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OBJECTIVES AND METHODS

The U.S. Army Environmental Center (AEC) tasked the Mandatory Center of Expertise for the Curation and Management of Archaeological Collections (MCX) with the job of assisting Army installation personnel in complying with the requirements of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (P.L. 101-601, NAGPRA). The MCX was asked to locate and assess archaeological collections derived from Army-owned lands, to identify the federally recognized Native American tribes most likely culturally affiliated with the collections, to draft Section 6 Summary letters for each installation, and to conduct physical inventories of any collections that contain human skeletal remains. This report conveys the results of the collections research completed to assist Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity (VHCESA) in complying with the Section 6 Summary requirements of NAGPRA.

The MCX used a two-stage process to identify, locate, and assess the contents of archaeological collections from the installation. First, archival research was performed to review all archaeological site records and reports for the installation. Second, telephone interviews were conducted with personnel at installations, universities, museums, and archaeological contractors that were identified during the archival research as possible repositories of Army collections. The MCX did not physically verify the existence of collections and, as such, the information contained in this report is based on background record reviews and information obtained via telephone interviews with the aforementioned installation personnel and institution professionals.

Archival research for Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity began with a search of the National Archeological Data Base (NADB) for references pertaining to the installation. This was followed by a thorough examination of all archaeological site forms and a literature review of all pertinent archaeological reports and manuscripts on file at the Virginia Department of Historical Resources, in Richmond, Virginia. The records search was performed in June 1995 and sought to identify any work on the installation that may have produced archaeological collections.

Subsequent telephone interviews to potential collections repositories ascertained whether the materials were present and the range of objects in each collection. Once the collections were located and assessed, MCX personnel identified federally recognized Native American tribes that are likely to be culturally affiliated with the materials in the collections.
RESEARCH RESULTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS AT VINT HILL COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SUPPORT ACTIVITY

Three investigating organizations have conducted archaeological work on Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity (VHCESA) beginning in 1987. These investigating organizations are:

New South Associates, Stone Mountain, Georgia
Virginia Research Center for Archaeology, Richmond, Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth University,
Archaeological Research Center, Richmond, Virginia, and

Each of these investigations is believed to have produced collections. Overall, investigations consisted of surface surveys, and systematic excavations.

SUMMARY OF ARCHAELOGICAL COLLECTIONS

Totals of approximately 3 ft³ of artifact material and less than one linear foot of associated documentation have been reportedly identified for Vint Hill. Only artifacts from the prehistoric archaeological period have been identified and these include stone tools, stone flaking debris, and fire cracked rock. No human remains were reported to have been recovered during these archaeological investigations, and none are contained in archaeological collections from the installation. As of the date of this report, the collections are believed to be located in the following three repositories:

New South Associates, Stone Mountain, Georgia ~ 1 ft³ of artifacts and < 0.25 linear feet of documentation
Virginia Commonwealth University Archaeological Research Center, Richmond, Virginia ~ 1 ft³ and < 1 linear ft of documentation
Virginia Department of Historic Resources, Richmond, Virginia < 1 ft³ of artifacts
The materials curated by the Virginia Commonwealth University Archaeological Research Center were collected from three archaeological sites on VHCESA. These materials have not been given accession numbers, but, rather, have been identified in the repository by Virginia site number. The collection contains prehistoric materials including stone tools, stone flaking debris, and fire cracked rock.

The Virginia Department of Historic Resources collection has not been given accession numbers, but are identified in the repository by county and site number within the county. The collection materials include chipped stone artifacts only. No documentation is believed to accompany the collection in the repository.

New South Associates, Stone Mountain, Georgia, houses approximately one box of material from VHCESA. These materials have not been accessioned, but are identified by site number and by shovel test number within the site. Artifacts contained in the collection date entirely from the prehistoric time period, and materials include stone tools, fragments, and stone tool manufacturing debris. Less than one linear inch of documentation, including maps, photographs, field notes, and artifact analysis sheets, are included with the artifact collection.

The attached Summary of Current Locations of Archaeological Collections from Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity (Appendix I) provides detailed information about each collection derived as a result of archaeological investigations at the installation. A collection consists of all of the materials, artifacts and associated documentation (e.g., field notes, maps, photos, data analyses, correspondence), produced as a result of an archaeological investigation or project at a single site or multiple sites. In some cases, the same archaeological site may have been investigated by various individuals or organizations. Depending on where the resulting collections are curated, they may be stored and identified as separate collections or separate components of a single collection. In cases where the artifacts and records have become separated, we list the records collections repository as well. Every attempt has been made to locate all collections cited on available archaeological site records or in published and unpublished references to archaeological investigations on the installation.

NAGPRA-Related Items

No human skeletal remains, associated or unassociated funerary objects, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony were identified during the research of archaeological collections from Vint Hill Communications and Electronic Support Activity.

The final determination of any sacred objects or objects of cultural patrimony among the Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity collections may be established upon further consultation with culturally affiliated Native American tribes according to the definitions and restrictions specified in NAGPRA.
REFERENCES TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

One list of references regarding archaeological work conducted on Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity is attached. Appendix II contains the list of references reviewed by the MCR during its archival research. No references to Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity are contained in the National Archeological Data Base (NADB).

NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES ASSOCIATED WITH VINT HILL COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SUPPORT ACTIVITY

The cultural affiliation for the artifacts collected from Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity was not stated in the reports or site files, however there is ethnographic and archaeological evidence of prehistoric and historic Native American occupation of the area.

