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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Nation Ford Road
other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 5 noncontiguous sections of roadbed in Fort Mill township not for publication _____
city or town Fort Mill vicinity X
state South Carolina code SC county York code 091 zip code 29715

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide X locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mary W. Edmonds 4/18/2000
Signature of certifying official Date

Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, S.C. Dept. of Archives and History, Columbia, S.C.
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

	Signature of the Keeper	Date of Action
I, hereby certify that this property is:		
___ entered in the National Register ___ See continuation sheet.	_____	_____
___ determined eligible for the National Register ___ See continuation sheet.	_____	_____
___ determined not eligible for the National Register	_____	_____
___ removed from the National Register	_____	_____
___ other (explain):	_____	_____

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Contributing	Noncontributing	
_____	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
5	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
5	_____	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
Resources of the Nation Ford Road Area

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register
0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: TRANSPORTATION

Subcategory: _____

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: TRANSPORTATION
VACANT/NOT IN USE

Subcategory: _____

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)
N/A

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)
foundation _____
walls _____
roof _____
other _____

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- a owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- b removed from its original location.
- c a birthplace or a grave.
- d a cemetery.
- e a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- f a commemorative property.
- g less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION

Period of Significance

ca. 1650-1912

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance

Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
 - Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Name of repository:
Catawba Regional Planning Council,
Rock Hill, S.C.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 7.53 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing	Zone Easting Northing
1 _____	3 _____
2 _____	4 _____

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)
Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul Gettys, Senior Planner
organization Catawba Regional Planning Council date August 26, 1997
street & number P.O. Box 450 telephone (803) 327-9041
city or town Rock Hill state SC zip code 29731

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Multiple; see continuation sheet
street & number _____ telephone _____
city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.). **Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Nation Ford Road and its related resources provide a unique record of the history of eastern York County from pre-history to the early twentieth century. The road existed as a trading path in prehistoric times. It was known to European traders as early as the 1650s. Its use expanded with the movement of thousands of settlers to the Piedmont of the Carolinas and Georgia from Virginia, Pennsylvania, and other northern colonies. As the area became more thickly settled, Nation Ford Road became a local traffic artery, helping to influence development patterns. The road played a role in the American Revolution and the Civil War because of its strategic value and its relation to the crossing point of the Catawba River at Nation Ford. With the development of more modern roads to accommodate automobile traffic, Nation Ford Road passed out of use along much of its route.

Several segments of Nation Ford Road are still visible today. These segments have been identified in this nomination as segments 1 through 5.

Segment 1 (Catawba River to Banks Street). On the north side of the Catawba River at Nation Ford, the roadbed of Nation Ford Road is visible leading north from the river toward the Town of Fort Mill. In this section, the roadbed is a depression running through the heavily forested areas along the river. It parallels the Catawba River, skirting a small hill before turning north and running parallel to present Banks Street for a short distance. Due to industrial development which has taken place in 1996-97 in the area, the road bed has been removed north of this point.

Segment 2 (Brickyard Road from new southern bypass to U. S. Highway 21). The road is next visible at the south end of Brickyard Road, just west of its intersection with the Norfolk Southern Railroad line. It follows the current roadbed of Brickyard Road into the Town of Fort Mill and the intersection with U. S. Highway Business 21 (Spratt Street). From this point through the Town of Fort Mill, development has obliterated the path of the road.

Segment 3 (North White Street to old airfield). Just beyond the Town of Fort Mill's northern boundary, a segment of the old road bed is visible near the William Elliott White Homestead. It leaves the path of modern North White Street (S. C. Highway 160) just west of the Homestead and is visible as a depression parallel to a modern dirt road just to its west. The route here enters the Ann Springs Close Greenway. At the horse barns of the Greenway, the road bed was destroyed for a distance as the result of the construction of a private airfield.

Segment 4 (Old airfield to south bank of Lake Haigler). In the wooded area north of the old airfield runway, the roadbed again becomes evident as a depression which runs north to the shore of Lake Haigler. It passes under the waters of Lake Haigler.

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Section 5 (North bank of Lake Haigler to Springfield Plantation). On the north side of the lake, the roadbed is clearly visible as it climbs the grade. A portion of the road bed is used for a hiking trail and road within the Ann Springs Close Greenway heading north and then turning east to cross Steele Creek. It fords Steele Creek and turns northeast to parallel a field road. Along this section, the road bed is used as a hiking trail for the Greenway. Just west of the barn which has been converted into a conference center for the Greenway, the bed of Nation Ford Road rejoins the Greenway access road and travels northeast as a dirt road. Just east of the Greenway headquarters, the old road bed turns toward the north and leaves the current dirt road to travel through a wooded area as a depression. The visible section of the road ends just south of the Springfield Plantation house. Sections of the road to the north of this point were apparently obliterated in the construction of U. S. Highway 21 Business.

Historically, the road continued north into North Carolina. Portions of the road still exist in Mecklenburg County under the name Nations Ford Road. Other sections of the road may be identified as part of existing roads to the south of the crossing at Nation Ford in the Rock Hill area.

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NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Nation Ford Road and associated resources had a major influence on the early development of eastern York County. Sections of the road which still exist are eligible to be placed in the National Register under Criterion A because the road is associated with events over a long time frame which have contributed to the development and character of eastern York County. The presence of Nation Ford as one of the few reliable crossing places on the Catawba River led to its use by the Catawba Indians and other tribes. Gradually, a north-south path developed which led from Virginia to the Nation Ford. This path was being used by white traders as early as 1650.¹ The trading path which crossed at the river here was known by many names, including the "Occaneechi Path," the "Catawba Path," and on Mouzon's map of 1775 as the "Indian Road."² One of the oldest documented travel routes in the southeast, it began at the James River, traversed southern Virginia, crossed the Piedmont of North Carolina, passed into South Carolina, and forked just south of Nation Ford. The route eventually became known as Nation Ford Road in the sections on either side of the river which approached the ford. It provided the Catawbias and other southern tribes with an access route for trade and communication with northern tribes. It served as a route for the first white traders and later settlers who entered the Piedmont of the Carolinas from the north. The route of the trail and the sites associated with it have great significance in the history of eastern York County.

