

METHODS

The purpose of this architectural investigation was to examine buildings and structures of potential architectural significance that could potentially be affected by proposed relocation of portions of Route 7. The investigation was carried out through implementation of these steps:

1. Preliminary data collection, through examination of historic maps, U.S.G.S. maps, previous surveys, published historical works, and files of the Delaware Bureau of Archaeology and Historic Preservation.
2. Intensive field survey during which four properties were recorded on field inventory forms designed to collect basic physical data about each structure.
3. Site-specific historical research, focusing primarily on potentially significant properties, to obtain additional information about their history. Deeds, wills, inventories and tax lists were the principal sources consulted.
4. Assembly of site-specific data on location, physical characteristics, and historical associations; preliminary evaluations of significance.
5. Review of survey data with DelDOT, FHWA and the Bureau of Archaeology and Historic Preservation.
6. Preparation of Determination of Eligibility forms, updated BAHP Cultural Resource Survey forms, and a report summarizing the findings of the architectural investigation.