

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Sites examined:

18AN550

NRHP Listed:

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: This report provides the results of a cultural resources survey conducted in 1983 on two properties that are part of the of the US Naval Ship Research and Development Center (NSRD): the Carderock Laboratory in Montgomery County and the Annapolis Laboratory in Anne Arundel County. The work was carried out because records indicated that neither facility had ever been subject to a systematic archeological survey, even though at least one historic fortification (Fort Nonsense) was known to be located at one of the properties. To satisfy the requirements of federal legislation and regulations, the Maryland Historical Trust recommended that the Navy sponsor archeological investigations at both facilities.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III		

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Project Objectives: -Locate unknown sites. -Assess disturbance to the areas of the survey. -Evaluate all known sites (in terms of their National Register eligibility).

Research Potential:

Based on excavation and archival research, Fort Nonsense (18AN550) is clearly significant in its relation to important events (i.e. the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and the Civil War), in its distinctive characteristics (its unusual shape and entirely earthen redoubts), and its potential for yielding information since it is the last vestige of Annapolis harbor fortifications. The Fort is in excellent condition, well protected from erosion and vandalism. Expanded excavations in and around the fort may be able to reveal much that is relevant to Maryland and American history.
