

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1976 Gardner, W.M.
An Archeological Reconnaissance of Two Unnamed Creeks Tributary to Piscataway Creek,
Maryland.
Submitted to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

Library ID No: 00006566 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 18

Research Firm/Institution:

Catholic University - Dept. of Anthropology
620 Michigan Ave., NE
Washington, DC 20064

Sites examined:

18PR141 18PR142 18PR143 18PR144
NRHP Eligible:

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: This survey project was carried out within the right-of-way of a sewer extension project. Approximately 6,096 linear meters of sewer-line extension with right-of-ways varying from 13.7 to 18.3 meters were examined. Almost all of this construction follows the beds of two unnamed creeks and their tributaries.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III		

Project Objectives: -Make a comprehensive and thorough examination of the cultural resources of the sewer extension project area.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR141.

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR142.

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR143.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1976 Gardner, W.M.
Archeological Excavations at 18PR141, 18PR142, and 18PR143 near Piscataway, Maryland.
Submitted to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

Library ID No: 00006567 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 19

Research Firm/Institution:

Catholic University - Dept. of Anthropology
620 Michigan Ave., NE
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Sites examined:

18PR141 18PR142 18PR143

Project Details:

Phase I		Project Justification: This testing project was carried out within the right-of-way of a sewer extension project. Approximately 6,096 linear meters of sewer-line extension with right-of-ways varying from 13.7 to 18.3 meters were examined. Almost all of this construction follows the beds of two unnamed creeks and their tributaries. A total of four prehistoric sites were identified along these streams, three of which were recommended for further archeological testing.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Project Objectives: -Conduct test excavations at sites 18PR141, 18PR142, and 18PR143 to better determine their extent, nature, and chronological position.
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Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR141.

Site 18PR142 has the potential to address substantive research questions related to environmental change and human adaptation to stream stabilization at the end of the Late Archaic as well as human exploitation of anadromous fish resources such as shad. Given the site's multi-component nature, the presence of diagnostic artifacts and intact features, and potential research questions waiting to be answered, Site 18PR142 should be considered a significant resource with strong research potential.

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR143.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1976 Stewart, R.M.
18PR141, 18PR143: Preliminary Considerations of Two Sites Excavated in Accokeek, Maryland.

Library ID No: 00006568 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 19A

Sites examined:

18PR141 18PR143

Project Details:

Project Justification:
This report is a compilation of the impressions, initial interpretations, and conclusions of one of the field technicians participating in the 1976 WSSC Sewer Extension Project along Piscataway Creek.

Project Objectives:
-Report preliminary findings from the 1976 WSSC Sewer Extension Project along Piscataway Creek in southern Prince George's County.

Research Potential:

The work conducted at 18PR141 suggests that it is a fairly intact prehistoric site with evidence of multiple occupations at horizontally discrete locales within the site. The cultural deposits are contained within a buried paleosol and contain diagnostic artifacts. While the western-most portion of the site may have been disturbed by highway improvements, much of the site may still be intact and warrant further investigation utilizing modern techniques.

Site 18PR143 appears to have been occupied first by populations corresponding to the Early Woodland with increasing intensity of use going on through the Middle and Late Woodland. Initially the site would appear to have been primarily a quarry and tool manufacturing site with the users carrying their partially finished tools back to a site like 18PR142. During the Late Woodland these same activities continue, but new ones such as vegetable food gathering and primary processing also became important. During this period, 18PR143 was apparently an outpost of more permanent base camps, in this case probably one of the large Piscataway or Potomac floodplain horticultural settlements. Provided that the sewer-line installation went forward as planned in 1976, the site was likely destroyed by construction activities. Thus, 18PR143 has no remaining research potential.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2000 Gardner, W.M., et. al.
Phase Ib Intensive Archeological Identification Survey for the Widening of MD 210 [Indian Head Highway] and the Improvements of Nine Signalized Intersections, Extending from the Capital Beltway to MD 228, Prince George's County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration
Library ID No: 97000545 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 258

Research Firm/Institution:

Thunderbird Archeological Associates, Inc.
126 East High Street
Woodstock, VA 22664

Sites examined:

18PR166 18PR297 18PR590
NRHP Eligible: NRHP Eligible:

Project Details:

Phase I **Project Justification:**
Phase II
Phase III
This research consisted of a Phase IB intensive survey in the Area of Potential Effect (APE) for a planned highway widening project along the existing alignment of MD 210, from the Capital Beltway south to MD 228 as well as intersection improvements along the way.

Project Objectives:
-Conduct literature review and fieldwork to identify all potential archeological sites within the APE.

Research Potential:

This report is included on this Cover Sheet simply because it was consulted to provide information on the current status of 18PR141. The MD 210 widening project discussed in the report did not include any new work at 18PR141. However, the site's presence was noted and a current map was provided along with brief discussion of the site's integrity and suggestions for protecting the site during the construction phase. See above for remaining research questions at 18PR141.