Vint Hill Communications and Electronics Support Activity is located in Farquier County. There appears to be no clear record of the aboriginal populations that inhabited the area during the early colonial period, but Sams (1916:370) indicates that the Taunent were reported by early historians to inhabit present-day Farquier County. McCary, on the other hand, believes that the Taunent lived along the Potomac River, in Fairfax County, which lies to the northeast of present-day Vint Hill (McCary 1957:7).

According to some historians, the tribal name Doeg is believed to be a synonym for Taunent (Feest 1978:269, MacCord 1958), with Doeg having been used by later historians to refer to the inhabitants of Taunent village (MacCord 1958). MacCord (1958) states that Virginia records make no mention of the Doeg tribe after the Bacon Rebellion, 1676, and the tribe's status beyond that year is unclear. MacCord suggests that the Doeg are likely to have been absorbed into the Patawomepecke tribe, whose village existed until about 1700, or they may have crossed into Maryland to join their Doeg kinsmen in that colony (MacCord 1958).

At present, no federally recognized tribes are associated with the prehistoric or historic groups that occupied Virginia (Department of the Interior 1995), and no aboriginal land claims have been adjudicated within the state (U.S.G.S. n.d.).
SECTION 6 COMPLIANCE

P.L. 101-601 (NAGPRA) requires that federal agencies engage in active consultation with Native Americans of federally recognized tribes and/or lineal descendants who may be culturally affiliated with the archaeological collections from the installation. Currently, however, no federally recognized tribes are descendant from the tribes that occupied Virginia prehistorically or historically. No tribe has been adjudicated land in the state of Virginia (U.S.G.S. n.d.).

No human remains and/or funerary objects were identified among the collections from Fort Lee, therefore no Section 5 Inventory will be required. Should any Native American human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony be intentionally excavated or inadvertently discovered in the future, the installation must comply with Section 3 of NAGPRA.

Initial consultation should be conducted on a government-to-government basis. Refer to P.L. 101-601 (NAGPRA) and 43 CFR 10 (Implementing Regulations) for specifics on required Native American consultation and the legal definitions of items subject to NAGPRA.
REFERENCES CITED

Bureau of Indian Affairs
1995 Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From The United States Bureau of Indian Affairs. Prepared by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.

Feest, Christian F.

MacCord, Howard A.

McCary, Ben M.

Sams, Conway W.

U.S.G.S.
APPENDIX I

SUMMARY OF CURRENT LOCATIONS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS FROM VINT HILL COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SUPPORT ACTIVITY, VIRGINIA

All collections information has been entered into a Paradox data base file and can be queried by any of the fields listed below, as well as by the name of the installation and by MACOM. The data base will be delivered by the MCX to the U.S. Army Environmental Center upon completion of the U.S. Army NAGPRA Compliance Project. Inquiries for additional information are welcome (MCX: 314-331-8865; U.S. Army Environmental Center NAGPRA Compliance Project: 410-671-1573). The data fields listed in the summary of collections contain the following information:

REPOSITORY: The current location in which the collection is stored, as of the date of this report.

REPOSITORY POC: The person contacted by the MCX, or the person to whom inquiries regarding the collection should be addressed.

TELEPHONE: The telephone number for the repository POC.

COLLECTION ID: The identifying unit used by the repository to store and/or locate the collection. This can be a unique accession number assigned by the repository, the archaeological site number or project name, the name of the collector of the collection, or another number or name assigned by the repository.

SITE NUMBERS: The official site number or name only for those sites from which materials were collected. An investigator may have performed work at additional sites but did not collect any materials. Those site numbers are not included in this field.

FIELDWORK DATES: The date(s) during which the investigation(s) occurred. This information is provided to differentiate between projects that may have investigated the same site repeatedly.
EXCAVATOR/COLLECTOR: The individual and/or organization that conducted the investigation.

COLLECTION SIZE: The volume or number of objects in a collection, estimated by the repository POC or from project reports.

DESCRIPTION OF MATERIALS: General material classes of the objects in the collection derived from data provided on site records, in references, and/or by the Repository POC.

ANTIQUITY/ARCH. PERIOD: Chronological or cultural-historical designations recorded on site records or in references specific to the collection.

CULTURAL AFFILIATION: This column contains only those ethnic identifications found in the site records or references specific to the collection. This field is left blank if no such information was recorded.

BASIS OF DETERMINATION: Documents the source of the cultural affiliation information (e.g., site record, oral testimony, reference).

SECTION 5 MATERIALS: Describes the number and kind of human skeletal remains and associated funerary objects in the collection, as indicated by the site records, references, repository management documents, or information from repository POC. If these materials are present or are suspected to be present, NAGPRA Section 5 requires a physical inventory of the materials.
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APPENDIX II

MCX LIST OF REFERENCES

In addition to the references reviewed by MCX personnel at the archaeological site information center, every attempt was made to obtain references cited but not on file. Information taken from these references was coded for data relating to collections made from sites located on installation property (see attached sample of PD-C Bibliographic Data Sheet form) and entered into a data base for ease of manipulation.

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Fieldwork Dates:

Type of Investigation (e.g., survey, testing, mitigation):

CELMS Form 810  Previous Editions of This Form Obsolete  CELMS-PD-C
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Site Numbers:

Archaeological Period (e.g., Hohokam, Mississippian):

Material Classes (range):

Artifact Collections and Locations:

Approximate Size of Collections (e.g., number of objects):

Record Collections and Locations:

NAGPRA Materials (Check if present)

Human Skeletal Remains

Objects

Associated Funerary

Unassociated Funerary

Sacred

Cultural Patrimony

Cultural Affiliation(s):

Basis for Affiliation Determination (e.g., geographic location, burial practices):

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