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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Clemson College Sheep Barn

other names/site number

2. Location

street & number South Palmetto Boulevard, Clemson University

not for publication

city, town Clemson

vicinity

state South Carolina code SC

county Pickens

code 077

zip code 29634

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

- private
public-local
public-State
public-Federal

Category of Property

- building(s)
district
site
structure
object

Number of Resources within Property

Table with columns: Contributing, Noncontributing, buildings, sites, structures, objects, Total. Values: 1, 0.

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Clemson University, c. 1803-1940

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. See continuation sheet.

Mary W. Edmonds
Signature of certifying official

11/15/89
Date

Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy SHPO, SC Department of Archives & History, Columbia, SC
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

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

Entered in the National Register

M. J. Baker
Signature of the Keeper

1/4/90
Date of Action

for
Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

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**6. Function or Use**

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Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Education/CollegeAgriculture/Animal Facility

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Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Agriculture/Storage

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**7. Description**

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Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

No Style

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Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brickwalls BrickWoodroof Metalother 

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**Describe present and historic physical appearance.**

The Clemson College Sheep Barn is a single, rectangular block approximately two stories in height with a gabled, standing seam metal-sheathed roof supported by simple brackets on each gable end. The roof is surmounted by three square vented cupolas, capped by pyramidal roofs with similar sheathing and ball finials. The main facade, facing Palmetto Boulevard, is constructed of native clay brick, laid in English bond. The facade features, on the first floor, a central opening surmounted by a large timbered lintel, to which is attached a metal track for the large double-pile sliding wood barn door. Above this door is a weatherboarded section with a small window into the hayloft. The clapboard extends to cover the entire gable end, which is highlighted by a vented lozenge, a motif which, along with cupolas, is found on several agricultural buildings on campus. The two-story brick section wraps for approximately fifteen feet on either side elevation, the remainder of which is sheathed in weatherboard. The northeast elevation features a single-pile door, a wider door opening which has been closed with weatherboard, and nine window openings which have been shuttered with vertical boards. On the southwest elevation are at least ten window openings which have been shuttered similarly. The building's rear (southeast) facade is similar to the front, but with a garage-type door which replaced the original barn door. A single door is located to the large door's immediate right. Gable treatment on this end of the building is similar to that of the front.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally  statewide  locally

Applicable National Register Criteria  A  B  C  D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Education  
Architecture  
Agriculture

Period of Significance

c. 1915-1940

Significant Dates

c. 1915

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

Architect/Builder

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Clemson College Sheep Barn, built c. 1915, is significant as the earliest extant and relatively intact building associated with Clemson University's early Agricultural Department. The building's principal section was constructed of clay brick, which was probably handmade at the brick plant nearby and matches the brick of the University's Trustee House and Kinard Annex. It is similar in style and form to a dairy barn, the first barn on campus, which burned, was rebuilt, and later altered.(1) The sheep barn, now used only for storage, retains its integrity of materials, setting, feeling, and association.

(1) "Clemson University Subject File: Campus Buildings," Special Collections, Robert M. Cooper Library, Clemson University, Clemson, S.C.

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**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 # \_\_\_\_\_

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**Primary location of additional data:**

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

**Specify repository:**

Special Collections, Robert M. Cooper Library, Clemson University

**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreeage of property** Less than one acre

**UTM References**

A 1 7 3 3 2 3 0 0 3 8 3 8 5 2 0  
 Zone Easting Northing

C \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zone Easting Northing

D \_\_\_\_\_

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**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary of the nomination is shown as the black line labelled "Clemson College Sheep Barn" on the accompanying map, "Campus Map of Clemson University," drawn at a scale of 1" = 200'.

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**Boundary Justification**

The nominated property includes the historic barn and its immediate setting.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

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

Name of property: Clemson College Sheep Barn (Historic Resources  
of Clemson University, c. 1803 - 1940)  
Location of property: Clemson University, Pickens County, South  
Carolina  
Photographer: Martin A. Davis, College of Architecture, Clemson  
University  
Location of negative: Clemson University

Additional information for each photograph follows:

1. Clemson College Sheep Barn  
1988  
Facade (northwest elevation); view looking southeast.
2. Clemson College Sheep Barn  
October 1985  
Oblique view of northwest and southwest elevations; looking  
southeast
3. Clemson College Sheep Barn  
October 1985  
Northeast elevation; view looking southwest.