Nation Ford was one of several spots along the Catawba River where the relative shallowness allowed for a crossing on horseback or wagon when the river level was at normal stage. Nation Ford was shown on many early maps as one of the most important features of the Catawba valley. The presence of Nation Ford determined the point where the Catawba Path crossed the river. By 1786, traffic had grown to the point that a ferry was established to provide a more reliable crossing of the river. The South Carolina Legislature established a public ferry "near a place known by the name of Old Nation Ford" to be operated by Thomas Sprot [Spratt] and Daniel Sturges [Sturgis].³ The ferry was reauthorized a number of times, but the ford continued in use. In the 1780s and 1790s, York County appointed Road Commissioners to lay out and mark a road from Nation Ford to York Court House, and later to the Chester County line.⁴ Nation Ford Road gradually fell into disuse in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Portions of the road were incorporated into more modern roads, and other portions were obliterated by development. By the early twentieth century,

¹Sam B. Mendenhall, remarks at the dedication of Nation Ford Historical Park, July 30, 1960, recorded in the Federal Register, August 22, 1960.

²Douglas Summers Brown, The Catawba Indians: The People of the River, University of South Carolina Press, 1966, p. 69.

³Statutes at Large, p. 304.

⁴York County Minute Books, A, p. 142, 179, 187, 346; B: p. 34, 73, 77, 117, 152.

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automobile traffic led to the erection of bridges to connect the Fort Mill and Rock Hill sides of the river and Nation Ford Road was largely abandoned.

Nation Ford Road has been associated with many historical trends and events because of its strategic importance. As the flood of settlers began to move into the Carolina backcountry from the north, Nation Ford Road became one branch of the "Great Waggon Road" from Pennsylvania. Many of the early European settlers of the upper Piedmont of South Carolina used the road and crossed the Catawba at Nation Ford. Thomas Spratt became one of the first to locate in what is now York County when he settled alongside Nation Ford Road at the invitation of the Catawba Indians sometime in the 1750s. Other early families in the Fort Mill area, including the Erwins, Garrisons, and Whites, also settled near the road.

The road became a strategic point in both the American Revolution and the American Civil War. During the Revolution, it is known that General Thomas Sumter and 500 men under his leadership camped at Nation Ford in July 1780.⁵ After the defeat of the British at Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780, Lord Cornwallis began to move his troops from Charlotte to the relative safety of Winnsboro. He came down Nation Ford Road to cross the river at the ford. However, the river was in flood and he decided to camp for several days at Thomas Spratt's plantation on Nation Ford Road. It was finally decided to move down the eastern bank of the river and attempt a crossing at Landsford.⁶

In the late 1840s, plans were developed for a rail line to run between Charlotte and Augusta. The line followed very closely the Nation Ford Road between the Catawba River and Charlotte. The route necessitated a trestle over the Catawba, and Nation Ford was a logical choice. Nation Ford Road was the scene of one of the final actions in the Civil War when a skirmish occurred in April 1865 at the Nation Ford. President Jefferson Davis and members of his Cabinet passed along the road shortly afterward as the remnants of the Confederate government fled southward. The President and his party crossed on April 29, 1865, proceeding south to Yorkville.⁷

The railroad trestle was soon rebuilt, and has continued to play an important role in the economic viability of the area. With the improvement of other routes of travel, most sections of Nation Ford Road gradually fell into disuse. By 1912, the roads leading to the ford on either side of the river were abandoned.⁸

⁵Brown, p. 267.

⁶Joseph Johnson, M. D., Traditions and Reminiscences Chiefly of the American Revolution in the South. Charleston: Walker & James, 1851, p. 347.

⁷Thomas, p. 4.

⁸Rock Hill Herald, "Should Reopen Nation Ford To The Public," October 3, 1912.

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Nation Ford Road is significant because it provides evidence of an ancient transportation route which has helped to shape the modern world. The presence of the road led many early European settlers to locate in the area. As the major transportation artery in the area, it influenced the course of events in everyday commerce and in the most important armed conflicts to be fought on American soil. The development of the railroad, which largely followed the earlier route of Nation Ford Road, helped to shape the modern development patterns of the area by determining the location of depots which would grow into Rock Hill and Fort Mill. Although superseded by more modern highways, Nation Ford Road established the basic route that they followed, from U. S. Highway 21 in the 1920s to I-77 in the 1970s. Although largely forgotten today, Nation Ford Road had a significant role in shaping the face of eastern York County.

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UTM REFERENCES (Continued)

	Zone	Easting	Northing
Segment 1:			Catawba River to Banks Street
A (Beginning)	17	503761.83	3868764.39
B (Ending)	17	504247.61	3869565.71
Segment 2:			Brickyard Road to Spratt Street (U.S. Hwy. 21 Business)
C (Beginning)	17	504655.01	3871387.04
D (Ending)	17	504485.37	3873038.85
Segment 3:			William Elliott White House through Anne Springs Close Greenway
E (Beginning)	17	504439.87	3874598.20
(Ending)	17	504604.24	3875129.48
Segment 4:			Old Airstrip to Lake Haigler
G (Beginning)	17	505084.16	3875712.87
H (Ending)	17	505107.64	3876473.10
Segment 5:			Lake Haigler through the Anne Springs Close Greenway to Springfield Plantation
J (Beginning)	17	505236.79	3876578.03
K (Ending)	17	506623.70	3878176.28

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nomination includes five discontinuous sections of Nation Ford Road which can be easily identified in the Fort Mill Township. These are described in the Narrative Description section and are shown on the USGS map. They are listed below:

1) From the point where the road reached the Catawba River at Nation Ford, a portion of the roadbed is visible heading east and north as a depression in the ground. This section of the road parallels the river for a short distance, skirts a small hill, then turns north and runs parallel to Banks Street for a distance. Recent industrial development has removed any additional traces of the road.

