

FINAL
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN
DOCKET NO. AB 290 (SUB-NO. 364X)

October 14, 2014

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

() Notice of Exemption (X) Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

() **NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

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In this proceeding, the Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) filed a petition under 49 U.S.C. § 10502 seeking exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 to abandon approximately 0.46 miles of rail line on its City Point Branch in the City of Hopewell, Virginia. The rail line proposed for abandonment extends from milepost CP 9.40 to milepost CP 9.86 (the Line). The abandonment is being sought for the purpose of transferring ownership of the Line to Regional Enterprises (Regional), the shipper currently using the line. Regional intends to continue using the Line for rail access to its transload facility.

The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on September 3, 2014 for public review and comment. In the EA, OEA recommended one environmental condition and one historic preservation condition (which are not changed in this Final EA, and are set forth below) and concluded that the proposed abandonment would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment. The environmental condition is required for compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1451 *et seq.*) and the historic preservation condition is necessary because the Section 106 consultation process (16 U.S.C. § 470f) is not yet complete.

New Comments

OEA received one comment during the 30-day comment period. The Virginia Department of Historic Resources (State Historic Preservation Office or SHPO) commented that it conducted a search of the Virginia Cultural Resource Information System (VCRIS) and found five potential historic resources (as discussed below and shown in the attached VCRIS correspondence) in the general area of the proposed abandonment. SHPO is concerned that these five historic resources may be affected by the proposed abandonment. OEA discussed these potentially historic resources at length with the SHPO in a teleconference call on October 10, 2014. Because the National Park Service (NPS) administers land associated with two of the potential resources, SHPO requested that OEA consult with NPS. Accordingly, OEA has initiated consultation with NPS to discuss potential adverse impacts of the proposed abandonment on NPS historical resources. To date, OEA has made three attempts to contact

NPS, all unsuccessful, but will continue this outreach effort.

Two of the five resources, the Petersburg Battlefield I (VCRIS # 123-5024) and Petersburg Battlefield II (VCRIS # 123-5025), are located at the south end of the Line where the portion of rail line currently used to access the transload facility is located. Although VCRIS indicates that Petersburg Battlefield I is “not eligible” for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (National Register), SHPO believes otherwise because it states that VCRIS is not always accurate. For the Petersburg Battlefield II site, VCRIS identifies Petersburg Battlefield II as “likely eligible” for listing on the National Register. The Petersburg Battlefield resources include lands administered by NPS. SHPO believes there is a possibility that NPS may consider the rail line proposed for abandonment “contributing element” to one or both battlefield sites and, as a result, would like NPS to be consulted before SHPO makes a determination regarding adverse effects.

Applicable case law has made it clear that the environmental and historic review processes for proposed rail line abandonments are limited to the effects of the proposed abandonment itself – diversion of traffic to other modes and salvage of the rail line.¹ Here, no diversion would occur and no salvage would take place because the abandonment will only result in a transfer of ownership from NSR to the current shipper for continued rail access to the shipper’s transload facility without any reasonably foreseeable change in use of the line. Therefore, it appears that there is no potential adverse effect that is within the Board’s jurisdiction to consider or mitigate. However, because SHPO believes that NPS may have concerns about the effects of abandonment on these two potentially historic resources, OEA will continue its efforts to make contact with NPS as part of the Section 106 process.

SHPO identified three other resources — Appomattox Manor (VCRIS # 116-0001), City Point Historic District (VCRIS # 44PG0431), and an archaeological site (VCRIS # 116-0006) — in proximity to sections of the Line that are no longer used and are not needed for access to the transload facility. The Area of Potential Effect (APE) for historic review in this case is the rail line and its right of way. Because the three remaining sites identified do not appear to be within the APE of the proposed rail line abandonment, and because these three sites are all located north of the portion of the rail currently used and intended for future use for access to the shipper’s transload facility, there is no apparent and reasonably foreseeable adverse effect on these historic resources from the proposal before the Board in this case. However, because SHPO believes that NPS may have oversight authority of all of these resources, OEA will continue its efforts to make contact with NPS to obtain its opinion of potential “effect” as part of the Section 106 process.

In the interim, OEA notes that NSR is in the process of obtaining more detailed photographs of the area, per SHPO’s request, so that the sites may be more accurately evaluated. It should be emphasized, however, that the Board lacks jurisdiction over the facility owned by Regional Enterprises and has no role to play, or ability to control, any potential development plans the new private owner of the rail line segment for which abandonment authority is sought here might have for its facility.

¹ See, Iowa Southern R.R. Co. – Exemption – Abandonment, 5 I.C.C.2d 496 (1989)(Iowa Southern), aff’d., Goos v. ICC, 911 F.2d 1283 (8th Cir. 1990).

