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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Hickory Valley Historic District is located in the northwest corner of the town of Walterboro, the county seat of Colleton County in the Lowcountry of South Carolina. Residential in character, the district contains four properties of particular historical or architectural significance and fifteen supporting properties. Approximately 75 percent of the buildings were constructed prior to 1930. Most of the buildings were constructed between 1821 and 1929 and reflect the architectural characteristics of that period. The majority of the buildings in the Hickory Valley Historic District have been continuously used and have been kept in good repair.

Key properties contributing to the character of the historic district:

- Paul House, 120 Paul Street. A one story frame residence, weatherboarded, built ca. 1847 by Jonathan Lucas for James Lawrence Paul. The house has a T-shaped plan and a Greek Revival portico, with four paneled pillars and a blank tympanum. The front door surround has pilasters and a full entablature. The property includes a nineteenth century servant's residence.
- 2. Klein House, 421 Wichman Street. A two and one-half story Federal Revival residence, designed by Bensant and Barbot, Charleston architects; in 1929. The building is weatherboarded, with a five bay facade. The centered entrance has a tabernacle surround, with a broken pediment resting on foliated consoles, which rest in turn on fluted Composite pilasters. A round headed doorway has a traceried fanlight. Multi-paned sidelights are detached from the doorway. A denticulated cornice extends under the eaves of the standing seam tin roof. Three dormers, with arched windows and tabernacle surrounds, pierce the roof.
- 4. Elmore-Henderson House, 527 Wichman Street. A two story weatherboarded residence built ca. 1821 for the Honorable F. H. Elmore, U.S. Senator. The building has a brick basement and a one story shed roofed veranda, supported by Tuscan colonnettes. The building has a five bay facade and a standing seam metal roof. The centered entrance has an elliptical fanlight and full length sidelights.
- 10. Edward B. Fishburne House, 201 Webb Street. Built ca. 1829 by Edward F. Fishburne, this gable-roof frame residence is sheathed in weatherboard, with a metal roof and a shed roofed veranda supported by four square pillars. The five bay facade has a central doorway, with an elliptical fanlight and sidelights. The interior has Federal period mantels, wainscoting, and woodwork.

Other properties contributing to the character of the historic district:

- 3. 507 Wichman Street. Built ca. 1925, this one story frame house has a gable roof, extended to cover the bungalow porch. Wooden pillars on brick piers support the porch roof. The building is sheathed in weatherboard.
- 6. No address. Open wooded lot.
- 7. Beck-Savage House, 203 Witsell Street. The original portion of this house was built ca. 1850, and has been enlarged several times since. The building is one story, weatherboarded, with six tapered square pillars on brick piers supporting

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8. Significance



Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Hickory Valley Historic District, located in the northwest corner of the town of Walterboro, South Carolina, is comprised of nineteen properties reflecting the diversity of Walterboro's heritage. The majority of the buildings in the area are residences, constructed between 1821 and 1929, and include a concentration of early homes dating from Walterboro's heyday as a pineland resort village for lowcountry planters. Historically, the area is important for its associations with Walterboro's founders as well as with several generations of prominent Walterboro families.

Local tradition, supported by the diary of Eliza Clitherall, an early summer resident, suggests that Walterboro was founded in 1784 by Paul and Jacob Walter, who sought a healthy climate away from the malarial swamps of the Lowcountry. The brothers finally settled along the edges of a small valley thickly planted with hickory and pine trees. Their modest summer cottages soon became the nucleus of a thriving summer resort.

The Hickory Valley Historic District takes its name from that thicket which became known as Hickory Valley and is loosely bounded by present day Webb Street to the north, Verdier Street to the east, Valley Street and the Bethel Presbyterian Church to the south, and Witsell Street to the west. Hickory Valley eventually came to be used as a sort of town commons for military drills, political meetings and recreation.

In addition to their architectural merit, many of the buildings in the district are associated with some of Walterboro's oldest and most prominent citizens. Among these are the Paul House, built in 1847 for James Lawrence Paul and subsequently purchased by his brother Sampson, a Colleton County planter; the Elmore-Henderson House, built in 1821 by Franklin Harper Elmore, United States Congressman from 1836 to 1839, United States Senator in 1850, active supporter of the nullification doctrine, and disciple of John C. Calhoun; the Edward B. Fishburne House, built by Edward B. Fishburne, who also owned lands in the outlying county, in 1829; and the Dent-Henderson House, probably built between 1834 and 1838 as a summer retreat by Jenkins Jones. Other prominent planter families associated with Hickory Valley included the Webbs and Savages.