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- 2) The road is next visible at the south end of Brickyard Road, just west of its intersection with the Norfolk Southern rail line. It follows the current roadbed of Brickyard Road approximately 1.2 miles, passing the Spratt cemetery and ending at the intersection with Spratt Street (U. S. 21 Business).
- 3) Just to the north of the Fort Mill town limit, portions of the roadbed are visible as a depression passing just west of the William Elliott White House. This section continues north into the Anne Springs Close Greenway. It ends near the horse barns for the Greenway at the site of an old airplane landing strip, which destroyed evidences of the roadbed.
- 4) Just north of the old airstrip, the road reappears as a depression. It continues north and enters the waters of Lake Haigler, a man-made reservoir.
- 5) North of Lake Haigler, the road reappears. In this area the road is a clearly visible as a depression which rises to the hilltop, where it is incorporated into a modern dirt road. This road approaches Steele Creek, fords the creek, and climbs the hill on the north side. The old roadbed is visible to the north of Steele Creek, where it runs parallel to the modern dirt road. In this area, it presently serves as a trail which is part of the Anne Springs Close Greenway. Near the conference center of the Greenway, Nation Ford Road again serves as the roadbed for the modern dirt road. While traveling northeast for a distance, it veers to the north, where it is visible as a depression ending in the driveway for the Springfield Plantation house. The section of the roadbed north of Lake Haigler is the longest visible section, totaling approximately 1.25 miles.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The sections of Nation Ford Road which are selected include the only visible sections of the original roadbed in the Fort Mill Township of York County. The locations were verified from historic maps, plat maps, and verbal descriptions of the road. Other sections of the road which are not included have been destroyed or heavily altered by urban or industrial development, or cannot be identified.

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PROPERTY OWNERS

Parcel 705-01	Hugh M. White , Jr., 2530 Sam White Road, Fort Mill, S. C. 29715
Parcel 706-01	Close Family Real Estate Partnership, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 730-07	Anne Springs Close, c/o Springs Company, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 712-03	Leroy Springs and Company, P. O. Box 1209, Fort Mill, S. C. 29716
Parcel 710-02	Close Family Real Estate Partnership #1, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 730-01	Leroy Springs and Company, P. O. Box 1209, Fort Mill, S. C. 29716

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The following information is the same for each of the photographs:

Name of Property: Nation Ford Road
Name of Photographer: Paul Gettys
Date of Photographs: September 1997
Location of Original Negatives: Catawba Regional Planning Council, Rock Hill, S.C.

These photographs are listed from north to south along the route of Nation Ford Road, beginning at Springfield Plantation and ending at the Catawba River.

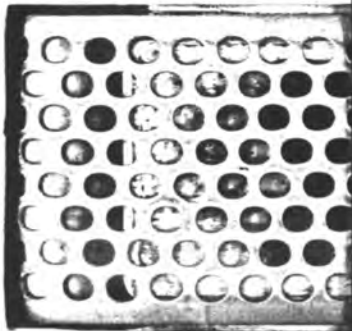
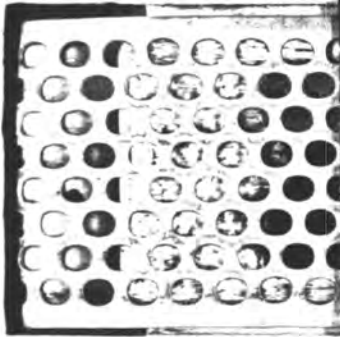
1. Springfield Plantation (ca. 1806), listed in the National Register 9/12/85, was located along the Nation Ford Road. Existing evidence of the road begins in the yard of the house at left.
2. View to NE along service road in Anne Springs Close Greenway, which is on the alignment of Nation Ford Road.
3. View to SW in Anne Springs Close Greenway from same spot as in photo #2.
4. Segment of historic roadbed in the Anne Springs Close Greenway used as an accessible trail for wheelchair use.
5. Segment of historic roadbed used as a hiking trail in the Anne Springs Close Greenway.
6. View to SW along trail leading down to Steele Creek.
7. Suspension bridge over Steele Creek adjacent to the roadbed.
8. View to E, where roadbed fords Steele Creek
9. View to W of roadbed, used as a hiking trail, rising from Steele Creek
10. View to N, back toward Steele Creek; banks on either side of roadbed are up to 8' high
11. View to N, from open area in front of environmental education center at Anne Springs Close greenway; this section is used for vehicular traffic
12. View to S, from same spot as in photo #11; area to left is used for parking
13. View to NW from roadbed

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14. View to S going downhill from open area toward Lake Haigler
15. Footbridge crossing railroad
16. Roadbed leading S from footbridge toward Lake Haigler; banks on either side of roadbed are 6' to 7' here



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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Name: Nation Ford Road

MULTIPLE Name: Nation Ford Road Area MPS

STATE & COUNTY: SOUTH CAROLINA, York

DATE RECEIVED: 5/02/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/17/00
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/02/00 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/16/00
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 00000593

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT _____ DATE

EXTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See ~~attached~~ comments attached to
cover document

RECOM./CRITERIA Return

REVIEWER Hopper

DISCIPLINE Historian

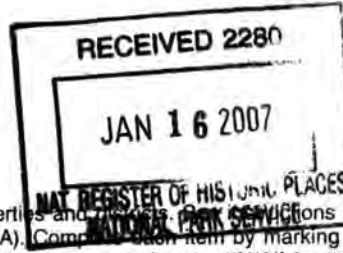
TELEPHONE (202)343-9546

DATE 6/13/00

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments N see attached SLR Y/N

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1. Name of Property

historic name Nation Ford Road

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number Several segments of road bed in Fort Mill Township not for publication

city or town near Fort Mill vicinity

state South Carolina code SC county York code 091 zip code 29715

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mary W. Edmunds 1/11/07
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State of Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

