

# Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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## REPORT INFORMATION:

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## Sites examined:

18HO62                      18HO63

## Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III



### Project Justification:

This report describes a 1981 field project in the Murray Hill area of what would later be on the outskirts of the Columbia community of Howard County. Planned residential development at that time would impact two previously documented archeological sites: 18HO62 and 18HO63. An intensive archeological investigation (a level of effort similar to Phase II testing) was requested by the Maryland SHPO in accordance with "...the relevant federal guidelines".

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### Project Objectives:

-Conduct systematic surface collection to determine the horizontal boundaries of each site.

-Excavate one formal test unit at each site to determine the vertical extent of each site as well as the integrity of each.

## Research Potential:

The excavations revealed that at one time a multicomponent settlement with possible archeological importance may have occupied the locales of 18HO62 and 18HO63. However, the modern cultural record at the sites appears to be incomplete and not representative due to disturbance and the loss of cultural materials. The sites were determined to be ineligible for listing on the NRHP and the residential development at Hammond Branch moved forward. The site today is the location of a substantial townhome community.