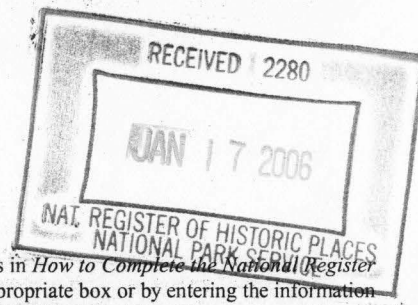


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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 an 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 Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm

other names/site number Site #PH0285

2. Location

street & number 1335 Phillips County Road 249

☐ not for publication

city or town Lexa

☒ vicinity

state Arkansas code AR county Phillips code 107 zip code 72355

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 for 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.)

Cecile Matthews
Signature of certifying official/Title

11/12/05
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

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 certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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:)

for
Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Edson H. Beall

3/2/06

Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm

Name of Property

Phillips County, Arkansas

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- ☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ 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 count.)

Contributing

Noncontributing

3

1

buildings

1

sites

1

structures

objects

5

1

Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Get Down the Shovel and the Hoe!: Cotton and Rice Farm
History and Architecture in the Arkansas Delta, 1900-1955

Number of Contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/processing

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/animal facility

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/agricultural

outbuilding

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/agricultural field

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/agricultural

outbuilding

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/agricultural field

AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/horticultural facility

OTHER/art studio

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER/Plain Traditional

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE

walls WOOD

roof ASPHALT

other

Narrative Description

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

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SUMMARY

The Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is located on Phillips County Road 249 northeast of Lexa in rural Phillips County. The farm complex consists of the main house, barn, shed, well and sorghum mill, studio and associated farm plantings. The farm buildings were built in the early 1950s, and their construction was overseen by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). The Ford Farm has remained under the ownership of the Ford family since its construction and is still actively farmed by their son, Alonzo.

ELABORATION

Located northeast of Lexa on Phillips County Road 249 in rural Phillips County, Arkansas, the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is representative of a small mid-twentieth-century family farm. The farm complex consists of the main farmhouse, barn, shed, well and sorghum mill, studio and associated landscaping. Most of the farm buildings, with the exception of the studio, were built in the early 1950s and their construction was overseen by the FHA. Although both Henry and Cornelia Ford have passed away, the farm is now in the ownership of their son, Alonzo Ford.

The buildings on the farm are wood frame and the house has weatherboard siding while the barn has board and batten siding and the shed has vertical board siding. (The modern studio is sided in plastic tarp material.) The house rests on a concrete pier foundation and has an asphalt-covered gable roof. The outbuildings, on the other hand, rest on unknown foundations and have metal gable roofs.

The property's associated landscape, which is centered around the house and outbuildings, consists of pecan trees around the buildings and lining the drive that were planted c.1955 by Henry Ford. In addition, an orchard planted c.1990 and extensive flower garden, both planted by Alonzo Ford, illustrate the growth and change of the landscape over time.

House (Contributing)

Front/East Façade

The front façade of the house has a gable-fronted porch projecting from the southern half. A set of five concrete steps leads up to the front entrance on the porch and the porch roof is supported by two square wood posts at each of the front corners. The front entrance with wood door and screen door is on the right side of the porch and a single metal-framed, two-over-two window is to the entrance's left. To the right of the porch is a single metal-framed, two-over-two window.

A louvered attic vent is located in the gable peak of the front façade.

Side/North Façade

The north side of the house, beginning at the east end, is fenestrated by a single metal-framed, two-over-two window followed by a smaller metal-framed, two-over-two window. The rest of the façade is fenestrated by three evenly spaced metal-framed, two-over-two windows.

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Rear/West Façade

The left side of the rear façade is fenestrated by a single metal-framed, two-over-two window. The right side of the façade is comprised of the west end of the screened-in porch. As on the front façade, a louvered attic vent is located in the gable peak of the façade.

Side/South Façade

The left side of the south façade is occupied by the screened-in porch, which has a door on the right side accessed by four concrete steps. To the right of the entrance are three evenly spaced windows. The left window is a small metal-framed, two-over-two window, which is followed by two larger metal-framed, two-over-two windows.

Barn (Contributing)

The barn is located to the northwest of the house and is currently used for storage. The east and west façades of the barn have a large door on the ground floor to provide access to the interior with a smaller door providing access to the hayloft above. A single window is located to the south of each door to provide light and ventilation to the interior. The north side of the barn has a covered open area that allows storage of farm equipment. The south side of the barn is obscured by vegetation.

