

## FEDEX MONTGOMERY SUPPLEMENTAL PHASE IB

### SERVICES:

- Phase IB Archaeological Survey

### REGULATIONS:

- US Army Corps of Engineers Permit Review
- State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR)

### LOCATION:

Neelytown Road, Montgomery, NY

### CLIENT:

Langan Engineering, Environmental, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, D.P.C



### Project Summary

AHRS conducted a Phase IB Archaeological Survey in the location of a proposed new construction consisting of a 248,000 square foot distribution facility with roadways, parking lots and landscaped areas. The survey was required as part of the environmental assessment under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) and Army Corps of Engineers Permit Review.

### Scope of Work

A previous archaeological survey conducted concluded there was a moderate to high sensitivity for historic archaeological materials in the location of a former farmhouse and outbuilding locations within the area of proposed development. AHRS conducted subsurface archaeological testing to identify whether potentially significant archaeological resources were present.

### Outcome

AHRS excavated a total of 440 shovel test pits. A total of one potential prehistoric chert flake and 369 historical artifacts were recovered. Areas of soil disturbance, including the demolished farmhouse complex, were also identified and mapped.

Structures associated with the farmhouse complex –cellar foundations, two shaft features, and a milk barn – were fully recorded and thoroughly investigated to assess the data potential. Our investigation demonstrated that the farmhouse was demolished in the 1970s, and most of artifact assemblage was contemporary with last phase of occupation. The shaft features contained a very low density of historic artifacts. The milkbarn was stripped to its lowest foundation levels.

AHRS determined that these cultural resources did not retain the data potential to be considered significant and recommended no further archaeological work for the project as designed.