

Chapter 5 - Summary Results

A Phase I and Phase II historic architectural survey was conducted within the established APE for the improvement of Greenbank Road at the intersection with Albertson Road. Four tax parcels/properties containing 3 resources greater than 50-years of age were identified within the APE. However, in keeping with National Park Service guidance, only one resource was evaluated for eligibility for listing to the National Register of Historic Places. The recommendations of eligibility are summarized below. No property within the APE is presently listed on the National Register.

The New Castle County Workhouse – Women’s Ward has been identified as eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A as the first women’s prison constructed in Delaware. Two dwellings in the Albertson Park Subdivision N-14,485 and N-14,486 were determined not eligible for the National Register.

Under the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended, the effect of a federally permitted or funded undertaking on properties listed in or eligible for the National Register must be addressed using the Criteria of Adverse Effects. The evaluation of effects of the proposed intersection alteration on listed or recommended eligible properties and districts will be included in a separate effects document.

Recommendations for Future Research

Additional research should be conducted to determine whether or not the New Castle County Workhouse – Women’s Ward could also be eligible for the National Register under Criteria Consideration G: Properties that have Achieved Significance within the Past Fifty Years. Further research into the details of Webb’s career may also be required. Present policy dictates that these documents will be classified as long as John L. Webb is alive.

Research should be conducted to determine the significance of remnant features associated with the New Castle County Workhouse. This will require research into the history of the stone structure that is a remnant of the New Castle County Workhouse at the intersection of State Route 41 and State Route 2. A full historic context of the corrections system would also be a valuable asset to the state’s historic preservation literature. Corrections and criminal rehabilitation have long been institutions of government. Furthermore, the operation and administration of prisons is well documented. Physical resources exist throughout the state and records can be found in a variety of institutional repositories.

The Albertson Park Subdivision should be evaluated for eligibility for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. *Suburbanization in the Vicinity of Wilmington, Delaware 1880-1950 +/-: A Historic Context* by Susan Mulchahey Chase, David L. Ames, and Rebecca J. Siders will be a helpful resource for research in this area.