Conclusion

The EA comment period has ended. Accordingly, OEA recommends that the two conditions recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority. The conditions are:

1. Pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq.) and the Board's environmental regulations at 49 C.F.R. § 1105.9, the Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) shall consult with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's Coastal Zone Management Program and obtain state coastal management consistency certification. NSR may not file its consummation notice until it reports the results of these consultations in writing to the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the Board has removed this condition.
2. NSR shall retain its interest in and take no steps to alter the historic integrity of all historic properties including sites, buildings, structures, and objects within the project right-of-way (the Area of Potential Effect) that are eligible for listing or listed in the National Register of Historic Places until the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470f, has been completed. NSR shall report back to OEA regarding any consultations with the State Historic Preservation Office and the public. NSR may not file its consummation notice until the Section 106 process has been completed and the Board has removed this condition.

OEA concludes that if the above conditions are imposed, the proposed action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Attachment

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September 26, 2014

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Re: Railroad Abandonment between Mileposts CP 9.40 and CP 9.86
City of Hopewell
DHR File No. 2014-0799/Docket No. AB 290 (Sub-No. 364X)

Dear Ms. Wood,

On August 29th and September 15th, 2014, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received additional information on the above referenced project pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. We understand that the project will be receiving federal approval from the Surface Transportation Board (STB).

DHR understands that the Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) is proposing to abandon service for 0.46-miles of rail between milepost CP 9.40 and CP 9.86 in the City of Hopewell. Following abandonment, the right-of-way will be conveyed to Regional Enterprises who wishes to expand its transload facility at the end of the line.

We have reviewed the Environmental and Historic Report and STB's Environmental Assessment (Docket No. AB 290 (Sub-No. 364X) for Norfolk Southern Railway (NSR) Company LLC - Abandonment Exemption - in the City of Hopewell, Virginia. Unfortunately, we cannot concur with the STB's or NSR's opinion regarding historic resources. Our Virginia Cultural Resource Information System (V-CRIS) shows that there are five (5) resources that cross the proposed abandonment: the Petersburg Battlefield I (DHR ID#123-5024) and Petersburg Battlefield II (VLR/NRHP-eligible; 123-5025), Appomattox Manor (VLR/NRHP-listed; 116-0001), City Point Historic District (VLR/NRHP-listed; 116-0006), and archaeological site 44PG0431. As such, these

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buildings, districts, landscapes, and sites must be considered 'historic properties' for the purposes of Section 106.

We have concerns that the rail line, proposed for abandonment, may be contributing to one of these historic properties. As such, since the rail line is also located within Petersburg National Battlefield, the National Park Service (Petersburg National Battlefield division) should be consulted regarding this undertaking and asked to comment on the National Register eligibility of the rail line and potential effects of the abandonment and possible future redevelopment on archaeological resources. Please contact Julie Steele, at (804) 732-0171 x304, Julia_steele@nps.gov. We also request photos of the proposed abandonment area to better assess its environs.

Although it is proposed that the rail line would continue to be used by a private entity, there does not appear to be any long-term requirement for such use and the STB should consider the effects of eventual redevelopment of the right-of-way as part of this undertaking. Should you have any additional questions, I can be reached at (804) 482-6084 or via email, andrea.kampinen@dhr.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,



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Architectural Historian, Office of Review and Compliance

Cc: Julie Steele, NPS

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August 28, 2014

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RE: ORC Project Review Archives Search
Abandonment of approx. 0.46 miles of Norfolk Southern Rail Line in the City of Hopewell

Dear William A Mullins:

Thank you for your recent request for information from our archives on previously recorded archaeological and architectural resources within the area of potential effect, as delineated on your map, for the above-referenced project. Please note that your request for information from the Department of Historic Resources (DHR) Archives concerning the location of historic resources does not relieve you or your client from possible obligations under state or federal historic preservation regulations. I strongly recommend that you contact **Roger Kirchen**, DHR's Resource Services and Review Division at (804) 482-6091, if you have any questions concerning state and federal regulatory requirements.

Enclosed are the maps showing the locations of any archaeological or architectural resources within your project area. Copies of files on resources found within your project area are also enclosed. These copies include survey and site forms, photographs, and other pertinent material.

Also included is a spreadsheet printout from our architectural database with information on properties within your project area. The printout contains the DHR file number, resource name, register status (the "V/N" column), eligibility status ("Y" for potentially eligible, "N" for not potentially eligible and blank if not previously evaluated by DHR), and date of eligibility determination.

