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A40/M50 LONGFORD TO GORSLEY ROAD IMPROVEMENT: Report on the archaeological evaluation of an alternative northern route at Murrell's End.

INTRODUCTION

General comments

This report assesses the implications for the archaeological resource of a proposed alternative route for the M50-A40 Road Improvement in the area of Murrell's End, Hartpury, Gloucestershire. The preferred route runs to the south of the present settlement and steading of Murrell's End but divides the farm land into two. The northern proposed alternative route, under consideration here, runs generally along the northern boundary of the farm.

The assessments and evaluations were undertaken during the last week in May and the first week in June 1991. The assessment was severely limited by the presence of maturing crops in all fields with exception of three small paddocks immediately around the steading. The evaluation trenching of archaeological features was restricted to the track (AR24), a reported Roman Road.

A list of affected and marginal sites with descriptions and details are presented as an Appendix to this report.

Birmingham University Field Archaeology Unit would like to acknowledge Mr Brewer of Murrell's End for allowing access onto his land and for his help and assistance during this assessment and evaluation.