

North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources

James B. Hunt, Jr., Governor Betty Ray McCain, Secretary Division of Archives and History William S. Price, Jr., Director

May 30, 1995

Nicholas L. Graf
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Federal Highway Administration
Department of Transportation
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Re:

Addendum to Historic Structures Survey Report for US 70 Goldsboro Bypass, Wayne County, R-2554, Federal Aid Project F-56-2(28), State Project 8.T33081, ER 95-8984

Dear Mr. Graf:

Thank you for your letter of May 8, 1995, transmitting the addendum to the historic structures survey report by Scott Owen and Rick Mattson concerning the above project.

We concur that the following properties are not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places:

Head Farm. The house and schoolhouse have undergone numerous character-altering changes and are not eligible under Criterion C for architecture. Although a smokehouse and packhouse survive, the farm lacks agricultural significance under Criterion A.

Hamm-Wilkinson-Matthews House. The house has undergone numerous character-altering exterior changes and lacks special architectural significance for eligibility under Criterion C. Because no early agricultural outbuildings survive, the property is not eligible under Criterion A for agriculture.

The report in general meets our office's guidelines and those of the Secretary of the Interior.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106, codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Nicholas L. Graf May 30, 1995, Page 2

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, please contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919/733-4763.

Sincerely,

David Brook

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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H. F. Vick

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Addendum to An Architectural Resources Survey and Evaluations for New US 70 Goldsboro Bypass Alternatives City of Goldsboro Wayne County

TIP No. R-2554 State Project No. 8.T33081 Federal Aid Project No. F-56-2(28)

North Carolina Department of Transportation Addendum Prepared by Scott Owen

April 10, 1995

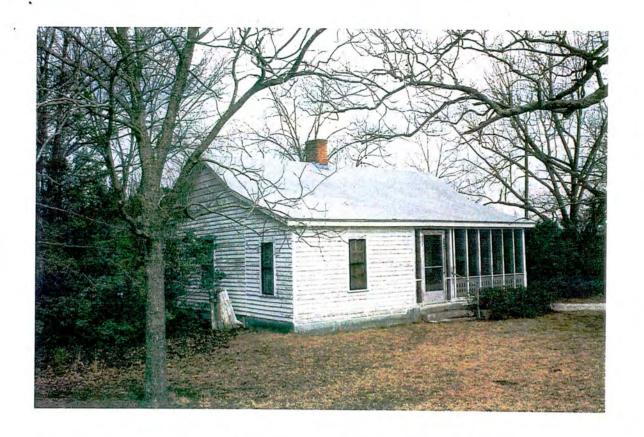
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Supervisor, Historic Architectural Resources Section

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North Carolina Department of Transportation



Head Farmhouse -- Three-quarter view from southwest.



Head Farmhouse -- Three-quarter view from northwest.



Head Farmhouse -- East elevation.



Head Farm -- Schoolhouse.

Head Farm

- A. Location: North side of SR 1571 (Tommy's Road), approx.

 0.6 mile east of US 117, Belfast vicinity
- B. Date: Mid nineteenth century
- C. Style: Vernacular
- D. Description: This one-story hall-parlor farmhouse, which originally had an engaged porch across the facade, was probably built during the middle of the nineteenth century. It is part of a farm that the Head family bought in 1903 (nothing is known about the former owners or builder). The house is located in the southwest corner of the rectangular parcel. A smokehouse, packhouse, garage, and nineteenth-century schoolhouse are grouped around the house. Hardwood trees and tall bushes screen the house and outbuildings from the open tobacco and cotton fields that stretch away to the north and east. A mobile home is situated in the northwest quadrant of the property. A dirt drive provides access off SR 1571, bisecting the property.

Although access to the interior was not permitted, the current owner, Mr. Head, told the surveyor that the oldest section of the house is framed with hewn timbers in mortise and tenon joints. A frame kitchen ell was built to the rear of the house in either the late nineteenth or early twentieth centuries. The Head family enclosed the west end of the engaged porch sometime after the addition of the kitchen ell. This porch room is lit by two narrow 4x4 sash windows, which are used throughout the house (including the gable ends of the oldest section of the house). Mr. Head's father then screened the eastern end of the front porch.

