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Dear Mr. Sandbeck:

RE: B-4349, Replace Bridge No. 36 on SR 1388 over Dick's Creek, Jackson County,
State Project # 8.2961501, FA # PFH-1388(2)

Thank you for your letter of May 3, 2005 providing comments on the survey report for this project. In that letter you did not concur with our finding of ineligibility for Dick's Creek Baptist Church. Instead, you stated that the church, despite the alterations, is significant under Criterion A for its association with the development of a small rural community. We concur with the eligibility finding and include with this letter the historic boundary description, boundary justification, and map for the church.

Please review the attached documentation and provide your comments. If you have any questions concerning the accompanying information, please contact me at 715-1620.

Sincerely,

Mary Pope Furr
Historic Architecture Section

Attachment

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Cc (w/ attachment):

SEP 16 2005 Mike Summers, Bridge Maintenance, NCDOT
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ADDENDUM
Historic Architectural Resources Survey Report
Replacement of Bridge #36 on SR 1388 (Dick's Creek Road)
Over Dick's Creek
Jackson County
TIP NO. B-4349

Evaluation of National Register Eligibility

Following review of the Historic Architectural Resources Survey Report for B-4349, the HPO determined that Dick's Creek Baptist Church appears eligible for the National Register under Criteria Consideration A: Religious properties and Criterion A for its historical importance as the Dick's Creek community center, school, and church for over one hundred years, and that it is significant for its association with the development of a small rural community in Jackson County. The HPO found that most of the alterations to the building are evidence of its community functions, and that it conveys integrity of design, setting, workmanship, feeling, and association. In a memorandum to NCDOT dated May 3, 2005, the HPO requested a National Register boundary description, justification and map for Dick's Creek Baptist Church (Appendix B).

Boundary Description and Justification

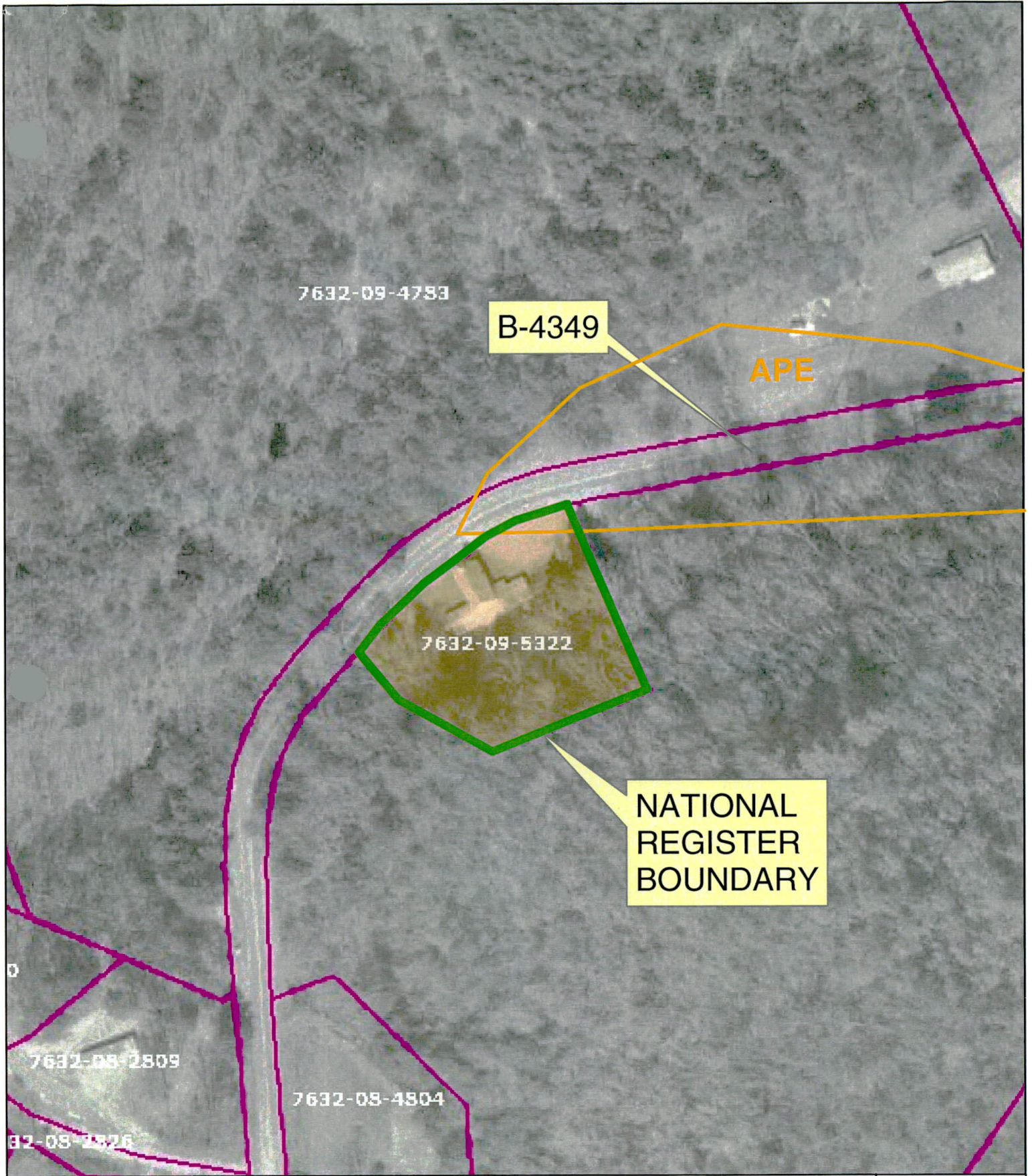
The National Register-eligible boundary for Dick's Creek Baptist Church coincides with the property lines of the one-acre parcel on which the church sits. This boundary provides an appropriate setting for the church. The church faces northwest and sits approximately twenty feet from Dick's Creek Road (SR 1388), which constitutes the northwest boundary of the property. The land slopes steeply upward immediately behind the building. Most of the parcel is paved for parking. The parcel lacks significant landscaping such as decorative trees and shrubs, walls, or paths. An open metal picnic shelter is located adjacent to the parking lot on the northeast side of the building. No outbuildings are present on the site. No grave markers or burial sites were noted at the site.

Boundary Map

The boundaries are shown on the attached map.

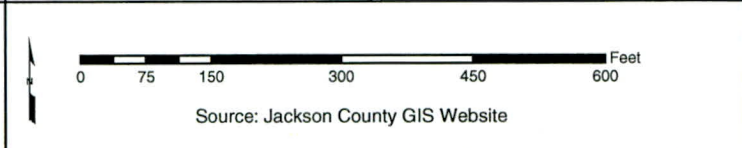
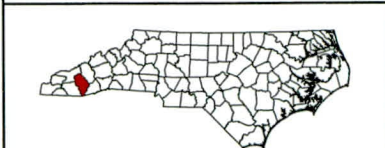
Appendix B

NCHPO Memorandum



NATIONAL REGISTER BOUNDARY
 B-4349
 Bridge No. 36 over Dick's Creek on SR 1388
 Jackson County, North Carolina

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