

**VIRGINIANA FILE**

*PWC - Historic Sites*

*GRAYSON'S HILL*

FARCEL: 141

Fairfax County Archeological Survey

Prince William Public Library  
Manassas, Va.

Preliminary Site Report (Site C)

Site Name: "Battery Hill"

Site Number: 44 ~~3~~ PW

Map Reference: (USGS, Fairfax County)

Quantico QUAD: U.T.M. zone 18, Easting 297725, Northing 4272000

Pr. William Fairfax/Quad 11N, VA. Grid zone North, Easting 2336250, Northing 297725

Type of Site:

1. time period- mid-nineteenth century
2. function- fortification
3. importance- evidence of military activity at Dumfries during Civil War

Owner/address:

Prince William County

Tenant/address:

N/A

Informant/address:

Donald Wilson  
14810 Haymarket Lane  
Centreville, Va.  
22020

Attitude toward investigation: presumably favorable

Remarks:

1. condition of site- undisturbed except for water tank placed close by. Heavily pot-hunted.

2. observations-

Architectural: Well-preserved earthworks.

Artifactual: Numerous Civil War period artifacts reported, mostly Confederate.

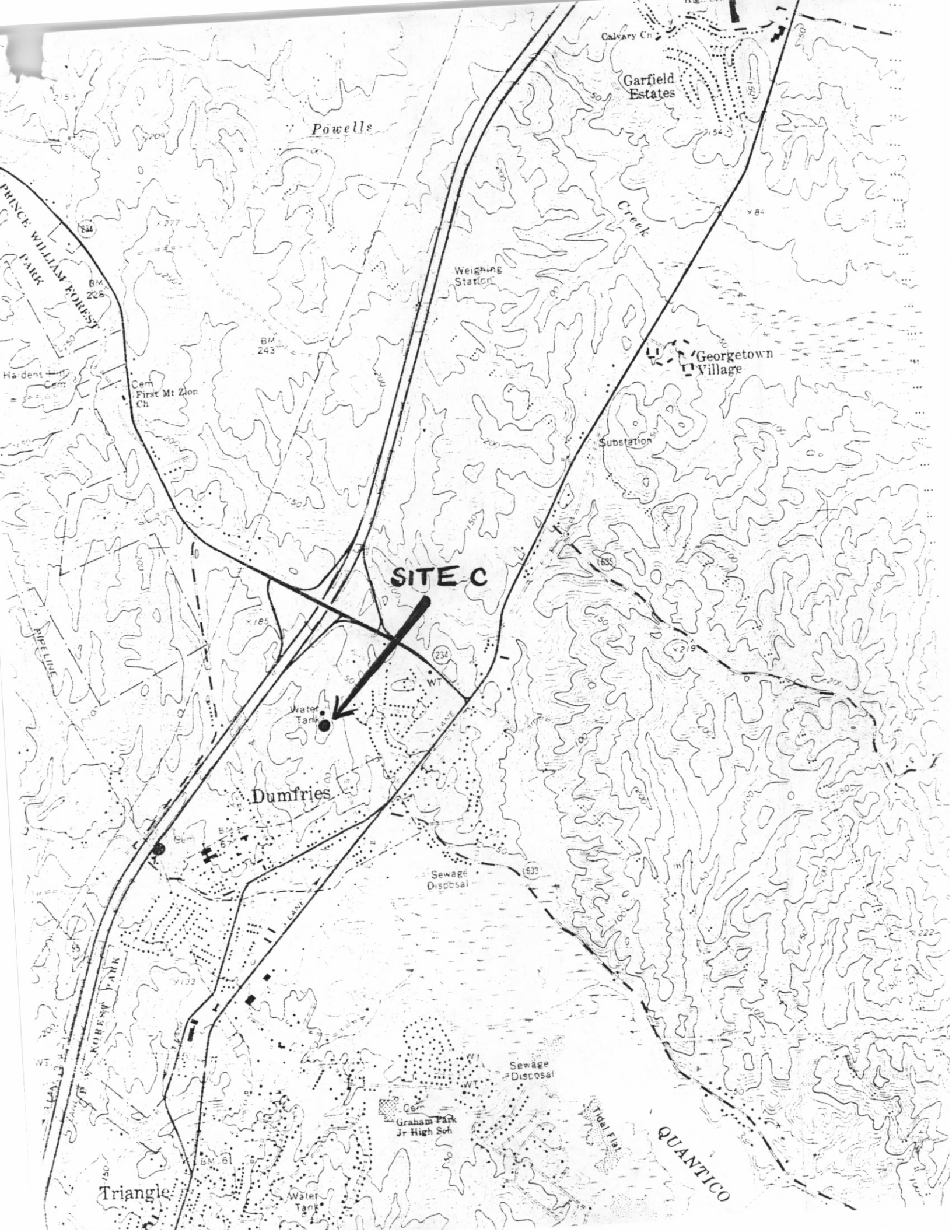
Documentary: Chain of title has been traced to 1853 when tract was owned owned by Phineas Mundy. No improvements shown then. Local histories report this to be site of Civil War fort, presumably part of Confederate batteries emplaced to blockade the Potomac River approaches to Washington.

Reporter:

Donald L. Wilson

Date:

July 15, 1983



Powells

Garfield Estates

Georgetown Village

SITE C

Dumfries

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Disposal

Sewage  
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Tidal Flat



VIRGINIANA FILE

PARCEL: 141A

PWC - Historic Sites

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Manassas, Va.