Shed (Contributing)

The shed is located to the west of the house and to the southeast of the barn. It is a small structure used for storage and is largely obscured by vegetation. The shed has a wood door in the center of the east façade and the roof overhangs the south side of the building providing some shelter to the fenced in area to the south.

Studio (Non-contributing)

The studio is a small rectangular structure located to the northwest of the farmhouse and to the northeast of the barn. The site used to be where the farm's henhouse stood. The studio is sided in plastic tarp material and features a shallow gable roof. Windows are present on the west façade and the entrance is located on the south façade.

Sorghum Mill/Well (Contributing)

The sorghum mill is an oval shaped metal machine currently located on top of the property's well. A shield-shaped plaque on top of the mill reads "ROSE LYON HDW. CO./LITTLE ROCK, ARK." A metal plunger-like rod with a handle on top sticks out of the top of the mill and a spout is located on the side.

The well that the mill currently sits on is marked by a concrete pad.

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Landscape (Contributing)

The landscape around the farm buildings retains several pecan trees that were raised from seed and planted by Henry Ford shortly after the farm buildings were constructed. The pecan trees are scattered around the house and also line both sides of the driveway from Phillips County Road 249 to the house. Alonzo Ford has also made his mark on the landscape of the property by planting an orchard to the west of the house c.1990 and also by currently cultivating an extensive flower garden. Although these two landscape features were done outside the period of significance they still illustrate the evolution of the landscape over time as the family has evolved.

