historic period residence at the site. Phase II investigations involved the excavation of 109 STPs at 10 meter intervals, with the intervals shortened to 5 meters in areas where prehistoric material had been encountered during Phase I testing. Due to the low artifact density no meter² test units (Tus) were excavated. There are 3 distinct artifact concentrations at the site that are encompassed by an amorphous perimeter enclosing a 5,600 meter² area. The similarity of the artifacts across the loci prompted their being treated as a unit rather than as 3 separate sites.

A total of 131 historic artifacts were found during the Phase I and Phase II field seasons from surface collection and from STPs. There were 2 activity items (1 metal hook and 1 unidentified piece of farm equipment), there were 39 architecture-related items (22 brick fragments, 2 pieces of mortar, 2 cut nails, 1 wrought nail, 3 wire nails, 1 unidentified nail, and 8 window glass shards). The only clothing item was a porcelain button. The 62 kitchen items included 37 bottle glass fragments, 9 late refined earthenware, 1 other earthenware, 1 pearlware, 1 porcelain, 1 domestic brown stoneware, 1 gray stoneware, 1 yellowware, and 5 redware sherds, and 4 shell fragments. Much of the bottle glass appears to be broken modern soda and beer bottles. The 27 miscellaneous items were 15 unidentified glass fragments, 3 unidentified metal fragments, and 9 pieces of coal.

A total of 5 prehistoric artifacts were recovered from the Phase I and Phase II field seasons. These included a shell tempered ceramic sherd, 1 utilized jasper flake, 2 pieces of chert debitage, and 1 other lithic (a battered quartzite cobble).

Prehistoric artifacts were found in 2 discrete locations at the site, one on the eastern portion and one on the western edge. Based on the available evidence the archeologists suggest that two brief occupations occurred at MD 8. In the eastern loci a ceramic sherd was found that dates to the Middle and Late Woodland periods. No diagnostics were found in the western loci. The historic component provides no evidence that a historic structure ever stood on the site. The Phase II data indicate that the prehistoric and historic components have very limited information potential to answer the research questions asked prior to the fieldwork.

External Reference Codes (Library ID Numbers):

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