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- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper Anna McCallard Date of Action 3/1/07

Nation Ford Road
Name of Property

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County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
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- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
_____	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
5	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
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Name of related multiple property listing
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Resources of the Nation Ford Road Area

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

N/A

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation _____
walls _____

roof _____
other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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NATION FORD ROAD

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Nation Ford Road and the related resources provide a unique record of the history of eastern York County from pre-history to the early twentieth century. The road existed as part of a network of Native American trading paths in prehistoric times. It was known to European traders as early as the 1650s. Its use greatly expanded with the movement of thousands of settlers who came south to the Piedmont of the Carolinas and Georgia from Virginia, Pennsylvania, and other northern colonies. As the area became more thickly settled, Nation Ford Road became a local traffic artery helping to influence local development patterns. The road played a role in the American Revolution and the Civil War because of its strategic value and its relation to the crossing point of the Catawba River at Nation Ford. With the development of more modern roads to accommodate automobile traffic, Nation Ford Road passed out of use along most of its route, and can be identified today as a dirt road or simply as a depression in the ground.

Five segments of the Nation Ford Road have been identified and are included in this nomination. The segments are listed from south to north beginning at the Nation Ford in the Catawba River and ending at Springfield Plantation house, a National Register property north of Fort Mill. These segments of the road can be related to historic maps and plats which describe the path of Nation Ford Road. Segments of the road which have lost integrity due to modern development, road realignments, and other alterations to the landscape have not been included. The segments are described below:

Segment 1. (Catawba River at Nation Ford to Banks Street). On the north side of the Catawba River at Nation Ford, the road bed of the Nation Ford Road is visible leading north from the river toward the current Town of Fort Mill. In this segment, which is approximately 6,000 feet in length, the road bed is clearly visible as a depression in the soil running through heavily forested areas along the river. It parallels the river, skirting a small hill, before turning north and running parallel to the current Banks Street and the Norfolk Southern Railroad. Construction of an industrial park has removed evidence of the road north of this point.

Segment 2. (Brickyard Road from Fort Mill Parkway to Spratt Street). The road is next visible beginning at the south end of Brickyard Road, just west of the crossing of the Norfolk Southern Railroad. Here, Brickyard Road follows the route of Nation Ford Road into the Town of Fort Mill. This segment, which is approximately 7,500 feet in length, is

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rural in nature. North of Spratt Street (U. S. 21), the development of the Town of Fort Mill has erased the visible path of the road.

Segment 3. (North White Street to old airfield). A segment of the old Nation Ford Road is visible north of North White Street and just west of the William Elliott White Homestead, a Nation Register property. This road segment, which is approximately 1,250 feet in length, is visible as a depression parallel to a dirt road used for access to the horse barns of the Close family. At the northern end of this segment, the road bed was destroyed as the result of the construction of a private airfield.

Segment 4. (Old airfield to south bank of Lake Haigler). In the wooded area north of the old airfield, the road bed again becomes evident as a depression which runs north to the shore of Lake Haigler. This 1,000 foot segment ends on the south shore of the lake, which was created by damming a tributary of Steele Creek.

Segment 5. (North bank of Lake Haigler to Springfield Plantation). On the north side of Lake Haigler, the road bed is clearly visible as a depression which emerges from the lake and climbs the grade. A portion of the road bed is used as a hiking trail and road within the Anne Springs Close Greenway. This segment heads north, then turns east to ford Steele Creek. Across the creek, the road bed turns northeast and is visible as a depression parallel to a dirt field road. This portion of the road is also used as a hiking trail. Just west of the barn which has been converted into a conference center for the Greenway, the bed of Nation Ford Road rejoins the Greenway access road and travels northeast as a dirt road. The Greenway offices are located in an old farmhouse. Just east of this house, the old road bed turns north and leaves the dirt road to travel through a wooded area. Here the road bed is visible as a depression. This section ends at the driveway into the Springfield Plantation House, a National Register property. To the north of this point, the construction of U. S. 21 apparently removed evidence of Nation Ford Road. Segment 5 is approximately 7,000 feet in length.

Historically, the road continued into Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Portions of the road still exist there under the name Nations Ford Road, which enters the City of Charlotte. Other sections of the early road network can be identified to the south of the Catawba River in the Rock Hill area, which also has a street named Nations Ford Road. Future work may be able to identify and nominate other segments of the road in these areas.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or grave.
D a cemetery.
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F a commemorative property.
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION

Period of Significance

c. 1650-1912

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 7.53 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See UTM Reference Sheet

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul M. Gettys

organization _____ date _____

street & number 4180 Cureton Ferry Road telephone (803) 329-3567

city or town Catawba state SC zip code 29704

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name See continuation sheet

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Nation Ford Road and associated resources had a major influence on the early development of eastern York County. Sections of the road which still exist are eligible to be placed in the National Register under Criterion A because the road is associated with events over a long time frame which have contributed to the development and character of eastern York County. The presence of Nation Ford as one of the few reliable crossing places on the Catawba River led to its use by the Catawba Indians and other tribes. Gradually, a north-south path developed which led from Virginia to the Nation Ford. This path was being used by white traders as early as 1650.¹ The trading path which crossed at the river here was known by many names, including the "Occaneechi Path," the "Catawba Path," and on Mouzon's map of 1775 as the "Indian Road."² One of the oldest documented travel routes in the southeast, it began at the James River, traversed southern Virginia, crossed the Piedmont of North Carolina, passed into South Carolina, and forked just south of Nation Ford. The route eventually became known as Nation Ford Road in the sections on either side of the river which approached the ford. It provided the Catawbans and other southern tribes with an access route for trade and communication with northern tribes. It served as a route for the first white traders and later for settlers who entered the Piedmont of the Carolinas from the north. The route of the trail and the sites associated with it have great significance in the history of eastern York County.

