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ABSTRACT

In February, 1986, an architectural survey and assessment was conducted along that portion of State Route 7 (also known as Limestone Road) lying between Milltown and the Pennsylvania State line, in Mill Creek Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware. The work was undertaken by the Cultural Resource Group of Louis Berger & Associates, Inc. for the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDot), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The purpose of the survey was to provide information for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (BAHP). A program of documentary research and field investigation was employed to inventory sixteen properties on Limestone Road ranging in date from the late 18th to early 20th centuries, most of which were once associated with agricultural activities. In consultation with the BAHP, DelDot and FHWA, six properties were evaluated as meeting the standards of integrity and architectural importance necessary for eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. Of these, one (the Springer-Yeatman Farmstead) was nominated to the National Register as part of a thematic group nomination for farmsteads in Mill Creek Hundred prepared by the New Castle County Planning Office and submitted to BAHP prior to completion of this report. In addition, the Mermaid Tavern was listed in the National Register in 1973 and Harmony School has been determined eligible on grounds of historical associations.

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