Summary and Recommendations, Segment 4

Preliminary and extended Phase II archeological investigations of Segment 4 revealed structural remains in two areas, Dwelling H and Walkers Bank. In addition, two refuse deposits were found in association with Dwelling H as well as a cellar deposit. Refuse deposits were present at Walkers Banks in addition to two wells. Additional archival and archeological investigations are recommended. Additional archeological work is not recommended for a third area, Cistern B, as it is felt that the research potential of the feature has been exhausted by the current excavations.

SEGMENT 5

This segment (Figure 7) includes the entrance area to the DuPont Experimental Station and has been extensively graded. Archival investigations failed to reveal the presence of historic period sites. Due to extensive land alterations in this location, the presence of intact archeological remains was determined unlikely. No fieldwork was conducted at this location.

SEGMENT 6

Segment 5 (Figures 2, 28, 43 and 44) lies on the northeast side of Route 141 and is completely within the DuPont Country Club golf course and driving range. The segment extends 4000 feet from the intersection of Rockland Road to the edge of the woods marking the end of Segment 4. The project area is 200 feet wide for the entire length of this section. The grounds keeper from the country club was helpful in identifying those sections of the golf course which had, in his memory, been landscaped for green and fairway construction and these areas were not tested. All other areas were tested during the preliminary Phase I investigations. A total of 22 shovel tests, placed according to topographic conditions, were excavated along the segment (Figures 28, 43 and 44). All but two shovel tests revealed only slight amounts of cultural material which is interpreted as secondary field scatter, and is not considered to be significant. Two adjacent shovel tests, however, revealed a relatively high amount of historic period artifacts, and this was designated as DuPont Country Club Site.

DuPont Country Club Site

Shovel Tests 11 and 15 revealed a relatively high amount of historic artifacts in comparison with the other test units in this segment (Figure 28). However, these test units are next to the Number Seven Tee and the artifacts originated from a fill zone related to landscaping activities from the golf course construction. They are not in situ and are not considered significant. In support of this is the fact that archival study failed to reveal any evidence for the presence of a structure at this location. Therefore, Extended Phase I testing was not conducted at this location.