We have also examined our records for information concerning eligibility determinations for archaeological sites within your project area. If any such determinations have been made, a spreadsheet printout from our archaeological database with information on sites within your project area has been included. The printout contains the DHR site number, resource name, register status, eligibility status ("Y" for eligible, "N" for not eligible, "potentially" if found potentially eligible and blank if not previously evaluated by DHR), and date of eligibility determination.

Finally, an invoice is enclosed for the charges incurred through your use of our archives search service.

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Sincerely,



Lauren Leake
Archives - DHR

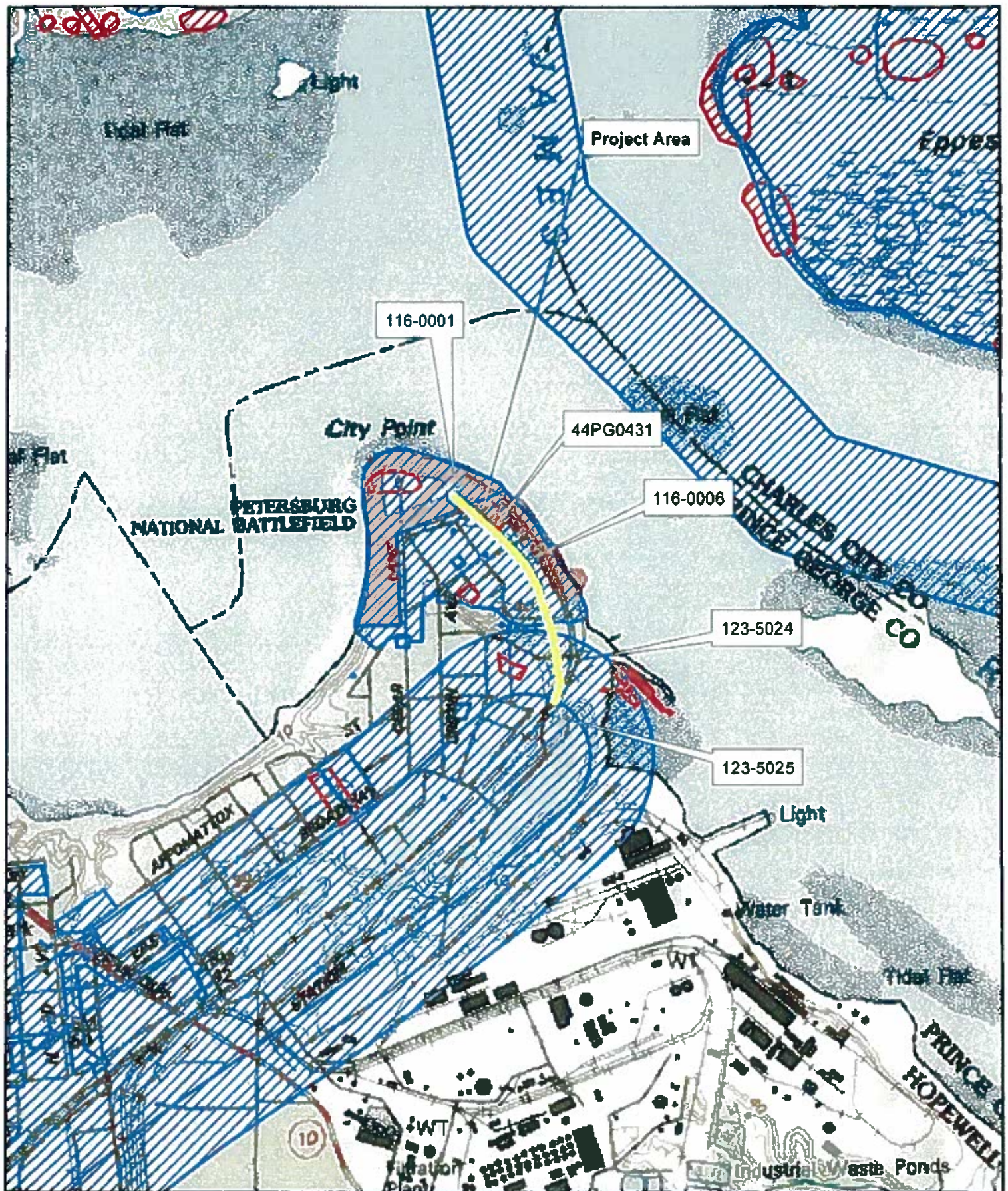
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 City of Hopewell
 Hopewell, VA 23860
 August 25, 2014
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Legend
 Yellow line: Rail Line Right of way
 Blue line: Architecture Resources
 Red line: Archaeological Resources

Sources: VOHR 2013, USGS 2002
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DHR ID	County	Resource Name	Theme	Historic Example	Temporal Desc	Quad
44PG043 1	Hopewell	Water St Tavern Foundation	Commerc e/Trade	Tavern/Inn	18th Century: 4th quarter	HOPEW ELL

