

# Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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## REPORT INFORMATION:

1980 Wilke, S. et. al.  
Cultural Resource Surveys of US Naval Reservation, Bloodsworth Island, Dorchester County, Maryland.  
Submitted to the Maryland Historical Trust

Research Firm/Institution:

Geo-Recon International  
PO Box 55189  
Seattle, WA 98155

Library ID No: 00000186      Catalog/Shelving ID: DO 17

## Sites examined:

18DO79      18DO80      18DO81  
NRHP Eligible:     NRHP Eligible:     NRHP Eligible:   
[Justification](#)      [Justification](#)      [Justification](#)

## Project Details:

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| Phase I   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>Project Justification:</b><br>This report describes a Phase I survey of the US Naval Reservation at Bloodsworth Island in Dorchester County. In order to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and similar Maryland State laws, federal agencies are required in part to survey cultural resources on their land holdings and to nominate qualified resources to the NRHP. The survey was undertaken to comply with these pieces of legislation. |
| Phase II  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |
| Phase III | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |

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| <b>Project Objectives:</b><br>-Locate and identify all archeological resources aboard the US naval Reservation at Bloodsworth Island. |
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MAC Accession: 1992.045

## Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO79.

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO80.

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO81.

## REPORT INFORMATION:

1998 Botwick, B. and D.A. McClane  
  
Getting on with Living: History and Community of a Chesapeake Oystering Family, Phase II Investigations at Sites 18DO79, 18DO80, and 18DO81, Aboard the U.S. Naval Reservation, Bloodsworth Island, Dorchester County, Maryland.  
Submitted to EDAW, Inc.

Research Firm/Institution:

Gray & Pape, Inc. - Cultural Resources Consultants  
1705 East Main Street  
Richmond, VA 23223

Library ID No: 00006861      Catalog/Shelving ID: DO 46

## Sites examined:

18DO79      18DO80      18DO81  
NRHP Eligible:     NRHP Eligible:     NRHP Eligible:   
[Justification](#)      [Justification](#)      [Justification](#)

## Project Details:

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| Phase I   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <b>Project Justification:</b>  |
| Phase II  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | This report presents a Phase II testing program carried out in 1997 at the US Naval Reservation at Bloodsworth Island in Dorchester County. The island comprises a portion of a shore bombardment, air bombing, air strafing, and rocket firing area under the control of the Naval Amphibious Base in Norfolk, Va. No specific undertakings that would impact cultural resources in the area were planned for the island. Rather, the cultural resources investigations were completed for the purpose of assisting the Navy Federal Preservation Officer in making decisions with regard to historic preservation. |
| Phase III | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |

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| <b>Project Objectives:</b><br>-Identify the boundaries of each of the previously identified archeological sites.<br>-Locate artifact distributions and assess densities.<br>-Identify buried features and artifact deposits.<br>-Ascertain the chronology and function of each site.<br>-Establish the stratigraphic context and integrity of each site. |
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MAC Accession: 2001.049

#### Research Potential:

The precise extent of Site 18DO79 remains uncertain. The site should be preserved in place unless, for some reason it becomes threatened. Should it become absolutely necessary to locate burial features and the bounds of the cemetery, more intrusive identification methods may need to be employed beyond those already used at 18DO79.

The domestic site 18DO80 conveys a sense of its function and contains appropriate archeological deposits and cultural features for reconstructing and understanding past landscapes and the oystering way of life in the 19th century. It is a significant archeological resource. The most pressing threat to the site is not development, but sea level rise. Hopefully further documentation can take place before inundation destroys the site.

The domestic site 18DO81 conveys a sense of its function and contains appropriate archeological deposits and cultural features for reconstructing and understanding past landscapes and the oystering way of life in the 19th century. It is a significant archeological resource. The most pressing threat to the site is not development, but sea level rise. Hopefully further documentation can take place before inundation destroys the site.

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