FIGURE 43
PORTION OF SEGMENT 6

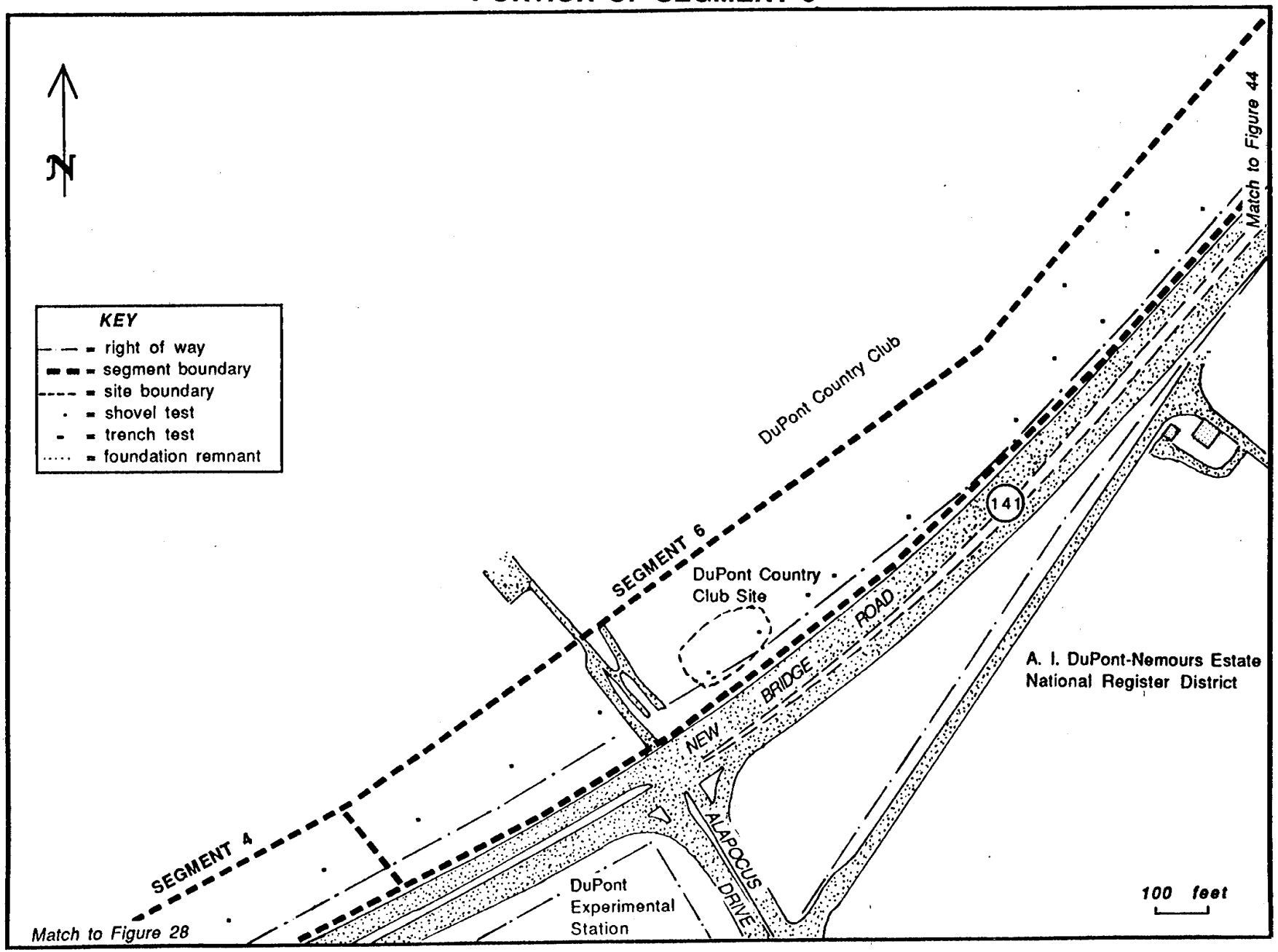
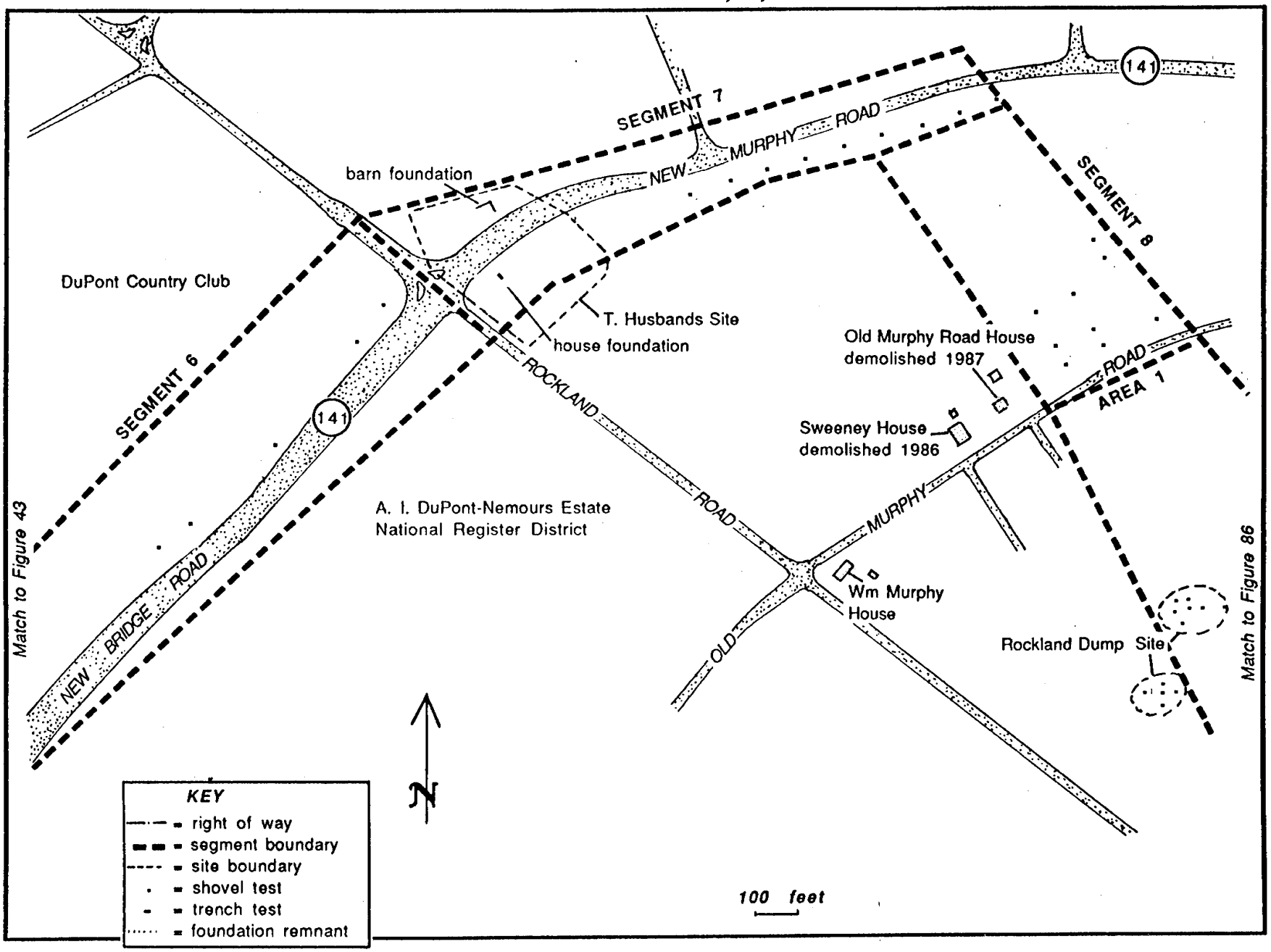


