

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1989 Lanphear, K.M.
Archaeological Investigations at Pemberton Hall, 18WC29: 1989 Field Season.
Submitted to the Pemberton Historical Park
Library ID No: 00005118 Catalog/Shelving ID: WC 23

Research Firm/Institution:

Salisbury State University - Department of Sociology and Anthropology
1101 Camden Ave.
Salisbury, MD 21801

Sites examined:

18WC29

Project Details:

	Project Justification:
Phase I	This report describes fieldschool excavations in 1989 at Pemberton Hall (18WC29) by the Salisbury State University Department of Sociology and Anthropology. The work appears to have been carried out as pure research, to support the department's mission to train students and volunteers.
Phase II	
Phase III <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Project Objectives:
-Locate the piers for the back stoop of Pemberton Hall so that it might be reconstructed, and determine the direction of the associated steps.
-Locate any walkways in front of the house and collect a sample of artifacts from the front yard.
-Attempt to locate the 18th century slave quarters purported to have been east of the house.
-Test an area approximately 30.5 m in front of the house for the location of other outbuildings and to determine the probable limits of human occupation of that area.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WC29.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1993 Sanders, S.L.C. and M.T. Moran
Phase I Archeological Investigations of Portions of Pemberton Historical Park, Wicomico County, Maryland.
Submitted to Wicomico County - Dept. of Recreation and Parks
Library ID No: 00005121 Catalog/Shelving ID: WC 26

Research Firm/Institution:

R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, Inc.
337 East Third Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Sites examined:

18WC29

Project Details:

	Project Justification:
Phase I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This report describes Phase I survey across 70 acres of the Pemberton Historical Park property in 1992. The study was undertaken on behalf of the Wicomico County Department of Recreation and Parks. The county's long-term development plans include reconstruction of the historic homelot, as well as the establishment of public interpretation programs for other sites and activity areas within the park. The archeological work was publically funded by both county funds and by a Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) Non-Capital State Historic Preservation Grant.
Phase II	
Phase III	

Project Objectives:
-Identify and document historic and prehistoric resources within Pemberton Park.
-Evaluate the potential significance of any identified resources, applying the National Register of Historic places criteria.
-Develop management recommendations concerning future treatment and interpretation of any identified archeological resources.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WC29.

REPORT INFORMATION:

Research Firm/Institution:

1998 Otter, E.
Archaeological Investigations at Pemberton Hall: A Study of Outbuildings.
Submitted to the Pemberton Hall Foundation

Edward Otter - Archaeologist
PO Box 411
Oxford, MD 21654

Library ID No: 00007026 Catalog/Shelving ID: WC 30

Sites examined:

18WC29

Project Details:

Phase I		Project Justification:	Project Objectives:
Phase II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In 1998, a testing project was carried out at Pemberton Hall (18WC29), which is operated by the Wicomico County Department of Recreation and Parks and is under the direction of the Pemberton Hall Foundation. Both organizations are interested in developing Pemberton Hall as a Historic Park and ongoing restorations of the building(s) have been geared towards this end. At the time of the testing, the organizations were preparing to reconstruct outbuildings which were once part of the Pemberton plantation. Up to that date, only one area beyond the standing house footprint had been found to contain a building foundation dating to the 18th century. This area, just east of the kitchen wing (thought to be the location of a smokehouse or dairy), was the location of the 1998 work. Funds for the excavation were provided through a grant from the Maryland Historical Trust.	-Mitigate the impacts of proposed construction east of the kitchen wing at Pemberton Hall.
Phase III			-Locate important architectural information on which to base the building reconstruction.

Research Potential:

Based on the findings to date at 18WC29, the site is clearly a significant resource. Intact features are very likely present at the site. Unfortunately, much of the archeology that has been conducted on the site to-date has been poorly reported. In some cases, more recent work has revealed that earlier work has severely disturbed artifacts and features, resulting in a significant data loss. The site should be carefully managed and any future work should not be permitted unless a clear threat of data loss is present and adequate reporting is considered a prerequisite to any approval to dig.
