

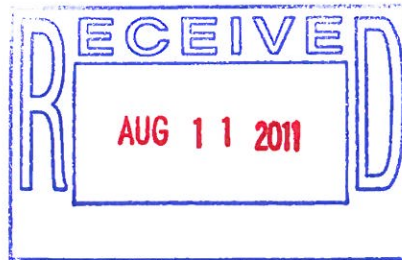


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July 29, 2011

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Re: DEC
Phase 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports
Summit Woods Subdivision
NY Route 52, north of I-84/EAST FISHKILL,
Dutchess County
10PR06152

Dear Mr. Day:

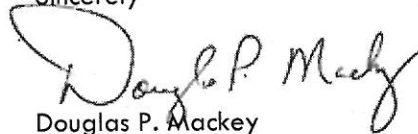
Thank you for requesting the comments of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) concerning your project's potential impact/effect upon historic and/or prehistoric cultural resources. Our staff has reviewed the Phase 1 and 2 Archaeological reports prepared by Tracker Archaeology Services which you recently submitted to our office. Based on this review we offer the following comments:

The Phase 1 investigation identified two archaeological sites which have been added to the statewide inventory as the Van Arden Site Locus 1 (Unique Site Number A02705.000281) and the Van Arden Site Locus 2 (A02705.000282). Based on our review of the Phase II report, we concur with the recommendations that Locus 1 be considered eligible for the State and National Registers (NR) of Historic Places under Criteria D (ability to provide information on prehistory); and that Locus 2 be considered Not Eligible. While we concur with the NR eligible state for Locus 1, we are concerned about the boundaries of the site established. The testing methodology does not seem to have extended to "double negative" tests in all directions before setting site limits. Therefore, we would recommend that for now, the entire parcel identified as Lot 30 on the project plans be considered the location of Locus 1.

Based on these findings, the OPRHP recommends that you consider how the project can be redesigned to avoid impacting the Locus 1 Site (Lot 30). If the site can be avoided, please submit an avoidance plan which illustrates how the site will be avoided and protected from accidental impacts during construction (fencing, signage, etc.). If you feel that the site can not be avoided, please document why and submit that along with a proposed plan to mitigate the adverse impacts of your project to the site. Which ever approach is selected, the documentation should be submitted to our office and to Mr. Petronella at DEC as well. You should also be aware that the DEC may need to advise the interested Native American groups for this area that a site is present and has been determined eligible, and provide them the opportunity to comment on any future submissions.

As for above-ground resources, Nancy Todd, who now covers Dutchess County, is still awaiting photographs of all 50+ year old buildings/structures within or adjacent to the proposed subdivision (see Bill Krattinger's request of 6 October 2010 (copy attached). When responding, please be sure to refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above. Please contact me at extension 3291, or by e-mail at douglas.mackey@oprhp.state.ny.us, if you have any questions regarding these comments.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas P. Mackey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Douglas" being the most prominent.

Douglas P. Mackey
Historic Preservation Program Analyst
Archaeology

Cc: John Petronella, DEC
Jeff Greg, DEC (e-mail)
Al Cammisa, Tracker (e-mail)

**REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BUILDINGS/STRUCTURES/DISTRICTS****PROJECT NUMBER 10PR06152****(Summit Woods Subdivision/NY Route 52, north of I-84/T/EAST FISHKILL)**

In order for us to complete our evaluation of the historic signification of all buildings/structures/districts within or adjacent to your project area we will need the following additional information

- ☒ Full project description showing area of potential effect.
- ☒ Clear, original photographs of buildings/structures 50 years or older.
 - ☒ within or ☒ immediately adjacent to the project area
 - ** key all photographs to a site map*
- ☐ Clear, original photographs of the surroundings looking out from the project site in all direction,
keyed to a site map.
- ☐ Date of construction.
- ☐ Brief history of property.
- ☐ Clear, original photographs of the following:
- ☐ Other:

re. sent 8/1/11

Please provide only the additional information checked above. If you have any question concerning this request for additional information, please call William Krattinger at 5182378643. ext 3265

**PLEASE BE SURE TO REFER TO THE PROJECT NUMBER NOTED ABOVE WHEN
RESPONDING TO THIS REQUEST**