DHR File No	Resource Name	City County	Quad	Register Easement	Comment	Eligibility
116-0001	Appomattox Manor (Eppes House)	Hopewell	Hopewell	VLR/NRHP	see 116-0006	
116-0006	City Point Historic District	Hopewell	Hopewell	VLR/NRHP		
123-5024	Petersburg Battlefield I	Petersburg	Prince George/Petersburg		CWSAC, VA098; June 9, 1864; ABPP deemed not eligible	N
123-5025	Petersburg Battlefield II (Assault on Petersburg)	Petersburg	Prince George/Petersburg		CWSAC, VA063; June 15-18, 1864; ABPP deemed likely eligible	Y

Snapshot

Date Generated: August 28, 2014

Site Name: Water St Tavern Foundation
Site Classification: Terrestrial, open air
Year(s): 1775 - 1799
Site Type(s): Tavern/Inn
Other DHR ID:
Temporary Designation: Water St. PL

Site Evaluation Status

Not Evaluated

Locational Information

USGS Quad: HOPEWELL
County/Independent City: Hopewell (Ind. City)
Physiographic Province: Coastal Plain
Elevation: 10
Aspect: Flat
Drainage: James River
Slope: 0 - 2
Acreage: 0.040
Landform: Floodplain
Ownership Status: Federal Govt
Government Entity Name: U.S. National Park Service

Site Components

Component 1

Category:
Site Type:
Cultural Affiliation: Indeterminate
DHR Time Period: 18th Century: 4th quarter
Start Year: 1775
End Year: 1799
Comments:

Component 2

Category: Commerce/Trade
Site Type: Tavern Inn
Cultural Affiliation:
DHR Time Period:
Start Year:
End Year:
Comments:

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

Informant Data:

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Title: Archeologist
Company 1: Center for Cultural Resources
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State: Pennsylvania
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Owner Relationship: Informant

CRM Events

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Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation
NRHP Listing
Current

Name
Appomattox Manor
Grant's Headquarters at City Point

Property Evaluation Status

NRHP Listing
VLR Listing

This Property is associated with the City Point Historic District

County/Independent City(s): Hopewell (Ind. City)

Incorporated Town(s):

Zip Code(s):

Magisterial District(s):

Tax Parcel(s):

USGS Quad(s): HOPEWELL

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting: Urban

Acreage: 10

Site Description:

On the point of the confluence of the James and Appomattox Rivers, south bank.

Surveyor Assessment:

Start Year: 1864

End Year: 1865

Date Source: Written Data

Type: Historical Event

Notes: Gen. Ulysses S. Grant establishes his headquarters at Appomattox Manor and remains there for the final ten months of the Civil War.

Appomattox Manor was built on the site of an earlier house. This early Colonial plantation was owned by Captain Francis Eppes. The title has been passed down in the Eppes family from generation to generation in an unbroken chain of lineal descent from 1635 to the present day.

This house was used by Gen. U.S. Grant as his headquarters late in the Civil War when nearby Petersburg was under siege. 42 cabins were built on the grounds to house Union staff. Abraham Lincoln visited here several times between 1864 and 1865. The house was fortified and cannons were placed around the point; no remnants of these fortifications remain.

Surveyor Recommendation: Legacy

Ownership

Ownership Category
Private

Ownership Entity

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category: Domestic

Resource Type: Single Dwelling

Date of Construction: 1763

Historic Time Period: Colony to Nation (1751 - 1789)

Historic Context(s):

Architectural Style: Other

Form:

Number of Stories: 1.5

Condition: Excellent

Interior Plan: Center Hall

Threats to Resource:

Architectural Description:

Frame; 1 1/2 stories; gable roof with cross gable over center bays; pedimented dormer windows over first-floor window openings; 7 bays; central 1-story, 3-bay, balconied porch in center 2 bays. Porch supports balcony and projecting 2-bay pedimented pavilion. Central-hall plan. Vernacular with Gothic Revival additions. Mid-18th century with 19th-century additions and alterations. Six-over-nine, double-hung sash

windows on first floor Six over-six, double-hung sash windows in dormers. Four-over-four, double-hung sash windows in central second-floor pavilion

Exterior Components

Component	Component Type	Material	Material Treatment
Windows	Sash, Double-Hung	Other	6/9
Windows	Sash, Double-Hung		6/6
Porch	1-story, 3-bay		
Structural System and Exterior Treatment	Frame	Other	
Roof	Complex		

Secondary Resource Information

Secondary Resource #1

Resource Category: Domestic
Resource Type: Kitchen
Architectural Style: Other
Form: 100734
Date of Construction: 1763
Condition: 100734
Threats to Resource: 100734
Architectural Description:

