Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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Project Justification:	Project Objectives:
This work was conducted at two previously identified sites on the west bank of the Patuxent River, at the Patuxent River Natural Resources Management Area, Milltown Landing property. The archeological investigation was performed to assess potential impacts to the two sites expected as a result of shoreline erosion control projects.	-Determine what impacts, if any, the shoreline erosion control project would have on the archeological resources. -Make recommendations for project modification, if necessary, so potential impacts can be avoided.

Research Potential:

These data suggest that the northern portions of Site 18PR321 are plow-disturbed and of little research value. Future work in the southern portion of 18PR321 is warranted if future improvement projects in the area might impact the site. No investigations have been conducted south of the access road and standing barn.

Based on the presence of intact features, diagnostic artifacts, and the apparent preservation of multiple occupations beneath thick soil deposits, Site 18PR323 should be considered to have excellent integrity. The site has the potential to answer significant research questions relating to Maryland prehistory and perhaps the contact period. Additional work is warranted, should an opportunity present itself.