

INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration, The Louis Berger Group, Inc. (Berger), completed a National Register of Historic Places architectural evaluation survey of U.S. Route 13 from Loockerman Street to Townsend Boulevard in Dover, Delaware (Figure 1). The highway project consists of the construction of sidewalks along both sides of U.S. Route 13 in Dover at two locations, from Loockerman Street to Division Street and from White Oak Road to Townsend Boulevard. Between these two portions of U.S. Route 13, from Division Street to White Oak Road, no construction work is planned, and this area was therefore excluded from the architectural survey.

The goals of the survey were (1) to identify and document all architectural resources 50 years of age or older within the project's area of potential effect (APE), and (2) to determine whether any of these documented resources meet the eligibility criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Background research and fieldwork for this survey were conducted during the week of January 8, 2001.

The field survey and research were conducted by Berger Architectural Historian Eric Griffiths. Ms. Martha Bowers, Berger Principal Architectural Historian, supervised the survey. Maribel Solivan edited the report, and Jacqueline Horsford, Graphics Supervisor, prepared the graphics and plates. The report was written by Mr. Griffiths.

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The architectural National Register evaluation survey was carried out in accordance with the instructions and intents of Section 101 (b) (4) of the National Environmental Policy Act; Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended; the Procedures for the Protection of Historic Properties (36 CFR 800); and Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act (23 CFR 771).

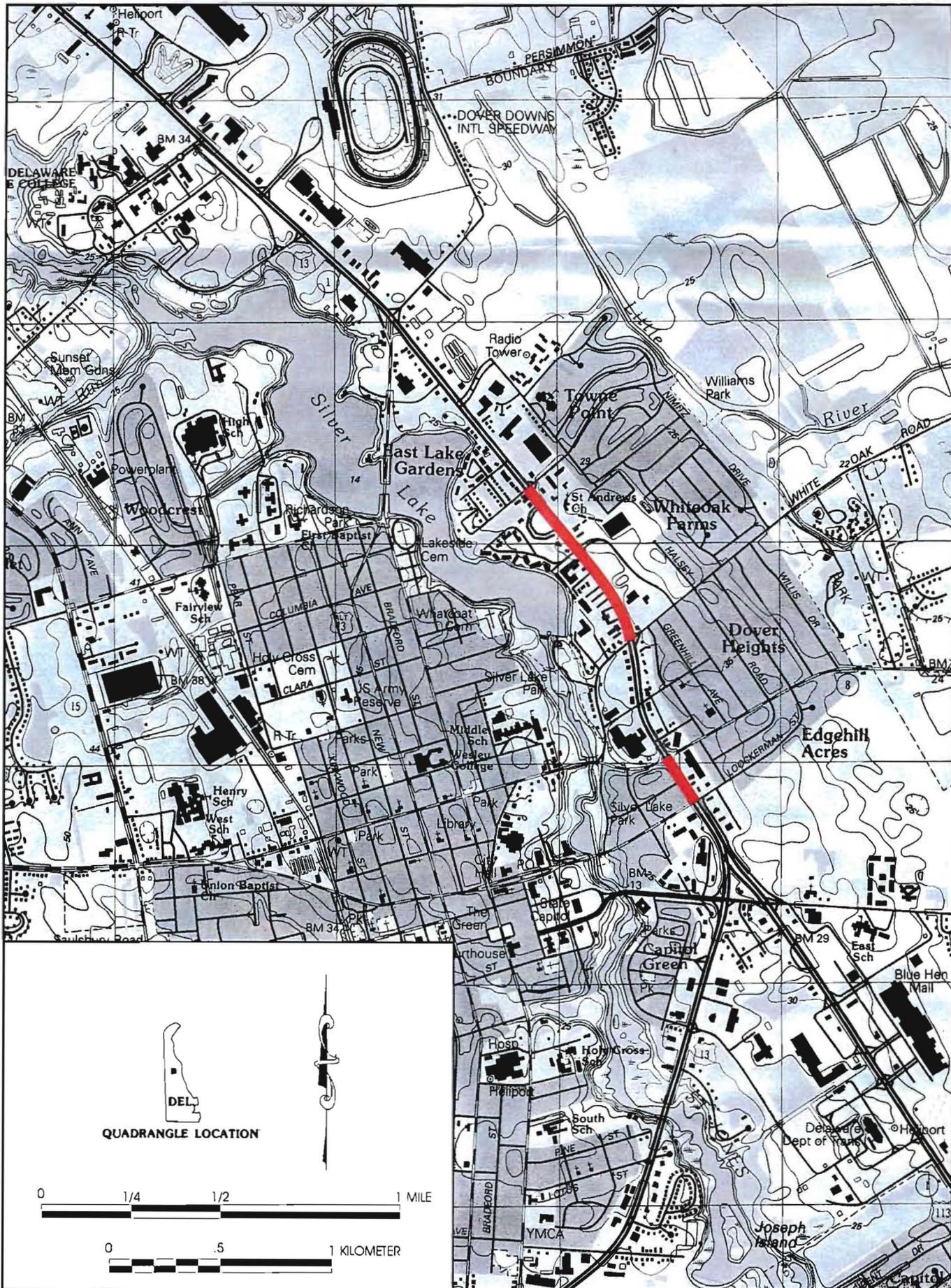


FIGURE 1: Project Area Location

SOURCE: USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle, Dover, DE 1993