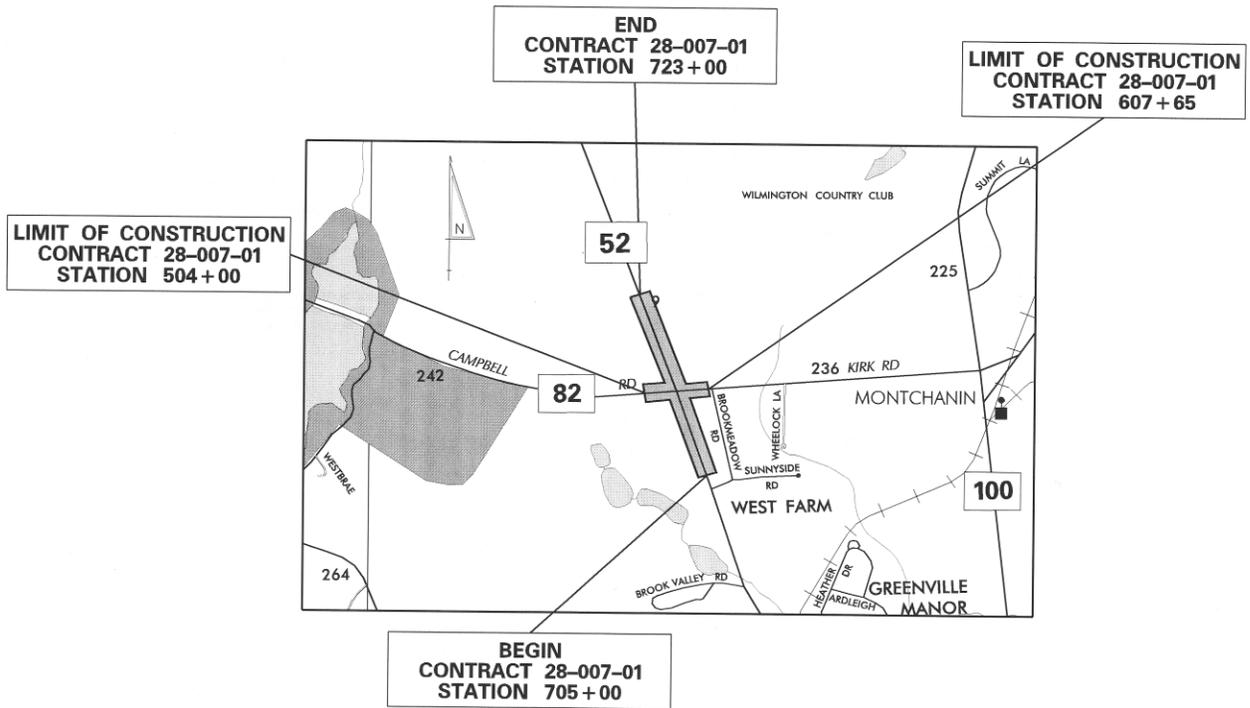


National Register Eligibility Status and Evaluation for Properties at the Intersection of Kennett Pike (SR 52) and Campbell and Kirk Roads (SR 82)

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Abstract

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) is proposing to make improvements to Kennett Pike (SR 52) at the intersection with Campbell and Kirk Roads (SR 82). This project requires milling, overlaying and restriping the northbound and southbound SR 52 approaches to the SR 82/Campbell Road/Kirk Road intersection to provide a left-turn lane, a through lane, a right turn lane, and the addition of dedicated bike lanes. This will require reconstructing the SR 52 shoulders and SR 82/Campbell Road/Kirk Road pavement edge. In order to better manage the drainage in the area curb and gutter will be placed along SR 52 and a ditch will be placed along the North side of Kirk Road.

The goal of the project is to enhance the safety of the intersection for bicycles and motor vehicles. This intersection was placed in the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) due to the high rate of accidents as compared to other sites throughout the State. Over a four-year study period January 2004 - September 2008 a total of 73 accidents were reported.

This National Register eligibility evaluation document was prepared as part of a Section 106 undertaking with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as the lead federal agency.

As part of project development compliance, DelDOT will complete a Categorical Exclusion for the project. In accordance with Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Categorical Exclusion should document the anticipated or expected impacts of the proposed project construction on historic architectural resources and archaeology, as well as any other factors deemed appropriate.

This report provides a historical narrative of the project area as well as for each resource. The report lists applicable historic contexts and property types found in the Area of Potential Effects. Based on the eligibility criteria developed for each of the property types, the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) criteria for evaluation is applied for each historic resource identified. The conclusion of each property/resource write-up features an assessment of NRHP eligibility based on the significance and integrity of the resource. The criteria used to establish the defining characteristics of the property type are also used to justify the eligibility recommendation.

Environmental Studies cultural resource staff, on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) identified 13 resources on eight properties meeting the 50-year minimum age requirement. None of these properties has been specifically evaluated for National Register eligibility in the past. However, in 1991 the West Farm subdivision and the tax parcel on which White Village is situated were determined to be non-contributing elements to the proposed Winterthur Farms National Register District expansion to the existing Winterthur National Register District DelDOT. At that time, no background research or explanation accompanied these assessments.

Based on this project's undertaking to affect historic properties, the Area of Potential Effect was composed of surrounding properties that could be directly impacted. These eight tax parcels comprise 20.01+/- acres and contain 13 resources evaluated for their significance and integrity in consideration for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Additional nearby properties

met the 50-year minimum age background screening, but were determined to be located outside the area of potential effect and were not included in this report or assessed for National Register eligibility.

Qualified DelDOT staff surveyed and completed new Cultural Resource Survey forms for 11 resources and their associated outbuildings within the APE that were constructed and/or altered prior to 1962. Update forms were also provided for two resources within the APE: “Lyndham” the Evelina du Pont House (N-533) and the tenant house on the property (N-534).

As a result of this study, the Evelina du Pont House (N-533) and White Village are recommended eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

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