Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1942  Weslager, C.A.
      Ossuaries on the Delmarva Peninsula and Exotic Influences in the Coastal Aspect of the
      Woodland Period, American Antiquity 8(2):142-151.
      Library ID No: AA8-2

Sites examined:
18DO30

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

This article discusses finds from the Sandy Point Site.

Phase II

Phase III  X

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1953  Mason, J. A.
      New Discoveries on the Choptank River, Delmarva Peninsula, and Their Implications.
      Library ID No: ESAF12

Sites examined:
18DO30

Project Details:

Project Justification:

This is a short article that is a review of then recent work conducted at Sandy Hill.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1954  Jackson, R. W.
      Library ID No: ARCLOG6-3

Sites examined:
18DO30
This is a summary article of work done at the Sandy Hill Site up to 1954.

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

**REPORT INFORMATION:**
1958 Ford, T. L.
Adena Traits in Maryland. Eastern States Archeological Federation No. 17:10-11.

Library ID No: ESAF17

Sites examined:
18DO30

This is a short article reassessing the artifact inventory from the Sandy Hill Site.

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

**REPORT INFORMATION:**
1966 Dunn, M. L., Jr.

Library ID No: ARCLOG18-

Sites examined:
18DO30

This article provides a very short summary of the Sandy Hill Site.

See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

**REPORT INFORMATION:**
1976 Ford, T. L.
Adena Sites on Chesapeake Bay.

Library ID No: 00000532 Catalog/Shelving ID: AN 59

Sites examined:
18DO30
Ford interviewed the collectors with material from the Sandy Hill Site.

Research Potential:
See below for remaining research questions at 18DO30.

REPORT INFORMATION:
1999 Curry, D.C.
Feast of the Dead: Aboriginal Ossuaries in Maryland.

Library ID No: 00007502 Catalog/Shelving ID: E78.M3C87

Research Firm/Institution:
Maryland Historical Trust
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032

Sites examined:
18DO30 others

Project Details:
Project Justification:
This work is an accumulation of data on ossuaries in Maryland. It pays particular attention to recurring attributes and data categories in order to facilitate broad-scale comparison and synthesis.

Project Objectives:
- Form a comprehensive, well-organized compendium of archeological reference data for use by professional archeologists studying late prehistoric societies, and ossuaries in particular.
- Introduce the general public to a unique Native American cultural and religious practice and, ultimately, to the benefits of modern archeology.

Research Potential:
The Sandy Hill Site (18DO30) is the oldest known of the Adena sites on the Eastern Shore. It was excavated under highly adverse conditions and thus much of the information has been lost. This is highly unfortunate due to the large amount of Sandy Hill artifacts recovered and still in local collections. Despite the difficulty in the excavation of the Sandy Hill Site, the materials found and the knowledge of this location has provided valuable information as to Adena movements. Furthermore, the presence of the Late Woodland ossuary provides important information on the character of burials at that time. Although a significant archeological resource, the site has been largely lost due to natural erosional process and modern development.