The smokehouse and packhouse are the only surviving agricultural outbuildings on the Head farm. The packhouse was probably not built until after the turn of the twentieth century, when tobacco farming became popular in Wayne County. The one-room schoolhouse that sits to the rear of the Head farmhouse was originally located some distance from the farm, and was where Mr. Head's grandfather attended school. It was built with the same construction technique as the oldest section of the Head farmhouse, which suggests a construction date sometime during the middle decades of the nineteenth century. schoolhouse was moved to its present location about 1915. Since that time metal shed additions have been built on either end of the schoolhouse; it has been used for storage for many years.

E. Integrity: The Head farmhouse has lost some integrity of

design and materials with multiple character-altering changes over the years. The addition of the kitchen ell is characteristic of the natural evolution of farmhouses from the nineteenth to twentieth centuries. Other changes, however, are more distressing: the enclosure of the engaged front porch; the replacement of the original windows in the oldest section with the modern narrow 4x4 sash (which appear throughout the newer additions); the apparent replacement of the weatherboarding (as there are no seams or cuts visible around those windows which are suspected of being newer, smaller replacements); the infilling or replacement of the foundation with concrete blocks; and the addition of a new asphalt shingle roof.

As the surveyor was not permitted access inside, the condition and integrity of the interior is unknown.

F. Evaluation: This property was evaluated for the National Register within the context of the historic and architectural development of the area as outlined by Richard Mattson in "An Architectural Resources Survey and Evaluations for New US 70 Goldsboro Bypass Alternatives" (TIP No. R-2554), dated August 31, 1992. Although the Head farmhouse is a mid nineteenth-century farm dwelling of some interest, its multiple additions and alterations diminish its integrity. At the same time, neither outstanding architectural features nor historical significance associated with events or people are present to supersede the integrity problem and qualify the property for the National Register under Criteria A, B, or Because of the lack of surviving agricultural outbuildings, this farm is also not qualified for the National Register under Criterion A for Agriculture. architectural component of this property is not likely to yield information important in the history of building technology; it is therefore not eligible for the National Register under Criterion D in that respect. For the eligibility of the archaeological component of this property, see the archaeological report.



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James B. Hunt, Jr., Governor Betty Ray McCain, Secretary

Division of Archives and History William S. Price, Jr., Director

September 14, 1994

MEMORANDUM

TO:

H. Franklin Vick, P.E., Manager

Planning and Environmental Branch

Division of Highways

Department of Transportation

FROM:

David Brook

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

SUBJECT:

Proposed US 70 Goldsboro Bypass from SR 1237 to

SR 1731, Wayne County, R-2554, 8.T220801, F-56-

2(28), 94-E-4220-1002

We have received the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) from the State Clearinghouse and would like to comment.

We believe that the DEIS adequately addresses our previous comments regarding historic architectural resources. However, we would like to notify the Federal Highway Administration and the North Carolina Department of Transportation of recent telephone calls we received concerning two properties over fifty years of age in the area of potential effect.

Following a public meeting for the project, Ms. Jodie Head called to tell us about the Head Farm. The property is located on the north side of SR 1571 (Tommy's Road) between Belfast and Waltham. It consists of a one-story house, a schoolhouse, a packhouse, a smokehouse, and a garage. We checked the background materials--photographs of properties over fifty years of age keyed to a map--submitted with the historic architectural survey report. Based upon the information provided by Ms. Head, the Head Farm was not photographed and mapped during the historic architectural survey.

Also, we received a telephone call from Mr. Charles Ellis, president of the Wayne County Historical Association, who is concerned about the Head Farm as well as another property—the Wilkinson-Matthews Farm. The Wilkinson-Matthews Farm is located on SR 1523 (Patetown Road) about 0.75 miles north of the junction with SR 1571 and designated as a North Carolina Century Farm. It was photographed and mapped as Property No. 54 during the survey but was not further evaluated in the report.

