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NOMINATION FORM

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Name Historic Smith Barn

Common

Owner A. C. Smith
Box 64
Lake View, SC 29563

Location East side of dirt road, ¼ mi. south of secondary road 17-34 and ½ mi. north of secondary road 17-155. Dirt road is 1 mi. west of intersection of secondary road 17-155 and 17-22 (Dillon County)

Classification

Representation in Existing Surveys

South Carolina Inventory of Historic Places, 1983

Description

Five-"room" wooden barn with metal-covered gable roof. Foundation is brick. Walls up to eaves are hewn timbers and mortar. Gable ends are weatherboarded and contain rectangular openings with wooden doors. Metal-roofed sheds supported by wooden posts are attached to the facade and left and right elevations. Facade and rear elevation have wood plank (1" x 6") doors. There is a brick double arched firebox on the left elevation. Original flues used for ventilation are still in place.

Significance

Virtually unaltered since its construction in 1942 by J. L. King (date and name scratched in chinking on facade), the Smith Barn is an excellent example of the tobacco barns built in Marion and Dillon Counties between ca. 1895 and the 1950s.

Acreage .43 acres

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property is shown as the red line on the accompanying Dillon County Tax Map #109, drawn at a scale of 1 inch = 400 feet. This boundary includes only the historic building and its immediate setting.

UTM Reference Point

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Other Information

Although the Smith Barn is less than fifty years old, it is of exceptional importance. Traditional tobacco barns are rapidly disappearing historic resources. The great majority of the barns that remain have lost important features either through alterations or deterioration. The Smith Barn, however, retains all of the basic characteristics of a traditional barn and was the most intact barn identified in the two counties.

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The Smith Barn is an extremely fragile resource. It is no longer used as a tobacco barn and it is likely that the barn will either be significantly altered for another use or will deteriorate from lack of maintenance unless its preservation is encouraged.