

## Resources for Archaeology in Montgomery County, Maryland

Unfortunately, there is no book that deals exclusively with the archaeology of Montgomery County. The two readily available books putting the county in a larger cultural context are Richard J. Dent's Chesapeake Prehistory: Old Traditions, New Directions, published by Plenum Press in 1995, and Stephen R. Potter's Commoners, Tribute, and Chiefs, The Development of Algonquian Culture in the Potomac Valley, published by the University Press of Virginia in 1993.

However, the results of the nine-year archaeological and historical study of the C&O Canal National Historical Park are available on-line. To access this multi-volume research and other studies concerning archaeology, history, historic architecture, and many other cultural and natural resource projects go to [www.nps.gov/RESSNCR](http://www.nps.gov/RESSNCR). This will take you to the main page of Resource Stewardship and Science, Region 1 NCA (formerly NCR). From the main page select Cultural Resources, Archaeology, NCR Archaeology Reports and "Cohongorooto, The Potomac Above the Falls: Archaeological Identification and Evaluation Study of C&O Canal NHP, Rock Creek to Sandy Hook, Mile Markers 0 to 59, printed in 2005".

There are two volumes of "Cohongorooto" that the public has full access to but you need to gain Partner Access by creating a new account, password, and username. This system (IRMA) was created after I retired, so I have not used it. I hope it's user-friendly.

The three best known archaeological sites in Montgomery County are the Shepard Site, Hughes Site, and Winslow Site. All are Late Woodland Period villages (1000 to 1600 A.D.). They are discussed in the two volumes of "Cohongorooto".

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