

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1974 Handsman, R.G. and C.L. Borstel
An Archeological Survey of Tuckahoe State Park.
Submitted to Maryland Park Service
Library ID No: 00000335 Catalog/Shelving ID: CA 1

Research Firm/Institution:

American University
4400 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20016

Sites examined:

18CA21

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

The Tuckahoe State Park Archeological Survey was initiated by the Maryland Geological Survey (MGS) subsequent to short excavations and investigations in 1971 and 1974 in the park by MGS personnel. The work was to be conducted ahead of proposed construction within the park. The Phase I investigations were conducted in 1974 immediately following the Phase II investigations of the Wessel Site (18CA21). This report briefly characterizes the landscape of the site and provides a short re-examination of materials collected during the 1971 testing at the site.

MAC Accession: 1974.003

Project Objectives:

- Discover and interpret historic and prehistoric archeological evidence exposed on the surface or by construction
- Locate additional cultural resources if present
- Collect archeological data being destroyed by erosion and construction
- Prepare a detailed base map and report detailing field and archival investigations

Research Potential:

The Wessel Site (18CA21) is comprised of stratified Archaic and Woodland components, possibly representing base camp or hamlet occupations. Identified diagnostic artifacts included Late Archaic type projectile points and Late Woodland period ceramic sherds. A reevaluation of the artifact assemblage may reveal additional diagnostic material to include phases of occupation prior to the Late Archaic period, and between the Late Archaic and the Late Woodland periods. Unfortunately, as observed on aerial maps of the site location, and in accordance with the park's plans, site 18CA21 is currently submerged in Tuckahoe Lake.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1986 Boyce, H.L. and L.A. Frye
Radiocarbon Dating of Archeological Samples from Maryland.
Library ID No: 00006808 Catalog/Shelving ID: MD 10

Research Firm/Institution:

Department of Natural Resources, Maryland
Geological Survey
2300 St. Paul Street
Baltimore, MD 21218

Sites examined:

18CA21

Project Details:

Project Justification:

This report details the then current radiocarbon dates available for archeological sites in Maryland.

Project Objectives:

- Provide convenient access to radiocarbon dates on archeological sites in Maryland

Research Potential:

See above for remaining research questions at 18CA21.