

Route 55 Thoroughfare Historic Documentation Prince William County, Virginia



Description

Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc. (FHI) conducted an architectural survey to determine the potential National Register-eligibility of a grouping of structures along a segment of Route 55 in Thoroughfare, Prince William County, Virginia for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). The thoroughfare was founded by freed-blacks at the end of the Civil War.

Thirteen resources, located on nine properties, were recorded during the architectural survey, including: five dwellings; one cemetery; one former railroad depot; one small dwelling with a spring house and a pump house; and one store. Survey methods included background research conducted before and after the field survey. Information gleaned from background research along with details recorded in the field and interviews of former residents were analyzed, evaluated and entered onto the Draft Virginia Department of Historic Resources' (VDHR) intensive survey field forms.

The work was being performed in anticipation of road widening and reconstruction of a railroad crossing.

Client

Virginia Department of Transportation

