

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Sites examined:

18PR622 18PR623
NRHP Eligible: Y NRHP Eligible: N

[Justification](#)

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: This report presents the results of Phase I and II terrestrial archeological investigations conducted prior to creation of an artificial wetland as environmental mitigation for improvements to MD 210. The wetland project called for the creation and enhancement of 8 acres of wetlands on a parcel known as the Parker Berry Farm in which ground-disturbing activities would take place. Phase I investigations uncovered 2 archeological sites within the project area, one of which was determined to be potentially eligible for the NRHP. Thus, Phase II testing was carried out at 18PR622 to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III		

Project Objectives: -Document any sites that might be present in the project area. -Determine any identified archeological component's age and geomorphological context. -Place any identified sites within the broad settlement framework known for the region.
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Research Potential:

The Contact component at 18PR622 has the potential to offer significant and novel insights into 17th century Native American and European interactions. Only around 20% of Feature 1 was ultimately sampled and this small portion of the intact feature contained 97 artifacts (26% of the total for the locus) and furnished an absolute date. Thus, this portion of the site appears to retain significant integrity. Based on the results of the Phase II investigations, researchers recommended that Locus 4 be avoided in developing the wetland facilities at the Parker Berry Farm. A buffer zone measuring 30 meters was established around the core of the site marked by Feature 1 and alteration to the site was avoided during construction activities.