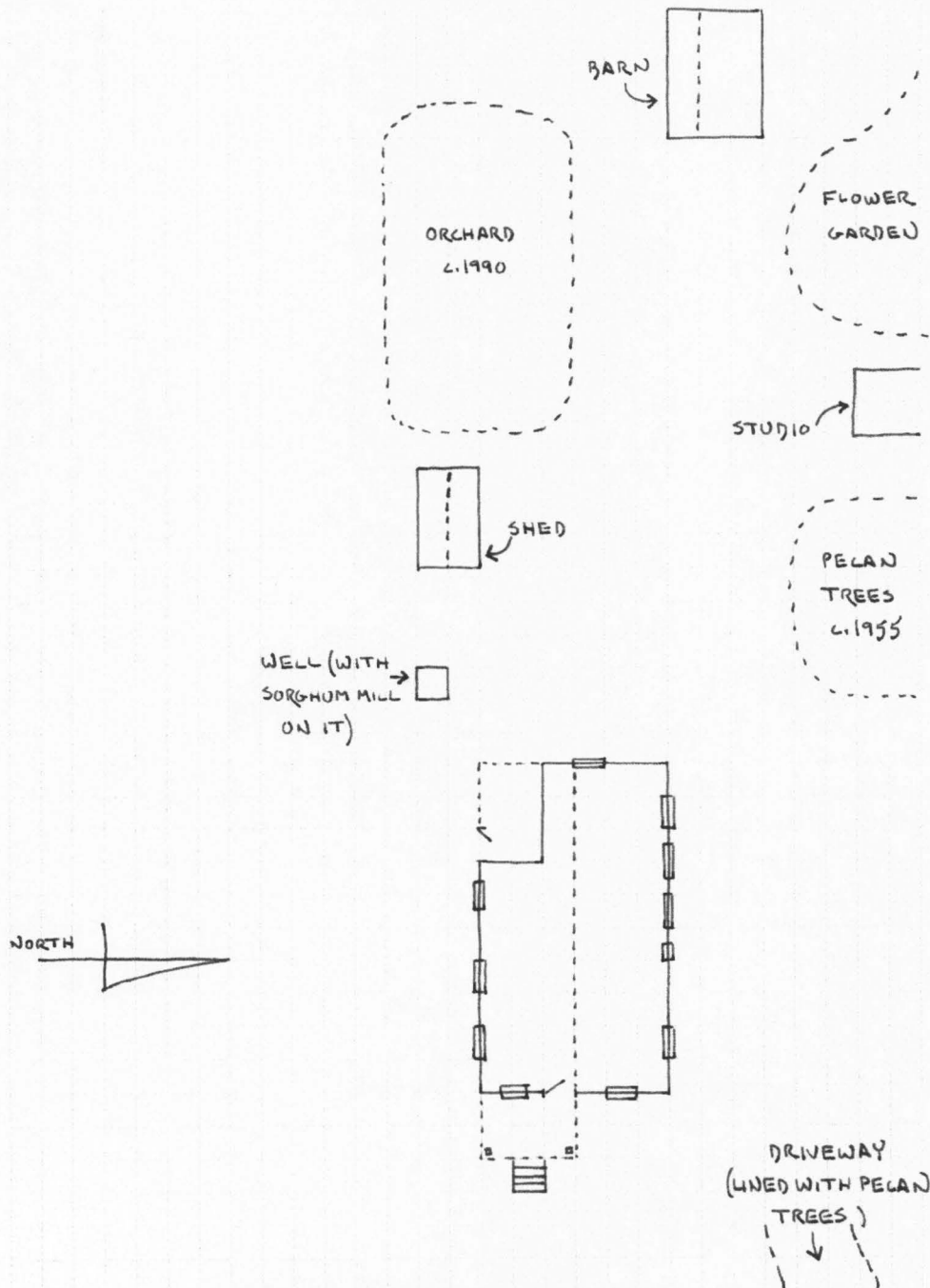
Integrity

Overall, the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm has excellent integrity. Alterations to the buildings and structures on the property over the years have been minor and include the demolition of the henhouse and the construction of a small studio. In addition, the sorghum mill was moved on top of the well. The farm also retains landscape features that were planted by Henry Ford shortly after the farm buildings were built, giving a fuller picture of mid-twentieth-century farm life and design. The Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is still located in a rural agricultural setting in Phillips County, and the setting still reflects the area's setting from the 1950s when the farm was developed. The Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is an excellent representation of a mid-twentieth-century family farm and very easily conveys its original 1950s appearance.

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Site plan of the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm

Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm
Name of Property

Phillips County, Arkansas
County and State

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** birthplace or grave of a historical figure of outstanding importance.
- ☐ **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.

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 # _____

Levels of Significance (local, state, national)

LOCAL

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

AGRICULTURE

ETHNIC HERITAGE/Black

Period of Significance

c.1950-1956

Significant Dates

c.1950-1956

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked)

Cultural Affiliation (Complete if Criterion D is marked)

Architect/Builder

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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SUMMARY

The Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm, which was built c.1950, is representative of the small-scale family farms found throughout the Arkansas Delta in the twentieth century. The farm is comprised of the farm house, barn, shed, studio, and a sorghum mill/well. In addition to its buildings, the farm still retains some of its original plantings, notably pecan trees scattered around the property and lining the driveway. Henry and Cornelia Ford were African-Americans who came to Lexa in the 1940s, and were able to develop the farm into a virtually self-sufficient enterprise. The Fords grew several types of produce on the farm, including all kinds of fruit and vegetables, hay and cotton, along with raising farm animals. The farm remains in the family today, and illustrates the evolution of the farm from the time of its construction to the present day.

As an intact example of a small-scale twentieth-century farm in the Lexa vicinity, the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places with **local significance** under **Criterion C**. The Ford Farm is also being nominated to the National Register with **local significance** under **Criterion A** for its associations with the role of agriculture and African-American history in the development of Phillips County. The nomination for the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is being submitted under the multiple-property listing "Get Down the Shovel and the Hoe!: Cotton and Rice Farm History and Architecture in the Arkansas Delta, 1900-1955."

ELABORATION

Phillips County was created by an act of the Arkansas territorial legislature on May 1, 1820, and named after Sylvanus Phillips, a pioneer settler and one of the original owners of the site of Helena. Soon after Phillips County was created, the county seat was established at Helena, which was named after Sylvanus Phillips' daughter, and c.1821 Nicholas Rightor, an early settler and surveyor, laid out the town of Helena on land belonging to Sylvanus Phillips and William Russell.¹

From the very beginning, agriculture was a large part of Phillips County's economy. The *Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Eastern Arkansas* stated that, "Agriculturally speaking, Phillips County ranks equal to any in the state. The broad Mississippi in the southern part, interspersed with small, old lakes and bayous, is remarkably fertile. In the western part, watered by Big Creek, there is a large body of level land formed by the gradual flattening out of the Crowley's Ridge..."²

By the time of the 1880 census there were 1,311 farms in Phillips County with 85,379 acres of improved land, and the variety of crops grown was staggering, including cotton, Indian corn, oats, wheat, potatoes (both Irish and sweet), and tobacco. Sources indicate that, "The entire value of all the farm products raised in the county in 1879 were calculated at \$1,548,538... Cotton stands pre-eminently at the head [29,070 bales],

¹ *Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Eastern Arkansas*. Chicago: The Goodspeed Publishing Co., 1890, p. 739.

² *Ibid*, p. 742.

