

# Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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## Sites examined:

18AP87

18AP88

18AP89

## Project Details:

Phase I

### Project Justification:

Phase II

This report describes a December 2000 combined Phase IB/II survey and evaluation on portions of the (then) proposed Park Place Development located in Annapolis. The investigation was undertaken in consultation with the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Annapolis in a heavily developed area of the city. A number of existing structures, including dwellings, a store front, auto repair facilities, a railroad bed, and extensive paved parking lots encompass the area of the three sites examined. These sites were identified during a prior Phase I survey as having the potential to include historic archeological resources such as wells, privies, and cisterns.

Phase III

### Project Objectives:

-Identify historic archeological resources that might be affected by proposed development activities.

-Evaluate the research potential and significance of any identified resources.

-Develop appropriate recommendations for the management of significant resources.

## Research Potential:

The brick-lined circular shaft at 18AP87 probably served as a dry-well for storm runoff. It was apparently filled sometime in the 1950 or 60s. The fill contained very few artifacts. While these materials may be associated with the occupants of the property, they are insufficient to support further meaningful research. It is unlikely that this feature or its contents has the potential to provide additional important information about the past. The site should not be considered significant.

The brick-lined circular shaft at 18AP88 was apparently filled in a single event in the 1970s or 80s, likely the demolition of nearby structures. The fill contained very few artifacts. It is unlikely that these materials are associated with the occupants of the property, and it is also unlikely that this feature or its contents has the potential to provide additional important information about the past. The site should not be considered significant.

Site 18AP89 consists of a refuse deposit behind the former "Miller's Grocery", a mid 20th century store. The deposit contained materials primarily dating to the 1930s and 1940s, but also included earlier, late 19th century materials as well. They appear to have been deposited as fill to raise the level of the landscape and a connection specifically to the Miller occupation seems tenuous at best. Site 18AP89 should not be considered a significant archeological resource.