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# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

## 1 NAME

HISTORIC 33-Cu-17 and 33-Cu-18  
 AND/OR COMMON *archaeological*  
 Terra Vista Prehistoric District

## 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER [REDACTED]  
 CITY, TOWN Independence  VICINITY OF [REDACTED]  
 STATE Ohio  COUNTY Cuyahoga CODE 035  
 NOT FOR PUBLICATION  
 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 23rd-Ronald M. Mottl

## 3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

## 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME E. D. Carey  
 STREET & NUMBER 7243 Canal Road  
 CITY, TOWN Independence  VICINITY OF [REDACTED] STATE Ohio

## 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Cuyahoga County Recorder's Office  
 New Administration Building  
 STREET & NUMBER 1219 Ontario  
 CITY, TOWN Cleveland STATE Ohio

## 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE The Archaeological Collections  
 DATE 1975ff  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Archaeology Lab, Cleveland Museum of Natural History  
 CITY, TOWN Cleveland STATE Ohio

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Terra Vista Prehistoric District is located [REDACTED]  
County. The sites contained within this district are [REDACTED]

The major topographic features include the gently rolling terrain created through the final glacial stages in northeast Ohio and the major river systems (Cuyahoga, Rocky, Chagrin) with the steep ravines. The major land use includes both parkland and farmland. Within the immediate area of the district, land use includes both agriculture and gravel removal operations.

Until recently, the area surrounding the Terra Vista Prehistoric District has not had a major amount of investigation toward the locating of prehistoric sites. Through the efforts of this office and Dr. David S. Brose (Case Western Reserve University) many prehistoric occupation areas have been located. The sites contained within this district were located by Dr. Brose during a survey for a proposal for the archaeological survey of the [REDACTED]. A recent survey of these sites support Dr. Brose's findings.

The Terra Vista #1 site is located [REDACTED]

The remaining portion of the site is about fifty (50) meters wide and one hundred (100) meters long. The site has been partially destroyed by the Terra Vista Gravel Company during the removal of gravels. The Terra Vista #1 site has produced both ceramics and lithics dating from the Late Whittlesey period (A.D. 1450-1600). There are no distinguishable features of the Late Whittlesey village above the general land surface. All materials of this village are buried below the plow zone. Any further destruction to the site would occur through continued plowing of the site area. However, it is not felt that further plowing will destroy anything that has not already been destroyed in the past. The land owner does not foresee plowing at a deeper depth than he has plowed for years. It is presently impossible to determine how the original village site appeared. No record was kept during the gravel operations in the area of the site. Although the remaining site area is under cultivation, there is a good potential that much of the village site material and information it could provide are buried below the plow zone.

The second site in this district (Terra Vista #2--33-Cu-18) is located [REDACTED]

The actual site area is about one hundred and fifty (150) meters wide (E-W) and fifty (50) meters long (N-S). Originally the site was larger, but was partially destroyed by recent gravel operations of the Terra Vista Gravel Company.

see continuation sheet #1

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1500B.C.-A.D. 1600

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Terra Vista Prehistoric District is part of a vast area in [redacted] that has only recently been recognized as containing much in the way of prehistoric occupation areas. Dr. Brose's efforts in the 1970's has shown that the area is rich in the remains of prehistoric cultures.

The Terra Vista Prehistoric District is significant for it represents three cultural time periods for which there does not seem to be any other representatives in the Cuyahoga River system. The Terra Vista #1 site (33-Cu-17) is the only known representation of the Late Whittlesey period in this area. Further investigation of this site may provide archaeologists with the data necessary to understand how prehistoric man in Ohio adapted themselves to the area just prior to the influence of Europeans. A study of historic Indian occupation sites would then provide the data necessary for interpreting the cultural changes that took place due to European contact.

The Terra Vista #2 site (33-Cu-18) is a multicomponent occupation area containing remains from both a Late Archaic campsite and an Early Late Woodland village. There are very few known Late Archaic sites in northeast Ohio, and only this one for the Cuyahoga River valley. The Early Late Woodland village is one of only a few known villages of this period in the Cuyahoga River valley. The proper investigation of this occupation area would provide a better understanding of the transition between the Archaic and Woodland periods. It would also provide the prehistorians with a better picture of the culture in existence during the first millennium A.D.

The prehistory of Ohio is contained in the remaining occupation sites that have managed to avoid being completely destroyed by our industrial civilization. It is of utmost importance to protect those sites which can still provide a picture of the past cultures. The Terra Vista Prehistoric District represents a very finite and constantly decreasing resource and is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places to help preserve a small portion of this resource, Ohio's Prehistory.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brose, David S. 1975. A PROPOSAL for Archaeological Survey of the Lower Tinkers Creek Region Cuyahoga County, Ohio submitted to Cleveland Metropolitan Park Board. (Manuscript on file at C.M.N.H.)

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY fifteen (15) acres

UTM REFERENCES

D-A [REDACTED]  
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

A-B [REDACTED]  
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B [REDACTED]

C-D [REDACTED]

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

[REDACTED]

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE David R. Bush, Regional Archaeologist

ORGANIZATION OHPO, Regional Office: Cleveland Museum of Natural History DATE November 12, 1975

STREET & NUMBER Wade Oval, University Circle TELEPHONE (216) 231-4600 Ext. 58

CITY OR TOWN Cleveland STATE Ohio

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

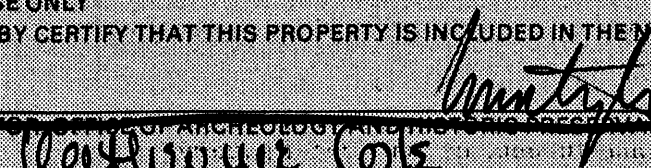
THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL  STATE  LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE 

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer DATE 9/21/77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER.	
DIRECTOR OF BUREAU OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION	KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
ATTEST: 	DATE <u>5-23-78</u>
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	DATE <u>5-12-78</u>

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Collected from the site's surface are ceramics, lithics, and bone evidently from both an Archaic occupation (1500-500 B.C.) and an Early Late Woodland village (A.D. 500-1000). It is said that the gravel operations uncovered several burials probably dating to the Late Archaic period. The portion of the Terra Vista #2 site not destroyed is used for agricultural purposes. Although there are no distinguishable features of either occupation above the general land surface, there is a good potential for portions of both perhistoric cultures to exist intact below the plow zone. It is impossible to estimate how large the original village was due to its being destroyed by the gravel operation. However, portions of both occupations remain and are worthy of nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.