

Archaeological Resources and District of Columbia Undertakings

Any District undertaking which involves ground disturbance has the potential to affect significant archaeological resources. Like historic buildings and districts, archaeological sites are considered “historic properties” and are protected by the DC Historic Landmark and Historic District Protection Act. DC agencies should consider the potential for archaeological resources as early as possible in project planning and are encouraged to consult with the SHPO to determine whether known resources may exist or if additional archaeological survey work will be required as part of the historic preservation review process.