

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Sites examined:

18CR231

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III



Project Justification:

This report details the results of archeological investigations designed to mitigate the adverse effects of unauthorized excavations at the Shipley site (18CR231) near Sykesville in Carroll County. The site encompasses approximately .3 acres and consists of a dressed stone foundation, a composite stone and brick chimney, and a grass-covered "yard" area. This 1997 field project was carried out to address Article 83B, §§ 5-618, 5-625, and 5-630 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Project Objectives:

- Examine all artifacts collected during the unauthorized excavations, as well as recover and study artifacts discarded in the extant spoils piles.
- Determine the approximate dates of use of the site.
- Ascertain the types of activities represented by the recovered artifacts.
- Determine if inferences can be made about the socio-economic status of the site inhabitants based on the recovered assemblage.

Research Potential:

The Shipley site (18CR231) was recommended for consideration for inclusion on the NRHP. The site appears to be largely intact and to have been associated with one of Carroll County's earliest settler's, Adam Shipley, as well as with the origins of American Methodism. The artifact assemblage recovered from the site as a result of the 1997 investigation suggests that additional artifacts, in undisturbed portions of the site, may yield additional information important to history.