FIGURE 44
PORTIONS OF SEGMENTS 6, 7, 8 & AREA 1



W. Husband Site

The W. Husband site was known to be in the general area of Segment 6 (Figure 3) and was brought to our attention by BAHP personnel. The site was located on the ground with the aid of the golf course grounds keeper who was familiar with the site. It is located well outside the project boundaries. No field investigations were conducted at the site.

No further work beyond the preliminary Phase I testing noted above was recommended for Segment 6.

SEGMENT 7

Segment 7 (Figures 2 and 44) follows New Murphy Road for a distance of 1500 feet beginning at Rockland Road. The majority of the northern section is in a wooded lot while the southern section is open with a grass cover. The T. Husbands site is located at the southern end of this segment.

The wooded lot to the northeast was tested during the preliminary Phase I field investigations. A total of nine shovel test units were excavated. They were spaced every 100 feet in a single row following a line 50 feet from the Route 141 road surface. All units were excavated to the subsoil and no significant archeological remains were recovered. No additional work was recommended for this section of Segment 7.

T. Husbands Site (7NC-B-9)

The BAHP has a site recorded at the intersection of Rockland Road and New Murphy Road (Figures 3 & 44). This site is known as the T. Husbands site (7NC-B-9) and it appears on the Beers 1869 and later maps. There are no above ground remains of the house itself, which was located on the south side of New Murphy Road. There are, however, some ruins of a barn on the north side of Route 141; these are related to the site. Two standing stone walls which form the northeast corner of a large structure are present and there were a few farm implements lying on the ground immediately next to the walls.

Results of Preliminary Phase I Investigations

The house location was present on the design plans of the intersection which were provided by DelDOT. These plans show a two story structure on the south side of Route 141 but do not show anything on the north side where the barn ruins are located. A single test trench was excavated at the house site during the preliminary survey in order to determine the presence of buried subsurface remains associated with the house. The trench was placed where the north wall of the structure was located, based on the DelDOT plans (Figure 44). The results of the test unit revealed a thin humus layer lying on stone and brick rubble which had the appearance of fill. No intact walls were evident in this