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Indian corn next [332,585 bushels], all the other products, except sweet potatoes [21,956 bushels], being very limited.”³

The fertility of the land in Phillips County and the need for farm laborers caused the county’s population to grow dramatically. In 1820, the county’s population was 1,197, but by 1880 it had soared to 21,253, which included 5,444 whites and 15,809 blacks.⁴ The situation in Phillips County was similar to many areas of eastern Arkansas in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries which attracted people from outside the state hoping to make a living.

Among the people who came to Arkansas in the first part of the 1900s was Henry Ford and his family and the family of his future wife, Cornelia. Ford was born c.1890 in Scottsboro, Alabama, and Cornelia was also born in Scottsboro in 1900. In the early 1920s, their families migrated from Scottsboro to Lonoke looking for work and better opportunities than they had in Alabama. In April 1923, Henry and Cornelia were married in Lonoke.⁵

By the 1940s the Fords had moved to Lexa where Henry got odd jobs sharecropping. Lexa and nearby Southland, where the Fords would eventually buy land, were rural communities centered around the farming activities in the area. Lexa had been founded c.1880 as Lexington, likely when the railroad line was constructed through the area, and the name was changed to Lexa in 1885. Southland was founded around the same time, and had a post office established in 1889. (The post office would close in 1925 with the mail going to Lexa afterwards.)⁶ Both communities have remained small, and remain agriculturally centered today.

In 1944, the Fords had saved enough money that they were able to buy some farmland to the northeast of Lexa near the Southland community, and they were able to purchase the land without borrowing any money from the bank, which was quite a feat for the time.⁷ After the Fords purchased the land, they quickly got to work making it productive.

The Fords grew several types of produce on the farm, including all kinds of fruit and vegetables, hay and cotton. They also planted pecan trees on the property c.1955 that remain today. In addition to growing fruits and vegetables on the farm, the Fords also raised cows, hogs, chickens, and ducks. The crops and animals raised on the farm allowed the Fords to be virtually self-sufficient and it also allowed them to generate

³ *Ibid*, p. 743.

⁴ *Ibid*, p. 741.

⁵ Alonzo Ford. Interview with the author. 25 August 2005.

⁶ Russell Pierce Baker. *From Memdag to Norsk: A Historical Directory of Arkansas Post Offices, 1832-1971*. Hot Springs, AR: Arkansas Genealogical Society, 1988, pp. 130, 206.

⁷ Alonzo Ford. Interview with the author. 25 August 2005.

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income by selling produce that they had raised on the farm. They took the produce, milk, and butter that they made and sold it in West Helena. The beans and spinach that they raised on the farm was used by a local canning operation. Cornelia also canned a lot of the vegetables that they grew to help them be as self-sufficient as possible.⁸

To supplement the income from the farm, Ford did other odd jobs around the community. For example, Ford purchased a sorghum mill and cooked sorghum molasses for the community. For every four gallons of molasses produced, he kept one gallon as his payment. In addition, Ford did carpentry, built fireplaces for people in the community and repaired shoes to bring in income.⁹

The way that the Fords ran their farm and the way that they were able to be virtually self-sufficient got the attention of the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), which had been formed in 1934 to spur home construction and home ownership. The FHA came to the Fords' farm to learn how Henry farmed and how Cornelia canned so that the information could be passed on to other farmers to improve their methods of farming. The FHA also played a role when the Ford's farmhouse and outbuildings were built in 1951.¹⁰

When the Fords were prepared to have their home built on the farm, the FHA oversaw its construction, and it was the first FHA-built home constructed in the Southland Community. Prior to its construction, the FHA took the Fords to see other FHA-built homes in Lexa and Lakeview, which is approximately fifteen miles southwest of Lexa. This allowed the Fords to see the kinds of homes that the FHA built to see if the house would meet their needs.¹¹ The house that the Fords had built was perfect for the needs of the Fords and their four children then living at home (there were thirteen children total in the family), and it included a large pantry to hold all of Cornelia's canning.¹²

After the construction of the house in the early 1950s, the Fords continued to be a prominent family in the community. They donated the land for the Spring Lake Church, which was built just south of the Southland Community, and also put money into the construction of a cotton gin in the local area. Ford was able to live in the house and work on the farm another ten years until his death in 1961. Cornelia outlived him for 34 years until she passed away in 1995.

⁸ Alonzo Ford. Interviews with the author. 20 July and 25 August 2005.

⁹ Alonzo Ford. Interview with the author. 25 August 2005.

