COUNTY: HISTORIC RESOURCES OF CLARKESVILLE, HABERSHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

- - -		PROPERTY NAME: Agriculture Building	HISTORIC NAME: Market Building
	NOI	STREET ADDRESS: N. Washington Street	<b>CITY:</b> Clarkesville
	I. IDENTIFICATION	PRESENT OWNER: David Burrell, County	MAILING ADDRESS: Habersham County Courthouse
		CITY: Commission Chairman Clarkesville	STATE: Georgia ZIP CODE: 30523
		CURRENT USE: Office-SCS, ASCS,	ACREAGE: structure only
		Office-SCS, ASCS, Habersham Planning Commission U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Clarkesville	U.T.M. REFERENCE: Z17 E268210 N3833110
		V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: CL -15-87 (structure only)	
	II. DESCRIPTION	ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: One story brick building, brick laid in common bond, stepped parapet walls with "signboards" on each end; pitched roof, exposed rafter ends; wood-framed monitor centered on ridge; pedimented entry along southwest side; double hung wood sash windows; simple detailing; interior divided into office space, poured concrete floors; located just west of the town square, surrounded by vacant lots and parking lots; fair condition.	
III. HISTORY		ORIGINAL OWNER: Habersham County	ORIGINAL USE: Market
	RY	ARCHITECT/BUILDER: W.P.A.	HISTORIC ACREAGE: City Lot
		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1935-36 DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS: 1950's-interior	
	[STO]	HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT): This structure was constructed for use	
	III. H	as farmer's market. It is one of two structures in Clarkesville built by the Works Project Administration during the Depression. It was used for the manufacture of mattresses in 1940's and converted into government office space 1950's.	
<u></u>		N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Politics/government; commerce; LEVEL: Local	
ICE		agriculture; architecture STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): In terms of politics/government,	
IV. SIGNIFICAN	V. SIGNIFICANCE	the Market Building is significant as one of two local buildings built by the Works Progress Administration (W.P.A.) during the Great Depression. As such, it represents	
		in a locally significant way the first major federal government involvement in the local affairs of the town. It is also a local manifestation of a nationwide federal govern-	
		ment program that characterized the Depres	sion era. This particular building was in-
	H	tended to help the local economy in two ways: by providing construction jobs, and by creating a central market place where area farmers could more efficiently sell (CONTD)	
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		SOURCES OF INFORMATION:	
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: their agricultural products. In terms of <u>commerce</u> and <u>agriculture</u>, this building is significant for serving as a central market place for local agricultural products. Because of its location just off the town square, convenient to other local businesses, the market contributed to the economy of downtown Clarkesville. This kind of symbiotic activity helped Clarkesville, like other Georgia communities, weather the Depression. In terms of <u>architecture</u>, the building is significant as a good example of one type of W.P.A. building found throughout Georgia. W.P.A. buildings in Georgia generally fall into one of three categories - high style, usually found in the larger cities; rustic, found in smaller towns and parks; and utilitarian, usually found in small towns. The market, like the addition to the local high school (in the South Washington Street Historic District), belongs to the latter category.