

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Archeological Investigations at the Third Haven Meeting House (18TA241), Talbot County,
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Research Firm/Institution:

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Sites examined:

18TA241

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: The Third Haven Meeting House received Maryland State Capital Grant Funds in 1988 to assist in stabilizing and restoring the frame structure. In 1989, Phase I and II archeological evaluations of the site were undertaken in compliance with Maryland Historic Preservation Legislation, ahead of proposed restoration activities.
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Phase III	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Project Objectives:
-Determine if proposed stabilization and restoration of the Meeting House would disturb significant archeological deposits
-Substantiate archeologically previously documented historic building and renovation activities associated with the site
-Examine subsurface anomalies recorded during previous ground-penetrating radar surveys on the property
-Document archeologically specific behavioral patterns associated with meeting house rules followed by the Religious Society of Friends
-Present plans to mitigate adverse impacts to sensitive archeological resources identified as a result of the study

Research Potential:

The Third Haven Meeting House (18TA241) represents archeological deposits associated with a Religious Society of Friends (Quaker) Meeting House that has been in continuous use from the late 17th century. The immediate setting has been park-like, probably for the last 300 years. Due to the limited nature of the archeological investigations, only hints of behavioral patterns and the building episodes associated with the structure could be gleaned. If any further earth-moving activities are proposed for the site or the immediate vicinity, archeological excavations could provide more data on behavioral patterns associated with meeting house rules followed by the Religious Society of Friends.