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The Brown House (often known as the Club House) is located between the gate and the parking area of the Charles Towne Landing Development on relatively high ground, presently forested in pine. The Brown House is presently occupied by Parks, Recreation and Tourism personnel which made replacement of a malfunctioning septic tank and drainage field located on the east side of the house necessary. The Institute of Archeology and Anthropology was contacted and arrangements were made for an archeologist to be present on Tuesday, October 5, when the contractor was to excavate for a new septic tank and drainage field.

The archeologist arrived at the site at 9:00 A.M., Tuesday, and observed the excavation work to record any features of archeological interest and to prevent damage to features of archeological significance. No features or material of archeological importance were exposed by the excavation for the septic tank near the back door of the Brown House or for the two 100' north-south drainage field trenches east of the new septic tank. At the north end of the drainage field trenches, a modern (circa 1940) dump was found containing many complete liquor bottles and other refuse. The old septic tank and drainage field were encountered at several points while excavating the new drainage field.

The natural stratigraphy, as profiled in the side of the excavation for the new septic tank, is similar to that at other locations on the Charles Towne site. The soil zones from the surface are recent humus, grey sand, yellow sand, orange clayey sand and white sand.