

Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

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Site No. 0303 Status U Revisit
Quadrangle Name: Chester
Tax Map No. 079-00-00-010-000

SURVEY FORM

Identification

Historic Name: William McCandless gravesite
Common Name: William McCandless gravesite
Address/Location: North side of SC 72 (Saluda Rd), approximately 1,800 feet northeast of McCandless Rd intersection
City: Chester ✓ Vicinity of County: Chester
Ownership: Private Category: Site Other:
Historical Use: Funerary
Current Use: Funerary
SHPO National Register Determination of Eligibility: Not Eligible

Property Description

Construction Date: c. 1881 Construction: Other:
Historic Core Shape: Rectangular Exterior Walls:
Other: Foundation:
Commercial Form: Roof Shape:
Other: Roof Material:
Stories: Porch Shape:
Other: Porch Width:

Description/Significant Features:

The area containing McCandless' burial is located on a small rise with no surface indications of a grave. It is situated just north of the road cut for SC 72 approximately 1,800 feet northeast of McCandless Rd intersection.

Alterations (include date(s), if known):

A GPR was used to locate the grave in December 2018. In January of 2019 the topsoil of the grave was removed to expose the outline of the burial and to map the exact location of the burial so that road plans could be made to avoid the burial. The topsoil was then replaced back over the grave.

Architect(s)/Builder(s):

Historical Information

Historical Information:

The location of the grave was based on long-standing family tradition. There was never a marker, but at one time there were a few white stones [probably quartz rocks] clustered in the vicinity. A large cedar tree and some cactus [prickly pear?] plants were also present at the location and a wire enclosure may have been present [no trace of a wire enclosure was found during the subsequent investigation but prickly pear plants were noted near the grave location and numerous cedar roots were uncovered during backhoe testing at the location]. Both Ms. Housman and Ms. Culp thought that only a single grave was present. The grave is also recorded as archaeological site 38CS420

Source(s) of Information:

Martin, Tracy and Bill Jurgelski - 2020 Cultural Resources Survey for SC 72 (Saluda Road) and S-329 (McCandless Road) Intersection Improvement, Chester County, South Carolina (Second Addendum - Additional Research)

Digital Photo ID(s)

File Name:	View:	Other:
00303001	Facing Northeast	cleared of vegetation
00303002	Facing Southeast	exposed burial outline
00303003	Facing Northeast	exposed burial outline
00303004	Facing Southwest	recovered with dirt

Program Management

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SC Department of Transportation

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