Flanking the manor to the rear is the kitchen. It predates the house by about 50 years and was originally associated with an earlier structure

Number of Stories: 100734

Secondary Resource #2

Resource Category: Agriculture Subsistence
Resource Type: Dairy
Architectural Style: Other
Form: 100734
Date of Construction: 1763
Condition: 100734
Threats to Resource: 100734
Architectural Description:

The dairy, which predates the manor by about 50 years, stands to the rear of the main dwelling

Number of Stories: 100734

Secondary Resource #3

Resource Category: Agriculture/Subsistence
Resource Type: Smoke/Meat House
Architectural Style: Other
Form: 100734
Date of Construction: 1763
Condition: 100734
Threats to Resource: 100734
Architectural Description:

The smokehouse stands to the rear of the dwelling. It predates the manor by about 50 years and was associated with an earlier structure

Number of Stories: 100734

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: City Point Historic District
Local Historic District Name:
Historic District Significance:

CRM Events

Event Type: NRHP Nomination

DHR ID: 116-0001
Staff Name: VHLC
Event Date: 8.1.1978
Staff Comment:
Inventory

Event Type: NRHP Listing

DHR ID: 116-0001
Staff Name: NPS
Event Date: 10.1.1969
Staff Comment:

Event Type: VLR Listing

DHR ID: 116-0001
Staff Name: VHLC
Event Date: 11.5.1968
Staff Comment:

Event Type: Survey:HABS Inventory

Project Review File Number:
Investigator:
Organization/Company: Unknown (DSS)
Sponsoring Organization:
Survey Date: 1.1.1959
Dhr Library Report Number: PG-145
Project Staff/Notes:

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

Property Notes:

Project Bibliographic Information:

Name: National Park Service
DHR CRM Report Number: PG-145
Record Type: Report
Bibliographic Notes: PG-145: National Park Service Cultural Landscapes Inventory 2009: Grant's Headquarters at City Point, Petersburg National Battlefield. 2009. #2009-1151

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Title: Architecture Labels

Date: 8/28/2014

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Property Names

Name Explanation
Descriptive

Name

City Point Historic District

County/Independent City(s):

Hopewell (Ind. City)

Incorporated Town(s):

Zip Code(s):

Magisterial District(s):

Tax Parcel(s):

USGS Quad(s):

HOPEWELL

Property Evaluation Status

NRHP Listing
VLR Listing

This Property is associated with the City Point Historic District.

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting:

Urban

Acreage:

39

Site Description:

The City Point Historic District in Hopewell, Virginia, is located at the tip of a small peninsula at the confluence of the Appomattox and James rivers. The district is defined to the south by an irregular line extending from the intersection of Francis Street and Cedar Lane to a point approximately 75' north of the intersection of Church and Water Streets. Portions of this border follow a steep, wooded ravine. This south border marks the division between the historic district and rows of early 20th-century bungalows, evidence of intense land development around 1914-1915. The remaining boundaries are established by the Appomattox River to the north and west and the James River to the east.

The district encompasses roughly seven blocks in area (39 acres) and is cut by an irregular grid of minor residential street. With the exception of lower Pecan Avenue, which still shows large granite spalls dating from 1864, all street are asphalt paved.

The district is sparsely populated and is characterized by low-density building and occasional stretches of vacant land. The area is enhanced by dense trees located east of Water Street and west of Cedar Lane, the original private farm road leading to open fields of Appomattox Manor north of Pecan Avenue combine to create a greenbelt virtually surrounding the district.

For more information, see National Register form.

Surveyor Assessment:

City Point Historic District of Hopewell, Virginia, located at the confluence of the Appomattox and James Rivers, is one of America's oldest communities. The district is historically significant as the site of an important 18th-century port, as the location of General Grant's military headquarters for ten months during the Civil War, and as a war boom town during World War I.

In 1607 Captain Christopher Newport, commander of the ships Susan Constant, Godspeed, and Discovery, led a small landing party up the James River in search of a strategic settlement site. He chose City Point to be England's first permanent settlement in the New World. Upon returning to his ships, however, Newport found the colonists, weary from travel and impatient to await the landing party's return, had disembarked at Jamestown Island. The City Point settlement was not established for another six years. Historians disagree over the exact siting of the original City Point. The original location may have been one or two miles west of the present town. In spite of the uncertainty concerning the original site, civic leaders and historians continue to boast of City Point as the oldest continuously occupied settlement in America.

Originally named Bermuda Cittie by its founder Sir Thomas Dale, the town was soon renamed Charles City Point for Prince Charles (later Charles I, King of England). By the early 18th century, Charles City Point appears in official records as City Point. City Point was incorporated as a town in 1826 and was annexed to Hopewell in 1923.