Nation Ford was one of several spots along the Catawba River where the relative shallowness allowed for a crossing on horseback or wagon when the river level was at normal stage. Nation Ford was shown on many early maps as one of the most important features of the Catawba valley. The presence of Nation Ford determined the point where the Catawba Path crossed the river. By 1786, traffic had grown to the point that a ferry was established to provide a more reliable crossing of the river. The South Carolina Legislature established a public ferry "near a place known by the name of Old Nation Ford" to be operated by Thomas Sprout [Spratt] and Daniel Sturges [Sturgis].³ The ferry was reauthorized a number of times, but the ford continued in use. In the 1780s and 1790s, York County appointed Road Commissioners to lay out and mark a road from Nation Ford to York Court House, and later to the Chester County line.⁴ Nation Ford Road gradually fell into disuse in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Portions of the road were incorporated into more modern roads, and other portions were obliterated by development. By the early twentieth century,

¹Sam B. Mendenhall, remarks at the dedication of Nation Ford Historical Park, July 30, 1960, recorded in the Federal Register, August 22, 1960.

²Douglas Summers Brown, The Catawba Indians: The People of the River, University of South Carolina Press, 1966, p. 69.

³Statutes at Large, p. 304.

⁴York County Minute Books, A, p. 142, 179, 187, 346; B: p. 34, 73, 77, 117, 152.

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automobile traffic led to the erection of bridges to connect the Fort Mill and Rock Hill sides of the river and Nation Ford Road was largely abandoned.

Nation Ford Road has been associated with many historical trends and events because of its strategic importance. As the flood of settlers began to move into the Carolina backcountry from the north, Nation Ford Road became one branch of the "Great Waggon Road" from Pennsylvania. Many of the early European settlers of the upper Piedmont of South Carolina used the road and crossed the Catawba at Nation Ford. Thomas Spratt became one of the first to locate in what is now York County when he settled alongside Nation Ford Road at the invitation of the Catawba Indians sometime in the 1750s. Other early families in the Fort Mill area, including the Erwins, Garrisons, and Whites, also settled near the road.

The road became a strategic point in both the American Revolution and the American Civil War. During the Revolution, it is known that General Thomas Sumter and 500 men under his leadership camped at Nation Ford in July 1780.⁵ After the defeat of the British at Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780, Lord Cornwallis began to move his troops from Charlotte to the relative safety of Winnsboro. He came down Nation Ford Road to cross the river at the ford. However, the river was in flood and he decided to camp for several days at Thomas Spratt's plantation on Nation Ford Road. It was finally decided to move down the eastern bank of the river and attempt a crossing at Landsford.⁶

In the late 1840s, plans were developed for a rail line to run between Charlotte and Augusta. The line followed very closely the Nation Ford Road between the Catawba River and Charlotte. The route necessitated a trestle over the Catawba, and Nation Ford was a logical choice. Nation Ford Road was the scene of one of the final actions in the Civil War when a skirmish occurred in April 1865 at the Nation Ford. President Jefferson Davis and members of his Cabinet passed along the road shortly afterward as the remnants of the Confederate government fled southward. The President and his party crossed on April 29, 1865, proceeding south to Yorkville.⁷

The railroad trestle was soon rebuilt, and has continued to play an important role in the economic viability of the area. With the improvement of other routes of travel, most sections of Nation Ford Road gradually fell into disuse. By 1912, the roads leading to the ford on either side of the river were abandoned.⁸

⁵Brown, p. 267.

⁶Joseph Johnson, M. D., Traditions and Reminiscences Chiefly of the American Revolution in the South. Charleston: Walker & James, 1851, p. 347.

⁷Thomas, p. 4.

⁸Rock Hill Herald, "Should Reopen Nation Ford To The Public," October 3, 1912.

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Nation Ford Road is significant because it provides evidence of an ancient transportation route which has helped to shape the modern world. The presence of the road led many early European settlers in locate in the area. As the major transportation artery in the area, it influenced the course of events in everyday commerce and in the most important armed conflicts to be fought on American soil. The development of the railroad, which largely followed the earlier route of Nation Ford Road, helped to shape the modern development patterns of the area by determining the location of depots which would grow into Rock Hill and Fort Mill. Although superseded by more modern highways, Nation Ford Road established the basic route that they followed, from U. S. Highway 21 in the 1920s to I-77 in the 1970s. Although largely forgotten today, Nation Ford Road had a significant role in shaping the face of eastern York County.

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UTM REFERENCES (Continued)

	Zone	Easting	Northing
Segment 1:	Catawba River to Banks Street		
A (Beginning)	17	503761.83	3868764.39
B (Ending)	17	504247.61	3869565.71
Segment 2:	Brickyard Road to Spratt Street (U.S. Hwy. 21 Business)		
C (Beginning)	17	504655.01	3871387.04
D (Ending)	17	504485.37	3873038.85
Segment 3:	William Elliott White House through Anne Springs Close Greenway		
E (Beginning)	17	504439.87	3874598.20
F (Ending)	17	504604.24	3875129.48
Segment 4:	Old Airstrip to Lake Haigler		
G (Beginning)	17	505084.16	3875712.87
H (Ending)	17	505107.64	3876473.10
Segment 5:	Lake Haigler through the Anne Springs Close Greenway to Springfield Plantation		
J (Beginning)	17	505236.79	3876578.03
K (Ending)	17	506623.70	3878176.28

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nomination includes five discontinuous sections of Nation Ford Road which can be easily identified in the Fort Mill Township. These are described in the Narrative Description section and are shown on the USGS map. They are listed below:

- 1) From the point where the road reached the Catawba River at Nation Ford, a portion of the roadbed is visible heading east and north as a depression in the ground. This section of the road parallels the river for a short distance, skirts a small hill, then turns north and runs parallel to Banks Street for a distance. Recent industrial development has removed any additional traces of the road.

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2) The road is next visible at the south end of Brickyard Road, just west of its intersection with the Norfolk Southern rail line. It follows the current roadbed of Brickyard Road approximately 1.2 miles, passing the Spratt cemetery and ending at the intersection with Spratt Street (U. S. 21 Business).