Grayson's Hill

Preliminary Site Report (Site B)

Site Name: "Grayson's Hill fortification"

Site Number: 44 PW

Map Reference: (USGS, Fairfax County)

Quantico QUAD: U.T.M. zone 18, Easting 297550, Northing 4271700

Pr. Wm. Fairfax/Quad 11S, VA: Grid zone North, Easting 2335810, Northing 331725

Type of Site:

- 1. time period- 1865 or earlier (possibly Revolutionary War)
- 2. function- military fortification
- 3. importance- evidence of military activity in Prince William Co.

Owner/address:

Robert Davis  
Northgate  
Woodbridge, Va.

Tenant/address:

N/A

Informant/address:

Donald Wilson  
14810 Haymarket Lane  
Centreville, Va.  
22020

Attitude toward investigation: reported to be favorable

Remarks:

1. condition of site- at edge of area being cleared for housing development. Has been heavily relic-hunted.

2. observations-

Artifactual: collector has found a flat brass button here, possibly from Revolutionary War period. Civil War artifacts have been found in large quantities around this site.

Architectural: circular earthworks at west edge of Grayson's Hill.

Documentary: chain of title complete to 1786, when it was owned by William Grayson. Local histories mention military occupation of hills above Dumfries in Revolution and Civil War.

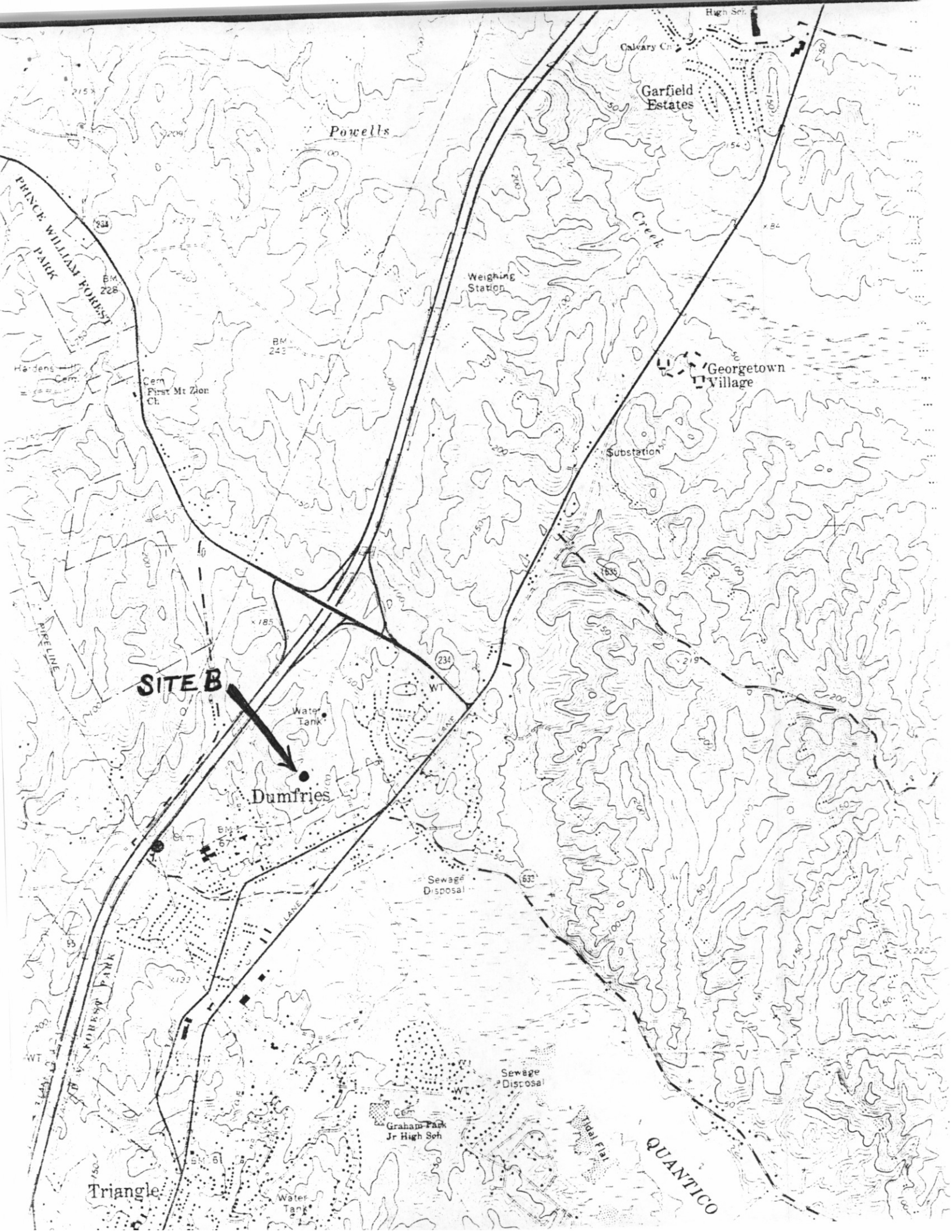
Reporter:

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Date:

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**SITE B**

Dumfries

Garfield Estates

Georgetown Village

Substation

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Sewage Disposal

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Triangle

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KEY

- A: Grayson's Hill house site #1
- B: Grayson's Hill fortification
- C: "Battery Hill"
- D: Grayson's Hill house site #2
- E: Grayson's Hill gun emplacement
- F: Grayson's spring