<u>Architecture</u>: The Hickory Valley Historic District includes several of the earliest and most prominent houses of Walterboro, representing the major residential styles of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The Edward B. Fishburne House (#10) is an example of the smaller Federal style house. The Paul House (#1) is a local interpretation of the Greek Revival Style. The house at 334 Wichman Street (#22) exemplifies the role of the Victorian carpenter in architectural decoration. The house at 125 Magnolia Street (#11) and the rebuilt Dent-Henderson House (#23) represent the Neo-classicism of the early twentieth century. The Klein House (#2) is a fine Federal Revival dwelling. The houses of Hickory Valley are tied together by the aged trees of the landscaped yards and the open wooded properties.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundary of the Hickory Valley Historic District nomination is shown as the red line on the accompanying map entitled "Hickory Valley Historic District" and drawn at a scale of 400 feet to the inch. The nominated property includes the largest concentration of

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the gabled porch roof. The house is set back from the street on a landscaped tract, with several outbuildings, including a weatherboarded servant's cabin and an octagonal gazebo with latticed sides.

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- 8. Corner of Witsell Street and Ivanhoe Drive. A small frame residence, originally the guest house for the Beck-Savage House (#7). It was moved to this location ca. 1960.
- 11. 125 Magnolia Street. A two story frame house with two tiers of veranda, with a superimposed portico of two colossal Ionic columns on brick bases, supporting a pediment. The lower veranda is supported by paired wooden columns on brick bases, while the upper veranda has single columns. The house has a pyramidal roof of standing seam metal. The residence was built ca. 1905.
- 13. Beach-Fogartie House, 102 Webb Street. Built ca. 1910, this one and one-half story residence is sheathed in weatherboard, with a hip roof. The entrance has a small pedimented portico, and the door has an elliptical fanlight.
- 15. 202 Webb Street. A one story frame residence, sheathed in weatherboard, with a jerkinhead roof, central hooded chimney, and a small vaulted entrance porch. The house was built ca. 1930.
- 16. 205 Valley Street. Built ca. 1920, this one and one-half story frame house has a gable roof extending over the front porch, with a quadruple window in the gable end. Six wooden pillars support the porch roof.
- 17. 150 Paul Street. A one-story, frame, weatherboarded cottage, with a metal gabled roof extended over the facade to shelter a porch. The residence was built ca. 1920.
- 18. 305 Wichman Street. A one story frame residence, with a standing seam metal gable roof and a shed roofed veranda, supported by six wooden posts with sawn brackets. The entrance, centered in the five bay facade, has a transom and sidelights. The house was built ca. 1890.
- 19. Corner of Paul Street and Wichman Street. Vacant lot.
- 20. Murray-deTreville House, 302 Wichman Street. A one story frame residence, built ca. 1920 by John Lucas for his daughter Ruby Murray, this building has a standing seam metal roof with a cross gable forming a portico over the entrance.
- 21. 318 Wichman Street. A one story frame residence, with a rear section built ca. 1890, and a front section built ca. 1930. The house has a metal gabled roof, with a small cross gable projecting over the entrance. A porch on the right side of the house connects the two sections of the building.
- 22. 334 Wichman Street. This one story frame residence was built ca. 1910. A veranda is supported by turned posts with sawn brackets; a balustrade with turned balusters connects the posts. The hip roof has a central cross gable, with an arched louvered vent and fish-scale shingles. The entrance has a transom and sidelights framing the door.

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23. Dent-Henderson House, 418 Wichman Street. Originally a one story dwelling, this house was extensively rebuilt in 1935 as a two story building. A semicircular portico has four colossal Ionic columns with oversize Scamozzi capitals. A one story veranda extends to the left and right of the portico. The front hall and the two front rooms of the house retain the hewn timbers and pegged construction of the early house.

Properties which do not contribute to the character of the historic district:

- 5. No address, Ivanhoe Drive. Residence, under construction 1980.
- 9. Charles H. Esdorn Clinic, 109 Webb Street. A masonry and frame building, originally constructed ca. 1915 and substantially enlarged and rebuilt ca. 1940.
- 12. No address, Miller Street. A contemporary one and one-half story Colonial Revival residence, built of brick.
- 14. 307 Heyward Street. A ca. 1960 Colonial Revival residence.

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Jones-McDaniel House, 418 Wichman Street. Originally a one story house, probably 23. built by Jenkins Jones ca. 1835, this house was substantially altered in 1935 by the McDaniels. A semicircular portico has four colossal Ionic columns with oversize Scamozzi capitals. A one story veranda extends to the left and right of the portico. The front hall and the two front rooms of the house retain the hewn timbers and pegged construction of the early house.

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