

SECTION 4.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Archaeological monitoring was completed adjacent to the St. John's Cemetery along northbound Elkton Road and eastbound West Park Place and adjacent to the St. John's AUMP Church cemetery along southbound Elkton Road as part of road and utility upgrades along Elkton Road from Casho Mill Road to Delaware Avenue in Newark, New Castle County, Delaware. The archaeological monitoring protocol was developed in accordance with the procedures outlined in Delaware's *Unmarked Human Remains Law* (7 DE Code, Chapter 54, Subchapter II).

The archaeological monitoring documented the relocation of utility poles, the removal and replacement of sidewalk and curb, and the mechanical excavation of trenches for the installation of underground energy, telecommunications, traffic control and sanitary utilities. The depths of impacts ranged from approximately one to eight feet below grade. Construction activities were divided into northbound and southbound phases along Elkton Road. Archaeological monitoring was conducted in five periods between January 22, 2010 and January 13, 2012 that coincided with the two phases of construction.

No evidence of unmarked grave shafts, human burials, or human skeletal remains, or associated artifacts was observed during construction related excavations within the APE. No cultural features or concentrations of cultural materials were identified. No further archaeological investigation is required.