3) Just to the north of the Fort Mill town limit, portions of the roadbed are visible as a depression passing just west of the William Elliott White House. This section continues north into the Anne Springs Close Greenway. It ends near the horse barns for the Greenway at the site of an old airplane landing strip, which destroyed evidences of the roadbed.

4) Just north of the old airstrip, the road reappears as a depression. It continues north and enters the waters of Lake Haigler, a man-made reservoir.

5) North of Lake Haigler, the road reappears. In this area the road is a clearly visible as a depression which rises to the hilltop, where it is incorporated into a modern dirt road . This road approaches Steele Creek, fords the creek, and climbs the hill on the north side. The old roadbed is visible to the north of Steele Creek, where it runs parallel to the modern dirt road. In this area, it presently serves as a trail which is part of the Anne Springs Close Greenway. Near the conference center of the Greenway, Nation Ford Road again serves as the roadbed for the modern dirt road. After traveling northeast for a distance, it veers to the north, where it is visible as a depression ending at the driveway for the Springfield Plantation house. The section of the roadbed north of Lake Haigler is the longest visible section, totaling approximately 1.25 miles.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The sections of Nation Ford Road which are selected include the only visible sections of the original roadbed in the Fort Mill Township of York County. The locations were verified from historic maps, property plats, and verbal descriptions of the road. Other sections of the road which are not included have been destroyed or heavily altered by urban or industrial development, or cannot be documented.

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PROPERTY OWNERS

Parcel 705-01	Hugh M. White , Jr., 2530 Sam White Road, Fort Mill, S. C. 29715
Parcel 706-01	Close Family Real Estate Partnership, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 730-07	Anne Springs Close, c/o Springs Company, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 712-03	Leroy Springs and Company, P. O. Box 1209, Fort Mill, S. C. 29716
Parcel 710-02	Close Family Real Estate Partnership #1, P. O. Drawer 460, Lancaster, S. C. 29721
Parcel 730-01	Leroy Springs and Company, P. O. Box 1209, Fort Mill, S. C. 29716

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LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS

NATION FORD ROAD – RESOURCES OF THE NATION FORD ROAD AREA

The following information pertains to each photograph:

Photographer:	William Steele Director, Anne Springs Close Greenway
Location of Disc:	S. C. Department of Archives and History
Date of Photography:	April 2006

The photographs are taken from north to south along the route of the road with photos from each of the five road segments.

<u>Photo Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Springfield Plantation (c.1806) is located along the road bed of Nation Ford Road. The house was listed in the National Register 9/12/85.
2	Evidence of Nation Ford Road is visible in the yard of Springfield. View looking south west from the side yard near existing driveway shows the depression of the roadbed heading to the south.
3	A view of Springfield Plantation.
4	View along the road bed depression looking north east toward Springfield.
5	View north east toward Springfield Plantation showing depression through wooded area.
6	View along access road into Greenway. This is the road bed of Nation Ford Road. Photo taken in front of offices of the Greenway. View is to south west.

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- 7 Section of the road bed of Nation Ford Road is used as an accessible trail within the Anne Springs Close Greenway. View is to south west.
- 8 Depression of old road bed of Nation Ford Road looking south west toward Steele Creek.
- 9 View from bank of Steele Creek looking uphill toward north east showing the road bed descending the hill.
- 10 Road bed crossing Steele Creek looking to west.
- 11 View along road to west of Steele Creek crossing. The road has turned in a southerly direction.
- 12 View of road bed leading down hill toward Lake Haigler with pedestrian bridge taking a trail over the road.
- 13 A portion of Segment 3 of the road. This is a view to the south showing the road as it heads toward the White Homestead and North White Street. At North White Street, the route of the road has been lost to urban development of the Town of Fort Mill.
- 14 View of the White Homestead (c. 1832), which was listed in the National Register 3/22/87. Photo is taken from the approximate location of the Nation Ford Road in the yard of the house near North White Street. View is to north east.
- 15 View of White Homestead from front. View is to north.
- 16 Additional view of White Homestead.
- 17 Additional view of White Homestead.
- 18 View of Segment 4 of Nation Ford Road. Photo is taken on south bank of Lake Hagler looking north across the lake to end of Segment 5 on the north bank.

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19 From the south bank of Lake Haigler looking south along depression of road bed leading up the hill.

20 Looking north on Segment 4 of the road bed leading downhill toward Lake Haigler.

Photos 21 through 26 on the disc are of the Spratt Cemetery and are described in that section of the Multiple Resource nomination.

27 Segment 2 of Nation Ford Road showing current Brickyard Road with a view to the south from in front of the Spratt Cemetery.

28 A view of Brickyard Road looking north toward the Town of Fort Mill.

29 Segment 1 of the Nation Ford Road. This view is of the depression of the road bed in a forested area south of Banks Street.

30 View of the depression of the road bed looking south toward the Catawba River.

31 View to south as road bed descends a hill to the flood plain of the Catawba River.

32 View to north from same position as photo # 31 showing road bed hill from river bottoms.

33 View to north along present utility right of way where road crosses as it nears present Banks Street.

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: RESUBMISSION

PROPERTY Nation Ford Road
NAME:

MULTIPLE Nation Ford Road Area MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: SOUTH CAROLINA, York

DATE RECEIVED: 1/16/07 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/01/07
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 00000593

DETAILED EVALUATION:

 ACCEPT RETURN REJECT DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

5 segments of the Nation Ford Rd. are
(6,000, 7,500, 1,250, 1,000, 7,000 feet in length)
being nominated. Road was importantly associated
with the rise of power and trading advantage
of the Catawba Tribe with early Anglo-Am.
traders, documented to have occurred as early as 1650. Later it was
an important route for settlements. Road
was also an important strategic point
during Am. Revolution and the Civil
War.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept A
REVIEWER JM Clifton DISCIPLINE _____
TELEPHONE _____ DATE 3/1/07

