

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Sites examined:

18BA555

NRHP Eligible: N

[Justification](#)

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: The report describes a combined Phase I/II project carried out as part of planned improvements to the Interstate 795 interchange with Dolfield Boulevard/Pleasant Hill Road. The (then) proposed construction entailed the relocations of Tollgate Road, widening of existing roadways, intersection improvements, construction of several stormwater management structures, and the addition of sidewalks and bicycle lanes. The Phase I/II project was conducted in compliance with state and federal regulations regarding consideration for historic resources when using public funds.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III		

Project Objectives: -Accurately locate, identify, and delineate all archeological sites within the project's Area of Potential Effect (APE) and evaluate the potential eligibility of any sites therein for listing on the NRHP. -Accurately delineate and evaluate the NRHP eligibility of 18BA555, a previously documented site that abuts the project corridor. -Analyze project impacts on any NRHP eligible sites that may be affected by the project in accordance with Section 106 compliance requirements.
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Research Potential:

Site 18BA555 was found to be largely disturbed, but does contain one area with some potential for intact archeological deposits. This area was located just outside the I-795 interchange project's limit of disturbance (LOD) area, in the front yard of Parcel 161. During the excavations, a feature that extends over 1.22 m (4 ft) in depth was encountered. The feature may represent the remains of an in-filled cellar hole, or possibly an underground storage tank buried before the construction of the current residence. Interviews with the owners of Parcels 161 and 162 did not recall any former above ground or below ground structures at this location. While the tested portion of the feature fill contains a mix of 19th through late 20th century artifacts throughout its stratigraphic profile, it is possible that other portions of the feature may be better preserved. The feature was not examined further as part of the 2009 project, as it would not be impacted by the I-795 project. Additional work was recommended if this portion of the site should be come threatened in the future. Thus, Site 18BA555 should be considered a largely disturbed archeological site, but one with pockets of intact remains that may be significant to Maryland and Baltimore County history.