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We have enclosed information provided by Mr. Ellis concerning the Wilkinson-Matthews Farm and a map locating both of the properties. Mr. Ellis, telephone 919/242-4772, may be of further assistance to you since he is familiar with both of the properties and the owners. We recommend that an architectural historian survey the Head Farm and report the findings to us. Since the Wilkinson-Matthews Farm is located nearby, it may be helpful to survey and evaluate it as well.

The DEIS also reflects our comments concerning archaeological resources. As stated, additional information is needed on twenty-one of the sites recorded during the sample survey before we can evaluate their National Register eligibility. We also believe an intensive survey of the selected alternate will be necessary. We have not yet received a revised survey report. Please forward the revised report as soon as it is available.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106, codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, please contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919/733-4763.

DB:slw

cc: State Clearinghouse

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SECRETARY

August 5, 1994

Ms. Elizabeth Matthews 2311 Providence Road Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Dear Ms. Matthews:

RE: Hamm-Wilkinson-Matthews House, Route 111, Goldsboro Bypass, Wayne County TIP No. R-2554

Ms. Deborah Howell, one of your tenants, attended our public hearing for the Goldsboro Bypass. She requested that your house and farm be investigated for its potential historic significance. As a result, we checked to see if your house was eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Consequently, your farmhouse is not considered to be potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places for the following reasons.

The two-story frame house has modern replacement siding, modern replacement sawnwork on the porch, a modern rear ell, and modern porch flooring. Windows have been potentially altered when siding was installed. Although the house stands in a mature pecan grove, no early outbuildings remain, and a modern metal equipment storage facility stands behind the residence. The original interior, however, is said to be essentially intact, and probably features vernacular Greek Revival woodwork. The principal investigator, though, did not inspect the interior.

The house has been in the same family for over 100 years and is a designated Century Farm in North Carolina. The original family dwelling was built ca. 1855 in the field east of the present site, and is said to have served as a hospital during the Civil War (Elizabeth Matthews Interview). In the early 1900s, a section of this antebellum house was relocated to its present location, and stands today as the main body of the Hamm-Wilkinson-Matthews House. A south wing and front porch were then added in the early twentieth century.

However, the house does not have the special architectural significance for listing in the National Register under Criterion C for architecture. Although there is original farmland associated with the house, because no

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early outbuildings survive, the property is not considered eligible for the National Register under Criterion A for agriculture.

Please contact the Project Engineer, Leigh Cobb, at 783-3141, if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

H. Franklin Vick, P. E., Manager Planning and Environmental Branch

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cc: Carl Goode

25 July 1994

To: William Butler, P.E.

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From: Richard L. Mattson, Ph.D.

Mattson and Associates

Re: Hamm-Wilkinson-Matthews House, Route 111

Goldsboro Bypass, Wayne County

This farmhouse is not considered to be potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The two-story frame house had modern replacement siding, modern replacement sawnwork on the porch, a modern rear ell, and modern porch flooring. Windows were partially altered when siding was installed. Although the house stands in a mature pecan grove, no early outbuildings remain, and a modern metal equipment storage facility stands behind the residence. The original interior, however, is said to be essentially intact, and probably features vernacular Greek Revival woodwork. The principal investigator, though, did not inspect the interior.

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The house and farm have great personal significance to its owner, Elizabeth Matthews, who farmed about 500 acres of land in different parts of Wayne County during the mid-twentieth century. It is the site of family reunions, and Mrs. Matthews has had the property placed on a Wayne County register of historic farms.

However, the house does not have the special architectural significance for listing in the National Register under Criterion C. Athough there is original farmland associated with the house, because no early outbuildings survive, the property is not considered eligible for the National Register under Criterion A for agriculture.



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US 70 Goldsboro Bypass Wayne County, North Carolina TIP No. R-2554

Dear Ms. Cobb:

Reference is made to the concern expressed during the Public Hearing regarding the historic significance of the subject property and your request for verification that the property had been evaluated during the historic research process for the subject project.

Accordingly we are forwarding a copy of the correspondence received from Richard Mattson describing the architectural modifications, farm setting and noting the lack of special architectural significance required for listing on the National Register.

Please advise if any additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

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