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR (Y)N



















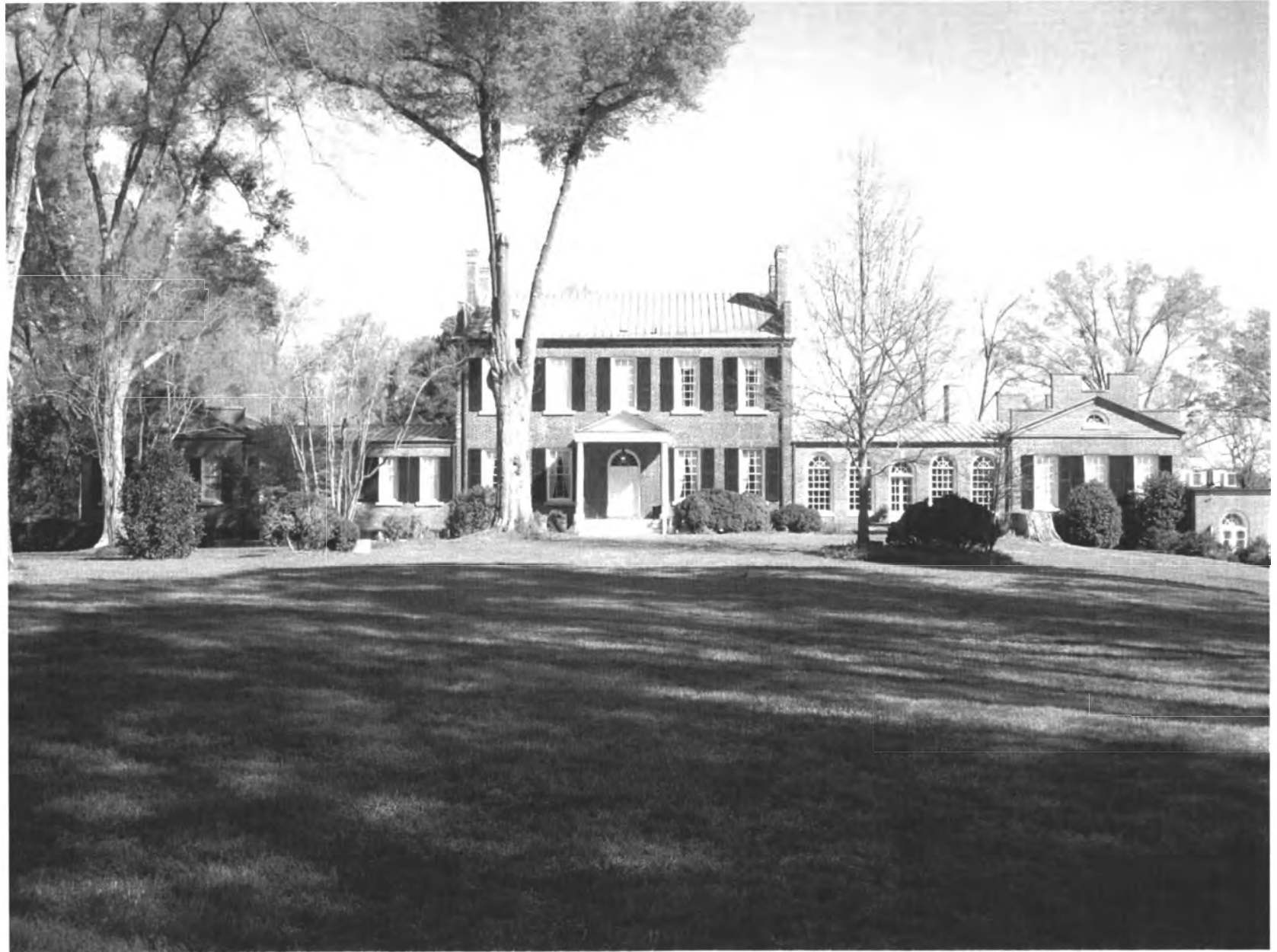


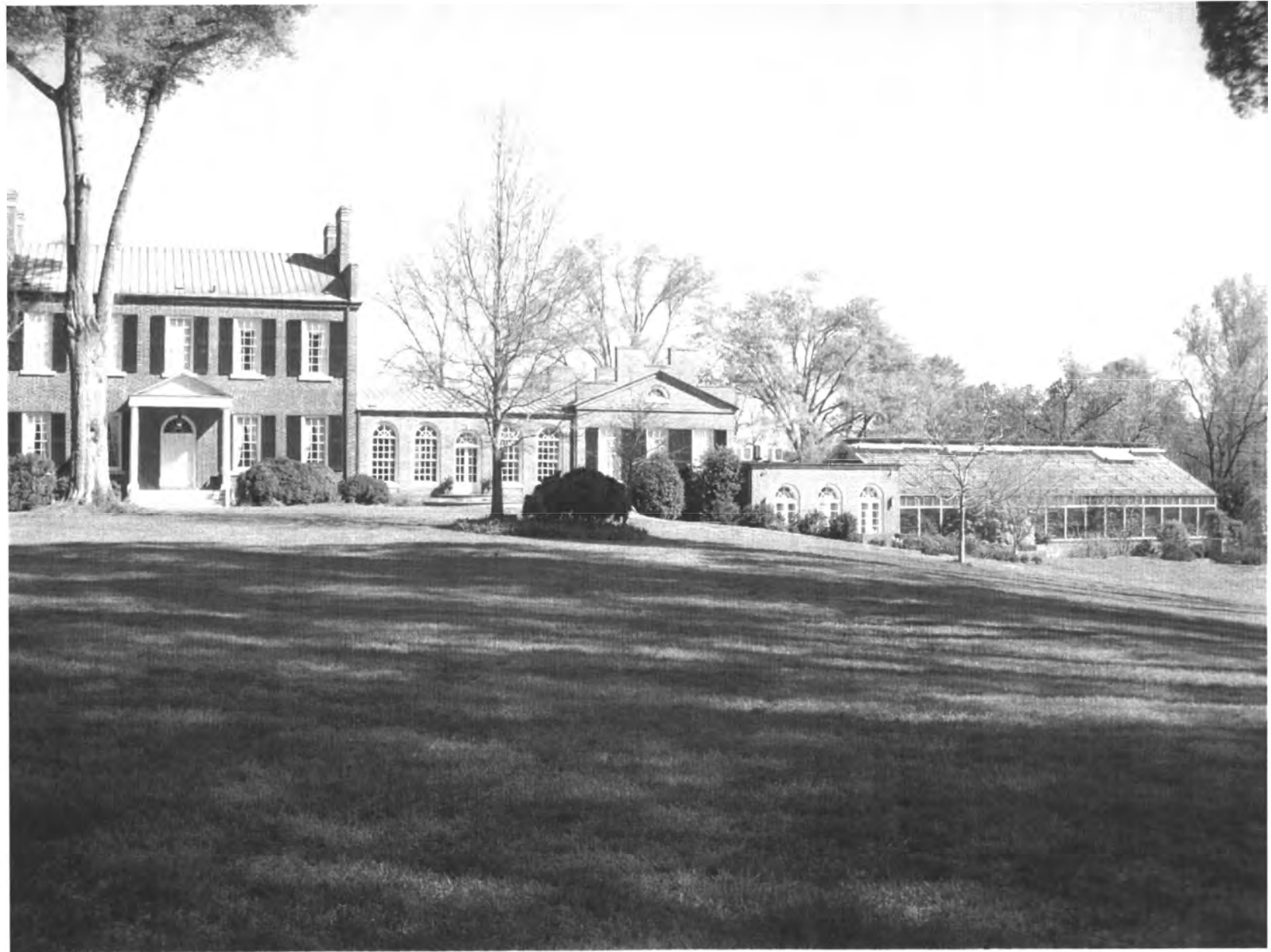












