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Sent: Friday, July 13, 2007 11:41 AM
To: Kuntz, Chris (KYTC-D01); Hixon, James (KYTC)
Subject: RE: Update, and Request for electronic versions of highway plans, Items 1-118 and 1-115

Chris and James:

So. I will report the Judge's site to the OSA and fill out the form. I will include a synopsis of the site in the report as background, not as part of survey results. Will discuss it as an area to avoid as part of recommendations.

We have an older version of AutoCADD. I will see if there is a new version that we can acquire through the UK license. I'll keep you posted on what we can get and what we will need from you. It would be good for us to have a newer version, as it comes in handy for a variety of projects.

As far as translating them to DWG files, there should be only two sheets, so the time should not be too much of a burden. (That statement probably shows my ignorance about the translation process and reminds me how easy it is for someone who isn't doing the work to say "should't be a problem".)

Steve

"Kuntz, Chris (KYTC-D01)" <Chris.Kuntz@ky.gov> wrote:

Some newer versions of AutoCadd will allow you to import a .dgn file type. Otherwise we will have to go into each file and export as a .dwg.

I agree to include the areas off ROW on the report for documentation purposes.

Chris

From: Hixon, James (KYTC)
Sent: Fri 7/13/2007 10:48 AM
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As for including the site information from the Judges property site, go ahead and discuss it in the back ground. You might also want to include the location in your mapping as an area to avoid. Beyond that, since it is not in our proposed ROW, it is not relative. Now if Chris wants it in the documentation for legal purposes, to stay one step ahead, I don't have a problem with it. Treat as any normal site within our ROW.

Glad the Mounds were not...

Mapping, that would be Chris's department.

James

From: Steven Ahler [mailto:srahler1952@yahoo.com]

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Chris and James:

We finished the survey of the 1-118 project, along with the western end of the southern alternate of 1-115. We found very little, just slightly more than nothing. One prehistoric site or isolated find was found within the ROW (3 flakes only), and a historic isolated find was found. We may have a prehistoric isolated find within the ROW as well, but I need to make sure the item is cultural. Finally, we found an Early Archaic point outside the ROW while walking to/from the project area. The crew looked around in the field road but nothing else was nearby.

The large Archaic-Woodland site that is on the Judge Jimmy Robinson property is not within the ROW alignment that we examined. Photos were taken of some of the diagnostic artifacts found at this location, but we did not do any testing or collection ourselves. We will report it as a site as a courtesy to the Judge. **Let me know if you want it included in the report.**

Finally, the exploration of the two bumps on the landscape was not productive as far as cultural material goes. There were no artifacts found, and only a small amount of charcoal near the top of one. These are not prehistoric human-made mounds. They are probably erosional remnants of Pleistocene-age Roxsana silt that once covered this landscape. An alternative based on associated landscape features is that they are remnants of land-clearing or ditch-cleaning activities. It was good to look at them and make a definitive determination. Time well spent.

As for the map request, it would be very handy for us to have electronic versions of the highway plans. Just those two sheets that you gave us as hard copies is all we need. (Item 1-118 and the westernmost segment of Item 1-115). However, UK-PAR does not have Microstation, so we can't read your usual platform. If possible, could you export these plans in AutoCADD version 14, we do have that program and we should be able to read it. If we have these plans electronically, we can produce better-looking and more accurate figures for the report. We may also be able to import later versions of AutoCADD files into ArcGIS, which we have. Please advise me on the availability of electronic versions of these plan sheets. In the mean time, Bruce Manzano will start on the report.

Thanks for this opportunity. Email or call me (859-257-1944) if you have questions.

Steve Ahler
UK-PAR

PS. Bruce Manzano does not yet have email set up.

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