

RE: [EXTERNAL] Chrysalis Archaeology - DLRP File No. 1902-21-0001.1 BHT-Andover Contractor Office, HPO Project No. 21-1088 (Stickles Pond Road, Andover, NJ) - Revised Phase IB Report submission for review

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HPO Project No. 21-1088-4
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RE:

Sussex County, Andover Borough
Proposed BHT-Andover Contractor Office and Yards
Revised Phase IA & IB Archaeological Survey
248 Stickles Pond Road
Block 151, Lot 21
DLRP File No. 1902-21-0001.1

Hello Steven:

Thank you for providing the Historic Preservation Office (HPO) with the opportunity for review and comment on the potential for the above-referenced project to affect historic and archaeological resources. The comments are in response to the following revised cultural resource report submitted to the HPO on April 18, 2022, for review and comment:

Juergens, Helen, Shannon Bruffett, Althea Wunderler-Selby, Elissa Rutigliano, and Alyssa Loorya
April 8, 2021 *Phase IA & IB Investigations of the Proposed BHT Development at Stickles Pond Road, Sussex County, New Jersey.* Prepared for Chrysalis Archaeological Consultants, Inc., Brooklyn, NY. Prepared by PaleoWest, New York, NY.

Archaeology

Upon review, the revised archaeological sections of the report address the previous HPO comments (HPO A2022-077) and is now in keeping with the HPO's guidelines and rules for Phase I reporting. HPO analysis of the report data suggests the Stickle-Acherman Farmstead archaeological site (Field Sites A-C, Building 5 area) appears to represent a potentially significant archaeological resource dating from the late eighteenth century (with evidence for a possible pre-1814 structure in Test Unit 1) through to the late nineteenth century. However, upon review of the revised project plans dated 3/8/2022, this area will be avoided as part of the proposed development activities. The HPO recommends that no additional potentially significant archaeological resources were identified within the remainder of the project site. The HPO concurs with the above referenced report that if project plans change and the Stickle-Acherman Farmstead archaeological site area is subject to any ground disturbing activities, Phase II archaeological survey will be necessary to evaluate the deposits for inclusion on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places.

Historic Architecture

As the revised 3/8/2022 project plans identify that this area will be avoided by project development and screened by existing vegetation, the HPO does not recommend any additional consideration of project

effects on these structures. If project plans change regarding this farmstead complex, please consult with the HPO.

Summary

As the project is now redesigned and avoids the Stickle-Acherman Farmstead archaeological site and farmstead complex, the HPO does not request any additional consideration of project effects on historic and archaeological resources prior to permit issuance. If project plans change that will affect this area, please consult with the HPO.

Additional Comments

Thank you again for providing this opportunity for review and comment on the potential for this project to affect historic and archaeological resources. Please reference the HPO project number 21-1088 in any future calls, emails, or written correspondence to help expedite your review and response. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Vincent.maresca@dep.nj.gov with questions regarding archaeology or Jennifer Leynes at Jennifer.leynes@dep.nj.gov with questions regarding historic architecture.

Regards,

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