Appendix L: New Jersey State Museum Archaeological Site Registration Form



NEW JERSEY STATE MUSEUM ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE REGISTRATION PROGRAM BUREAU OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY P.O. BOX 530, TRENTON, N.J. 08625-0530 Phone (609) 292-8594; Fax (609) 292-7636

Site Name: Dunham House Site

SITE #: 28-Mi-220

☑ Check this box if you prefer to have this site information restricted to professional archaeologists, academics and environmental researchers conducting project background research. If so, this form will be considered donated information according to New Jersey State Law.

NJ State Atlas Coordinates:

USGS 7.5 Minute Series Quad.: Perth Amboy, NJ

State Plane Coordinates (required):

UTM Coordinates (required): Zone N18 561586.72E, 4490649.45N

County: Middlesex Township: Woodbridge

Location (descriptive): Located on the north end of Block 587, Lot 1. Site encompasses the patterned brick Dunham House and extends to the west to Rahway Avenue and is located north of the entrance drive to the property.

Period of Site: ca. 1709- present and indeterminate prehistoric Native American

Cultural Affiliation(s) (if known): European-American and Prehistoric Native American

Owner's (Tenant's) Name: Trinity Episcopal Church

Address 650 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Phone: 732-985-5552

Attitude Toward Preservation: Positive. No threat of destruction

Surface Features: Located on the Trinity Episcopal Church parcel and next to/encompasses the

patterned brick Dunham House

Prominent Landmarks: Dunham House is located within the site.

Vegetation Cover: Manicured Lawn

Nearest Water Source: Meeting House Brook Distance: 200 feet to the north

Soil Type: Boonton-Urban Land (BouB) Erosion: None

Stratified (if known): Yes

Threat of Destruction (if known): None

Previous Work and References (list below):

Name Date Reference (n/a if unpublished)

1. Archaeological Society 2020 Archaeological Study of the Dunham House, Block 587, Lot 1, Woodbridge Township,

of New Jersey Middlesex County, New Jersey.

2.

Collections:

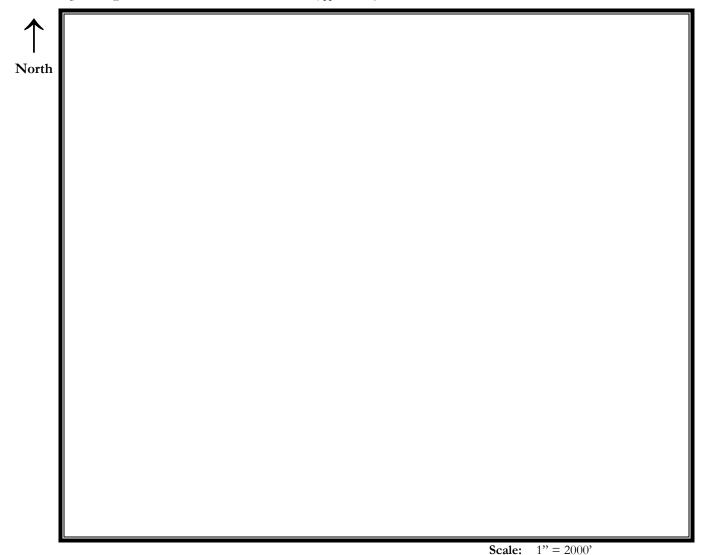
Name Date Collection Stored Previous Designation

.. Archaeological Society 2020 Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission, East of New Jersey Olde Towne Village, 1050 River Road, Piscataway, NJ

08854 Phone number 732-745-3030.

Sketch Map of the Site:

Indicate the chief topological features, such as streams, swamps, shorelines, and elevations (approximate). Also show buildings and roads. Indicate the site location by enclosing the site area with a dotted line. Use a scale (approximate) to indicate distance and dimensions.



Observations, Remarks, or Recommendations:

The site was identified by Monmouth University in 2002 and was further investigated by the Archaeological Society of New Jersey (ASNJ) in 2019 as part of a research study. The area studied encompasses the 1709 Dunham family patterned brick house and extends to the west to Rahway Avenue. In total, 28 shovel tests and five 3-foot square units were dug by Monmouth University in 2002 and 21 shovel tests and three units (two measuring 5 feet square and one measuring 4-foot by 5-foot) were dug by the ASNJ in 2019. One Midden feature was found north of the house; two layers of a cobblestone oval drive were identified west of the house, a dry laid stone foundation for a rear addition was found, and a deeply buried mortared stone foundation for an outbuilding was identified. Prehistoric artifacts consist of two chert flakes, one of which was found in the subsoil. In total, 1,146 historic artifacts were found during the 2002 study and 6,007 historic artifacts were found in 2019. Intact deposits were identified in select areas, but extensive artifact mixing occurred as a result of the construction of the 1871 rear addition, as well as rodent burrowing activities.

Recorder's Name (Company): Michael J. Gall, Archaeological Society of New Jersey

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Date Recorder at Site: September 28-29, 2019 Revised 2007

