Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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18AN1375

Project Details:

Phase I [X]
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Project Justification:

This report describes a 2007 Phase I survey, Phase II testing program, and Phase III data recovery associated with the BWI Technology Park, Phase 2 near Linthicum Heights in Anne Arundel County. The study area consisted of approximately 44.3 acres of land previously used as a junkyard, but slated for commercial development. The archeological work was carried out in compliance with Article 17, Title 6-502 of the Anne Arundel County Subdivision Regulations as requested by the Anne Arundel County Department of Planning and Zoning.

Project Objectives:

Phase I
-Document the presence, absence, and extent of archeological resources with the study area.

-Provide an assessment of the potential significance and appropriate recommendation for management of any identified resources.

Phase II
-Determine the significance of the sole identified resource, 18AN1375.

-Delineate the site and its various components.

Phase III
-Determine the extent, both horizontally and vertically, of the feature identified at 18AN1375.

-Locate any associated features, such as postholes, that might indicate its function.

-Place the feature within a temporal context and ascertain whether it represents a single activity/deposition or a series of separate activities over a period of time.

-Determine what purpose the feature originally served and whether that use remained consistent or had changed over time.

-Ascertain, to the extent possible, what the feature and its contents reveal about the 18th century occupants of the area and their lifeways.

Research Potential:

From the evidence gleaned from the excavations at 18AN1375 it was not possible to ascribe a definitive function or cause of deposition to the pit feature. Deed research conducted on the associated tax parcel, indicates that the property was most likely owned by Dr. Richard Hopkins, a wealthy physician, and his wife Hannah Hopkins, nee Hammond, daughter of Col. Charles Hammond and sister of Rezin Hammond, the builder of Burleigh Manor in Howard County. It is likely that the remains of any residential structures associated with the feature have been obscured and disturbed by the use of the neighboring land as a junkyard. Based on these findings, it would appear that the research potential of Site 18AN1375 has been exhausted.