At the time of the Indian massacre on March 22, 1622, the point had only six dwellings. By the 1630s, due to its unique location, City Point had become the major port of entry for this region. One hundred forty years later, accounts describe City Point as a growing harbor serving both British and foreign ships carrying cargo of tobacco, grain, and lumber. Reflecting City Point's regional importance, in 1797 offices of the U. S. Customs Service were established here. Four years later, in January 1801, the U. S. Post Office opened a branch at City Point.

In spite of these surface indications, demographic studies reveal population remained low. By 1836 City Point's population was less than one hundred. In addition to five wharves and a small mill manufacturing flour barrels, the community was composed of twenty-five dwellings, three taverns, three retail shops, a school, a post office, and a church.

Ten years earlier, in an attempt to transform the point into Virginia's "great port of the future", the General Assembly granted permission to lay off fifty acres of land into street and lots (passed February 17, 1826). An 1827 description of the settlement as a "poor deserted place" reveals the project never matured. In 1834 a visitor described City Point as having only a few buildings and a natural wharf. He observed, "I could see neither city nor point". His comments, while exaggerated, indicate that the town's efforts to achieve prosperity and growth were less than successful.

See continuation sheets for more on Historic Significance see National Register Nomination.

Surveyor Recommendation:

Legacy

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category: Other
Resource Type: Historic District
Date of Construction: 1607Post
Historic Time Period: Contact Period (1607 - 1750)
Historic Context(s): Architecture/Community Planning
Architectural Style:
Form:
Number of Stories:
Condition:
Interior Plan:
Threats to Resource:
Architectural Description:

Secondary Resource Information

Secondary Resource #1

Resource Category:
Resource Type:
Architectural Style:
Form:
Date of Construction:
Condition:
Threats to Resource:
Architectural Description:

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: City Point Historic District
Local Historic District Name:
Historic District Significance:

CRM Events

Event Type: NRHP Listing

DHR ID: 116-0006
Staff Name:
Event Date: 10/15/1979
Staff Comment:

Event Type: VLR Listing

DHR ID: 116-0006
Staff Name:
Event Date: 9/19/1978

Staff Comment

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Event Type: NRHP Nomination

DHR ID: 116-0006
Staff Name: VHLC
Event Date: 8/1/1978
Staff Comment

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Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

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Property Notes:

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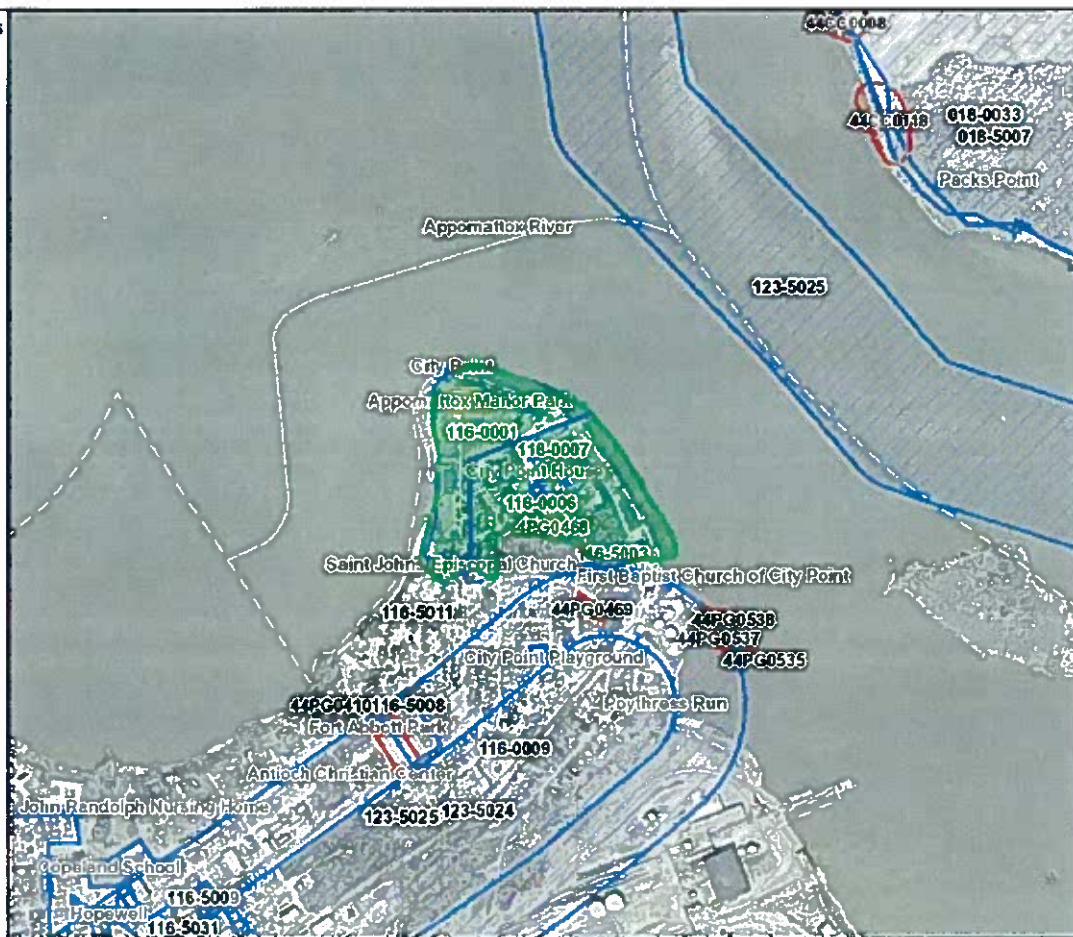
Project Bibliographic Information:

