

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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Intensive Phase I Archeological Survey of the Proposed Widening of I-70 over the Great Tonoloway Creek and Phase II Site Investigation of Bowles Mill (18WA498), Hancock, Washington County, Maryland.
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Sites examined:

18WA498 Others

NRHP Eligible:

[Justification](#)

Project Details:

Phase I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Justification: Phase I and II work was carried out at 18WA498 in preparation for the widening of a bridge on I-70. The highway work included the construction of new piers on the north side of the westbound bridge span, retaining walls, and two stormwater management ponds.
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Phase III		

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Project Objectives: -Determine the horizontal extent of the site. -Locate the tailrace and any other features that might be adversely affected by proposed construction. -Sample the site's artifact content. -Evaluate the site's integrity. -Assess the site's historical significance in terms of National Register of Historic Places criteria.
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Research Potential:

Following Phase II work at Site 18WA498, avoidance of the site was recommended as the highway construction would not impinge upon the site (despite being within the proposed highway expansion right-of-way). Many of the components of the site appear to be somewhat intact (enough to permit a basic reconstruction of the mill's probable layout) and may still have potential to answer research questions related to 19th century mill technologies.