

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Sites examined:

18CR244

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification:
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proposed widening of MD Route 97 involved two alternatives, either of which would have impacted 19th century houses.
Phase III		

Project Objectives:
Phase I
-Locate and identify all archeological resources which are potentially eligible for nomination to the Maryland or the National registers of historic places within the area of potential effect.
-Place and interpret all archeological resources within the contexts of the Maryland State Plan.
-Compare the survey results to existing settlement pattern models.
-Determine an archeological resource's potential eligibility for inclusion on the Maryland Register or the National Register of Historic Places.
-Determine the potential effects of a project on the archeological resources found during the survey.
-Determine if additional archeological resource management work is necessary.
Phase II
-Determine the function of the structure.
-Compare the artifacts recovered from the feature with artifacts recovered from other excavations in the Geiman House yard to determine if the two buildings were contemporary.
-Compare the recovered artifacts to the historic documents to see how or if the two sets of data correlated as regards socio-economic position.
-See how the artifacts reflected the history of the MD Route 97/Westminster area at the time from which they dated – presumably from circa post-1820 to pre-Civil War.
-Determine how the feature related to the National Register eligibility of the Geiman House.

Research Potential:

More intensive Phase II work is warranted to determine the nature of the feature in the south yard at 18CR244. It may indeed be a significant slave-related structure (see synopsis report) capable of answering major research questions related to Maryland history, but additional work must be done simply to demonstrate that the site has such potential.