

Cultural Resources Plan

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Beverley Mill [76-2] (NR, HABS [VA-282], VHL)

Map #7

Location: John Marshall Highway, Thoroughfare Gap

Ownership: Private Acres: 4.6

Built in the mid-1770s, this imposing stone building adjacent to Interstate 66 served as a mill for the surrounding region. During its history, Beverley, or Chapman's Mill, also provided essential food products during five wars--including the French and Indian War, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Mexican War and the Civil War.

Primary Uses: *Residential (1 du/5-10 ac.); **Retail-Historic use of historic structure (e.g., restaurant; gift shops); Parks; ***Historic/Cultural (e.g., mill museum).

Analogous Land Use Classification: See comment below.

Surrounding Land Use Classifications: RR

Comment: Despite Beverley Mill's proximity to Interstate 66, access is somewhat limited. Although desirable, using the structure as a residence would probably be impractical. **Retail-Historic uses of the mill that promote the structure's history and maintain its setting or historical/cultural uses are practical and should be encouraged.

Brentsville Courthouse and Jail [76-21 and 76-231] (NR, VHL)

Map #19

Location: Bristoe Road, Brentsville

Ownership: County Acres: 3.0

Brentsville Courthouse was Prince William County's fourth courthouse. The courthouse and jail were built in the early 1820s and retained their functions until the County seat was moved to Manassas in the early 1890s.

Primary Uses: ***Historical/Cultural (e.g., museum, community center); Parks; **Retail-Historic use of historic structures (e.g., reception hall)

Analogous Land Use Classification: Park and Open Space; Also see Brentsville Historic District comments.

Surrounding Land Use Classifications: AE, P/OS

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Bel Air [76-1] (PE, NR, HABS [VA-99], VHL)

Map #31

Location: Saratoga Lane, Woodbridge

Ownership: Private

Acres: approximately 22

Believed to have been built in 1740 on the basement of an earlier house, or perhaps the wall of a fort, Bel Air is a brick, 1-1/2-story structure. Captain Charles Ewell probably built the house. His granddaughter, Frances, married Mason Locke Weems, the first biographer of George Washington, and moved into Bel Air about 1809.

Primary Uses: *Residential (1 house [Bel Air] per about 22 acres); See comment below.

Analogous Land Use Classification: None

Surrounding Land Use Classifications: SRL

Comment: An easement restricts uses and development on this property.

Ben Lomond [76-4] (NR, HABS [VA-836], VHL)

Map #9

Location: Sudley Manor Drive, Manassas

Ownership: County

Acres: 4.5

This manor house was built in 1837 by Benjamin Tasker Chinn, grandson of Robert "King" Carter. Ben Lomond also served as a hospital during the Civil War; soldiers' last wills and testaments can still be seen on the wall.

Primary Uses: ***Historical/Cultural (e.g., museum); **Retail-Historic use of structure(s)(e.g., restaurant, bed-and-breakfast); Parks

Analogous Land Use Classification: Parks/Open Space

Surrounding Land Use Classifications: SRL, SRH