

# Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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## REPORT INFORMATION:

1988 Shomette, D.G.  
Archaeological Reconnaissance of the Beach and Nearshore at Cross Manor, St. Mary's County, Maryland.  
Submitted to Washington Perspectives, Inc.

Research Firm/Institution:

Archeological Contractor

Upper Marlboro, MD

Library ID No: 00006445      Catalog/Shelving ID: ST 62

Sites examined:

18ST574

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Project Justification:</b> In May of 1988, Washington Perspectives, Inc. contracted for a preliminary underwater archeological investigation of the waters of the St. Inigoes Creek and the beachfront adjacent to the Cross Manor estate. The study was undertaken on behalf of the then current owners of Cross Manor to comply with U.S. Army Corp of Engineers permit requirements for the construction of sea walls, bulkheads, a riprap breakwater, and the fill and planting of marsh grasses along the estate shoreline to stabilize the beach against erosion.
Phase II	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>Project Objectives:</b> -Establish the parameters of the cultural resource base within the area of potential effect
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Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18ST574.

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## REPORT INFORMATION:

1988 Gardner, W.M.  
Archeological Investigations at Cross Manor Sand Spit, St. Mary's County, Maryland.  
Submitted to Washington Perspectives, Inc.

Research Firm/Institution:

Thunderbird Archeological Associates  
126 East High Street  
Woodstock, VA 22664

Library ID No: 00006448      Catalog/Shelving ID: ST 65

Sites examined:

18ST574

Project Details:

Phase I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Project Justification:</b> In October of 1988, a systematic search of the near-shore area along the tip of the Cross Manor peninsula was conducted. The goal of the investigation was to determine if heavy machine activity associated with the proposed shoreline stabilization project would impact any significant subsurface archeological remains on the tract of land that made up the project area.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>Project Objectives:</b> -Determine the impact of heavy machinery on the land portion of the site -Record and map any features associated with the wharf
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Research Potential:

The Grason's Wharf site (18ST574) is significant as an historic wharf/coaling station during the Civil War period of occupation, as a generic Maryland riverfront facility, but most importantly as a unique typological variant of 18th century, and possibly 17th century, wharf design surviving into the 19th and 20th centuries. It is unclear how much of the wharf site was avoided or damaged during the shoreline stabilization project but there may be remnant pilings located in the area immediately adjacent to the riprap.

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