Name: NPS/Colonial Williamsburg Foundation
DHR CRM Report Number: PG-148
Record Type: Report
Bibliographic Notes: PG-148. Cultural Overview of City Point, Petersburg National Battlefield, Hopewell, Virginia, December 2004. Courtesy

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Legend

-  **Architecture Resources**
- Architecture Labels
-  **Individual Historic District Properties**
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Title: Architecture Labels

Date: 8/28/2014

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Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation
Historic
Historic

Name
Old Men & Young Boys
Petersburg Battlefield I

Property Evaluation Status

DHR Staff Not Eligible

Property Addresses

Current - Crater Road

County/Independent City(s): Petersburg (Ind. City)

Incorporated Town(s):

Zip Code(s):

Magisterial District(s):

Tax Parcel(s):

USGS Quad(s): PETERSBURG

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting: Urban

Acreage:

Site Description:

Petersburg's 10-month siege took place over a county-sized area east, south and southwest of the city. Petersburg National Battlefield preserves much of the siege times to the east - including the initial assaults, the Crater, and Fort Steadman. A swath of commercial and residential development has eradicated nearly all historic resources along Crater Road, the main road to the south. Many fortifications southwest of the city are preserved by the NPS or the City of Petersburg on land transferred by the NPS. Except for being sparsely dotted by modern residences, this large southwestern area remains remarkably unspoiled.

Surveyor Assessment:

Start Year: 1864
Date Source: Site Visit
Type: Historical Event

On June 9, Major General Benjamin Butler dispatched about 4,500 cavalry and infantry against the 2,500 Confederate defenders of Petersburg. While Butler's infantry demonstrated against the outer line of entrenchments east of Petersburg, Kautz's cavalry division attempted to enter the city from the south via the Jerusalem Plank Road but was repulsed by Home Guards. Afterwards, Butler withdrew. This was called the "battle of old men & young boys" by local residents. On June 14-17, the Army of the Potomac crossed the James River and began moving towards Petersburg to support and renew Butler's assaults.

Surveyor Recommendation: Legacy

Ownership

Ownership Category
Private
Public - Federal

Ownership Entity

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category: Defense

Resource Type: Battle Site

Date of Construction: 1864

Historic Time Period: Civil War (1861 - 1865)

Historic Context(s): Military Defense

Architectural Style: No Discernable Style

Form:

Number of Stories:

Condition: Demolished

Interior Plan:

Threats to Resource:

Architectural Description:

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The current site is composed of monuments/plaques and interpretive materials, while being used in a residential and commercial capacity.

Secondary Resource Information

Secondary Resource #1

Resource Category: ☐
Resource Type: ☐
Architectural Style: ☐
Form: ☐
Date of Construction: ☐
Condition: ☐
Threats to Resource: ☐
Architectural Description: ☐

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: ☐
Local Historic District Name: ☐
Historic District Significance: ☐

CRM Events

Event Type: DHR Staff: Not Eligible

DHR ID: 123-5024
Staff Name: Marc Holma
Event Date: 3/7/2014
Staff Comment:
DHR File No. 2002-1760

Event Type: Other

Project Review File Number: ☐
Investigator: APBB
Organization/Company: Unknown (DSS)
Sponsoring Organization: ☐
Survey Date: 1/24/2007
Dhr Library Report Number: Report on the Nation's Civil War Battlefields
Project Staff/Notes:

Preliminary survey data from American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) indicates that this historic Civil War battlefield is likely not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Review File Number: CWSAC - VA098
Investigator: CWSAC

Organization/Company: Unknown (DSS)
Sponsoring Organization:
Survey Date: 11/1993
Dhr Library Report Number: Report on the Nation's Civil War Battlefields
Project Staff/Notes:

Civil War Sites Advisory Commission Survey Form - no photos submitted - not dated or signed, but surveys occurred during the period between 1991 and 1993.

