probes or to mark an isolated find or formed artifact find that can then be overcovered. The cyberstakes were also employed to mark the location of test units and trenches for relocation and re-excavation in the future. We also established cyber lines and grids for erosion control points to monitor the long-term impacts of both coastal and riverine erosion.

As with any type of equipment or technology there is a learning curve: over the course of the project I developed skills that enabled me to quickly relocate an implanted cyberstake located in very dense vegetation. I was able to relocate the cyberstake in a manner that did not require disturbance of vegetation or excavation of soils. I was truly able to take electronic readings while leaving only footprints.

Cyberstakes can be a very useful tool for the archeologist to supplement the standard site form and GPS reading. It is a stable, invisible datum that can be quickly relocated without disturbing the immediate area and without leaving any above-ground trace. Finally, the use of a cyberstake is an important statement by the archeologist and the agency of their commitment to return.

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Cultural Resource Management at the Air National Guard

The Environmental Planning Branch (CEVP), Air National Guard (ANG) is in the process of updating its cultural resource management (CRM) program. Under an interagency agreement, the National Park Service (NPS) developed an electronic database to support ANG efforts to manage and care for cultural resources under its stewardship. The database serves as a central depository for cultural resource and environmental information.

In 1993 and 1994, ANG installations were contacted by the NPS as the first step in collecting information about ANG lands and cultural resources. During the coming year, installations are again being contacted and surveyed to update the database. This is necessary because several installations have recently completed Cultural Resource Management Plans (CRMP). For example, Jefferson Barracks, a National Register Historic District, is evaluating archeological sites as part of an effort to ensure protection and preservation of its cultural resources.

Through a cooperative agreement between ANG and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO), CEVP hired a cultural resource specialist to complete the CRM database project under the direction of Dick Masse, Natural Resources Program Manager. The ANG takes seriously its stewardship responsibilities required under law and Department of Defense directives. Safeguarding its cultural resources is an extension of ANG's policy to be a "good neighbor" in the communities it serves. In consultation with the NPS, a new ANG cultural resource policy will eventually be developed and implemented.

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