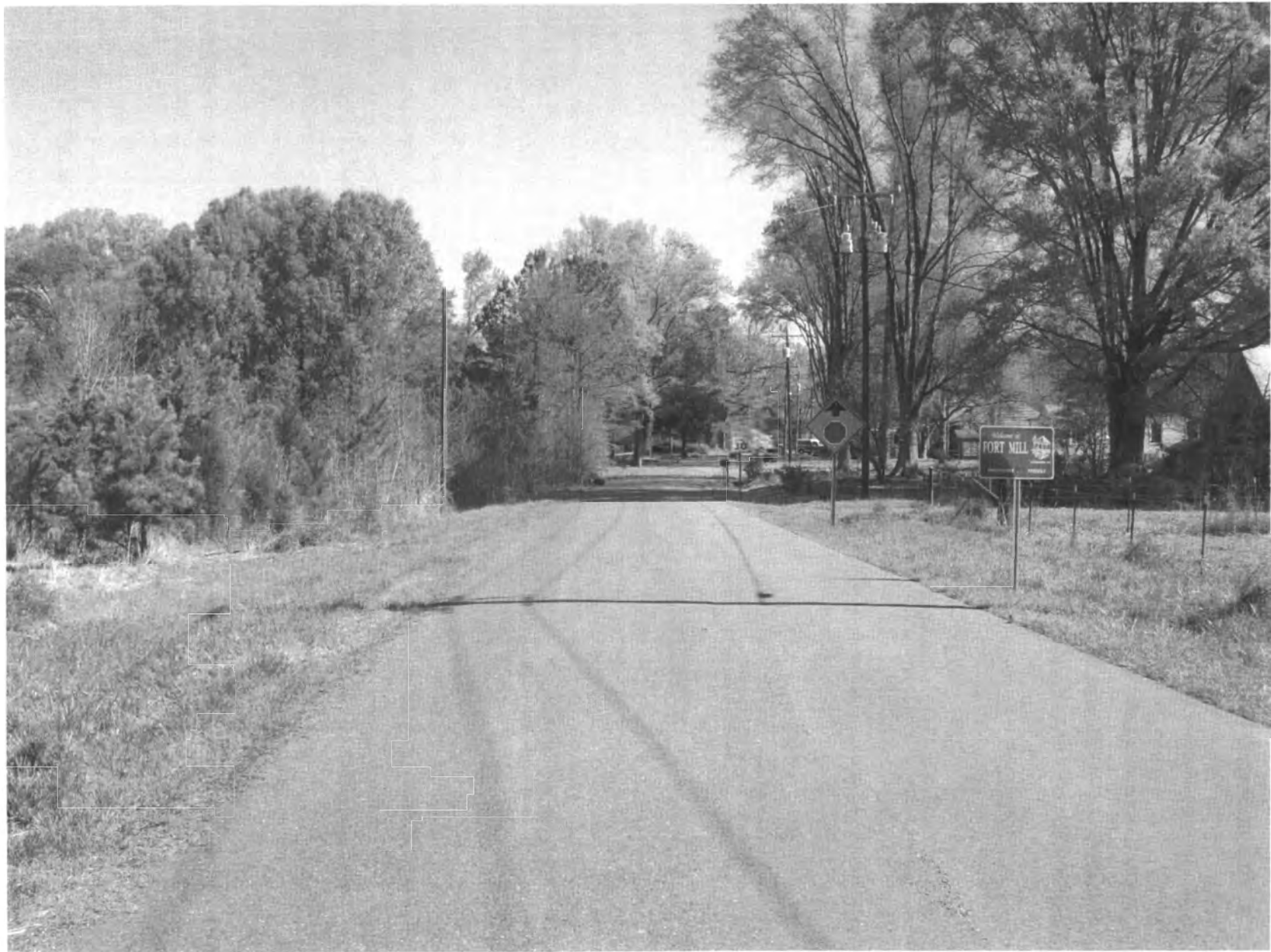






















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