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

Property Notes:

Name: Unknown
Title: Superintendent
Company 1: Petersburg National Battlefield
Address 1: P.O. Box 549
City: Petersburg
State: Virginia
ZIP: 23804
Owner Relationship: Informant

Project Bibliographic Information:

Name: CCR
DHR CRM Report Number: PG-174
Record Type: Report
Bibliographic Notes: A Cultural Resources Identification Survey, Proposed Rives Road Widening From US 301 (Crater Road) to I-95, City of Petersburg, VA, December 2012.

Name: Circa-CRM, LLC
DHR CRM Report Number: PG-172
Record Type: Report
Bibliographic Notes: PG-172: Phase 1 Cultural Resources Survey of Brasfield Commons Tract, City of Petersburg, Virginia, March 2011. #2009-0092 and #2009-1056

Name: Civil War Sites Advisory Commission
DHR CRM Report Number: Report on the Nation's Civil War Battlefields
Record Type: Book
Bibliographic Notes: Includes 3 books - Report, Volume I: Appendices, and Volume II: Battle Summaries

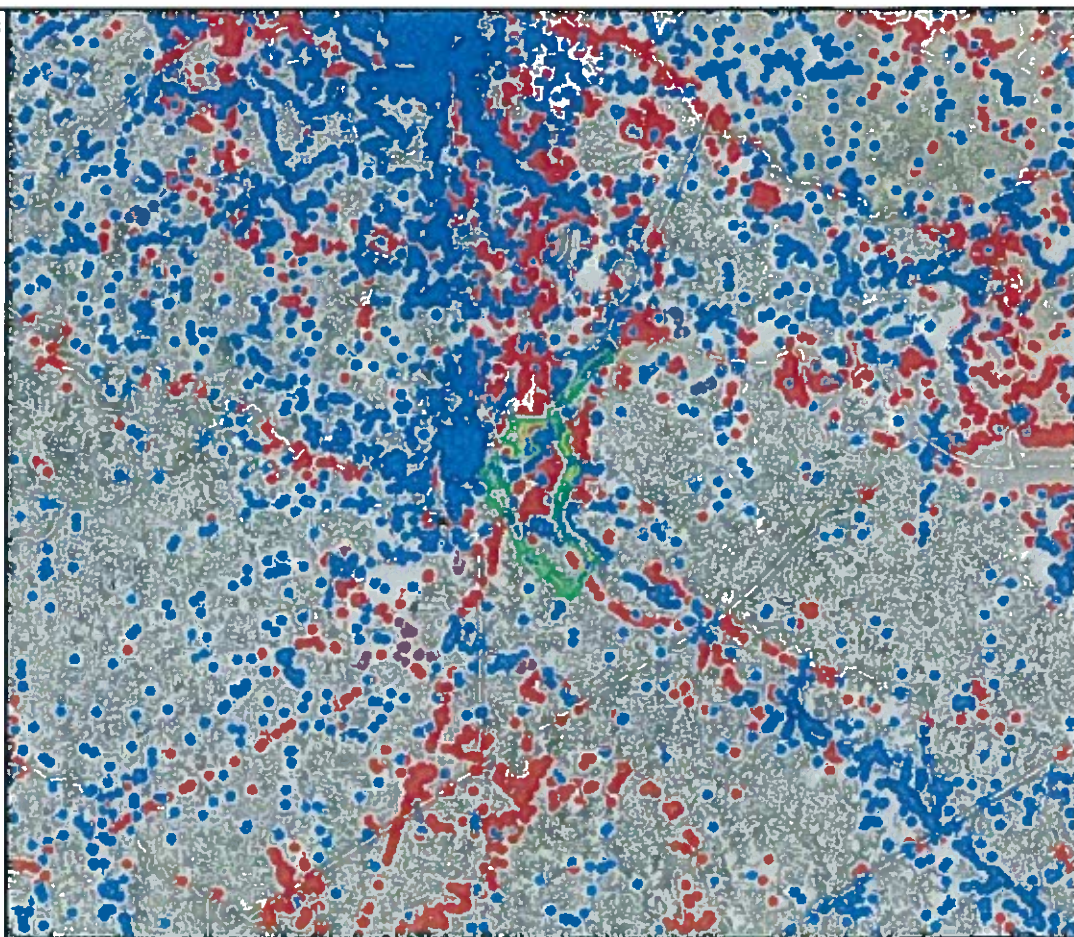
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