¹⁰ Alonzo Ford. Interview with the author. 25 August 2005 and information on the Federal Housing Administration found at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/fhahistory.cfm>.

¹¹ Alonzo Ford. Interview with the author. 25 August 2005.

¹² *Ibid.*

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The property is now owned and lived in by their son, Alonzo. He continues to do some farming on the property and his mark is visible on the landscape. He planted an orchard to the west of the house c.1990, and also maintains an extensive flower garden. In addition to continuing his family's agricultural tradition, Alonzo Ford is also an artist and has built a small studio in the vicinity of where the hen house used to stand. Even though Alonzo has made some changes to the property, it still very much reflects the period of its construction in the early 1950s.

The Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm remains today as an important part of Arkansas's African-American, agricultural and architectural heritage. The farm is a good example of a small-scale, mid-twentieth-century family farm with the main house, outbuildings, and landscape plantings. In addition, for its associations with the agricultural past of the Lexa and Southland areas of Phillips County, the Henry and Cornelia Ford Farm is an important reminder of agriculture's role in Phillips County's and Arkansas's development.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm
Name of Property

Phillips County, Arkansas
County and State

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Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm

Name of Property

Phillips County, Arkansas

County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Approximately 5.25 acres.

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 15 710146 3833098
 Zone Easting Northing
2 _____

3 _____ _____ _____
 Zone Easting Northing
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

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state AR

zip code 72201

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 Alonzo Ford

street & number 1335 Phillips County Road 249

telephone _____

city or town Lexa

state AR

zip code 72355

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Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm
Name of Property

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

From the northwest corner of the Highway 242 and Phillips County Road 249 intersection, proceed northerly for 6,865 feet along the west side of Phillips County Road 249 to the point of beginning. From the point of beginning, proceed northerly 310 feet along the west side of Phillips County Road 249, thence proceed westerly 745 feet perpendicular to Phillips County Road 249, thence proceed southerly 310 feet parallel to Phillips County Road 249, thence proceed easterly 745 feet perpendicular to Phillips County Road 249 to the point of beginning.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

This boundary includes the farm buildings of the Ford Farm and their immediate setting that retains integrity.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm
NAME:

MULTIPLE Cotton and Rice Farm History and Architecture in the Arkansa
NAME: s Delta MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Phillips

DATE RECEIVED: 1/17/06 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/03/06
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/18/06 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/02/06
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 06000085

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 3/2/06 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

SOUTH AND WEST FACADES OF THE HOUSE LOOKING NORTHEAST



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

WEST FACADE OF THE BARN LOOKING NORTHEAST



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

NORTH AND EAST FACADES OF THE BARN LOOKING SOUTHWEST



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

SOUTH AND EAST FACADES OF THE SHED, LOOKING NORTHWEST



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

VIEW OF THE SORGHUM MILL / WELL



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

ELIZABETH JAMES

JULY 2005 .

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

SOUTH AND EAST FAZADES OF THE HOUSE, LOOKING NORTHWEST



FORD FARM

PHILLIPS COUNTY, AR

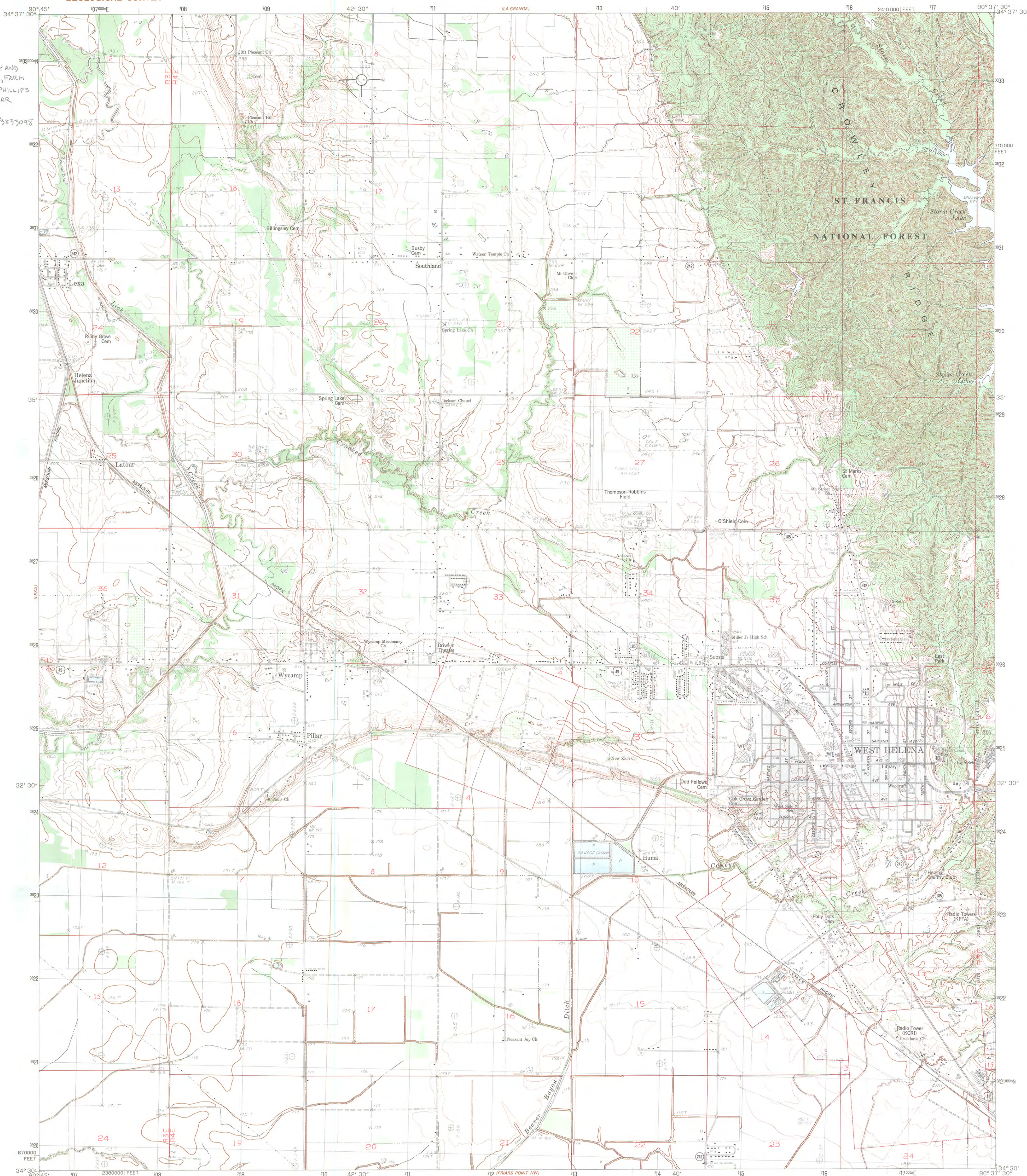
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ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM, LITTLE ROCK, AR

NORTH AND EAST FACADES OF THE HOUSE LOOKING SOUTHWEST

FORD, HENRY AND
CORNELIA, FARM
LEXA VIC., PHILLIPS
COUNTY, AR
UTM:
15 710146 3833098



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and NOS/NOAA
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1977. Field checked 1978. Map edited 1982
Projection and 10,000-foot grid ticks: Arkansas coordinate
system, south zone (Lambert conformal conic)
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid, zone 15
1927 North American Datum
To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983
move the projection lines 8 meters south and
10 meters east as shown by dashed corner ticks
There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of
the National or State reservations shown on this map
Gray tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown

UTM GRID AND 1982 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

SCALE 1:24 000
1 000 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET
1 0 5 10 KILOMETER
CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 AND 10 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

10 FEET
5 FEET
CONTOUR INTERVAL
QUADRANGLE LOCATION

PROVISIONAL MAP
Produced from original
manuscript drawings. Informa-
tion shown as of date of
field check.

ROAD LEGEND
Improved Road
Unimproved Road
Trail
Interstate Route U. S. Route State Route

WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS
PROVISIONAL EDITION 1982

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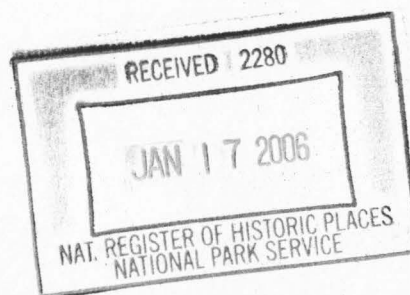
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December 7, 2005

Dr. Janet Matthews
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RE: Ford, Henry and Cornelia, Farm – Lexa vic., Phillips
County, Arkansas

Dear Dr. Matthews:

We are enclosing for your review the above-referenced nomination. The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program has complied with all applicable nominating procedures and notification requirements in the nomination process.

If you need further information, please call Ralph S. Wilcox of my staff at (501) 324-9787. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Cathie Matthews
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosure