

BEAUFORT COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITES SURVEY - 1997

INTENSIVE LEVEL SITE INVENTORY FORM

Statewide Survey Site Form  
State Historic Preservation Office  
South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
Columbia, SC

Site Number: U - 13 - 301.02

Brockington Associates, Inc. • Brooker Architectural Design Consultants  
Historic Beaufort Foundation • Preservation Consultants, Inc.

USGS Quad: 290 Laurel Bay  
Doc. Level: Intensive Level-Site

Historic name(s): Clarendon Oak Avenue

Tax Number: R100 014 000 0013 0000

Common name(s):

Island: Port Royal Is.

Address/location: 42 Clarendon Rd.

City/Vicinity of (vic.) Grays Hill vic

Date: 1925ca

Alteration date:

Ownership:  1. private  2. city  3. county  4. state  5. federal  6. unknown

Category:  1. building  2. site  3. structure  4. object

Historic use(s): oak avenue

Current uses: oak avenue

National Register Status:

Action:

Date:

Listing Name:

NRIS #

Local Designation:

Potential:

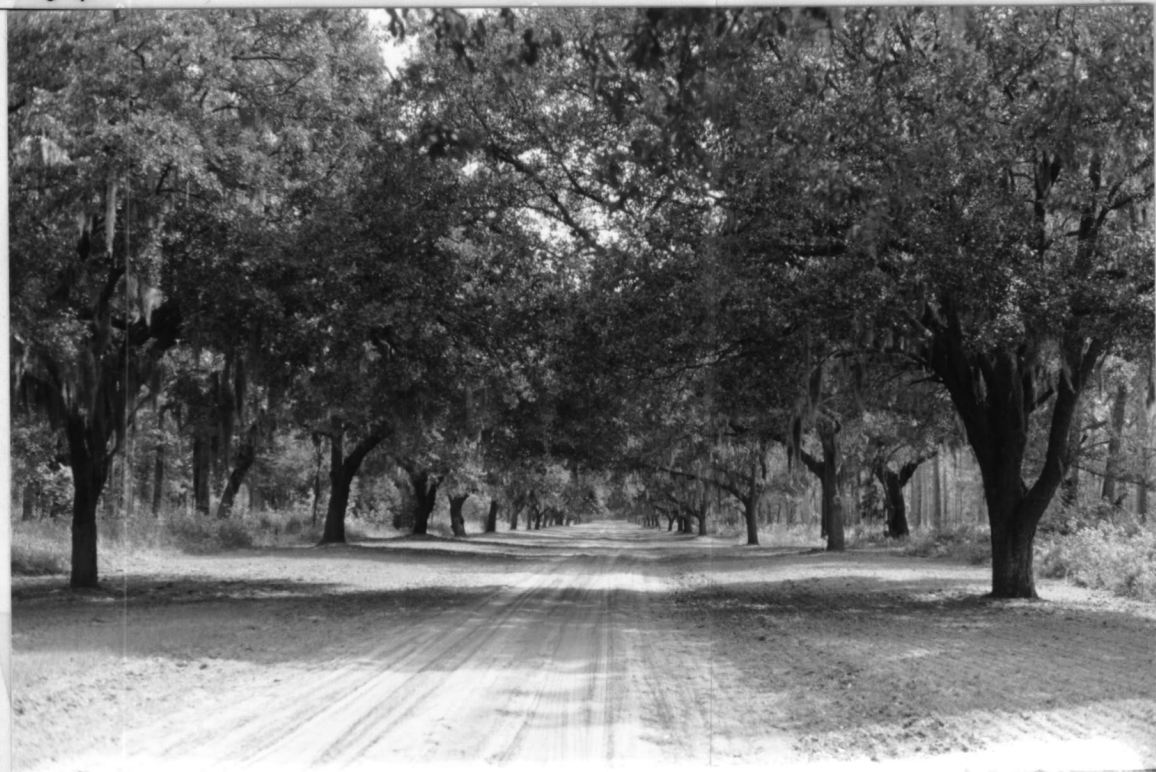
Source of Evaluation:

Number of Related Resources:

Previous Survey:

Reference:

Photograph:



Photographs:

- prints
- slides
- negatives

Date: 10/15/97

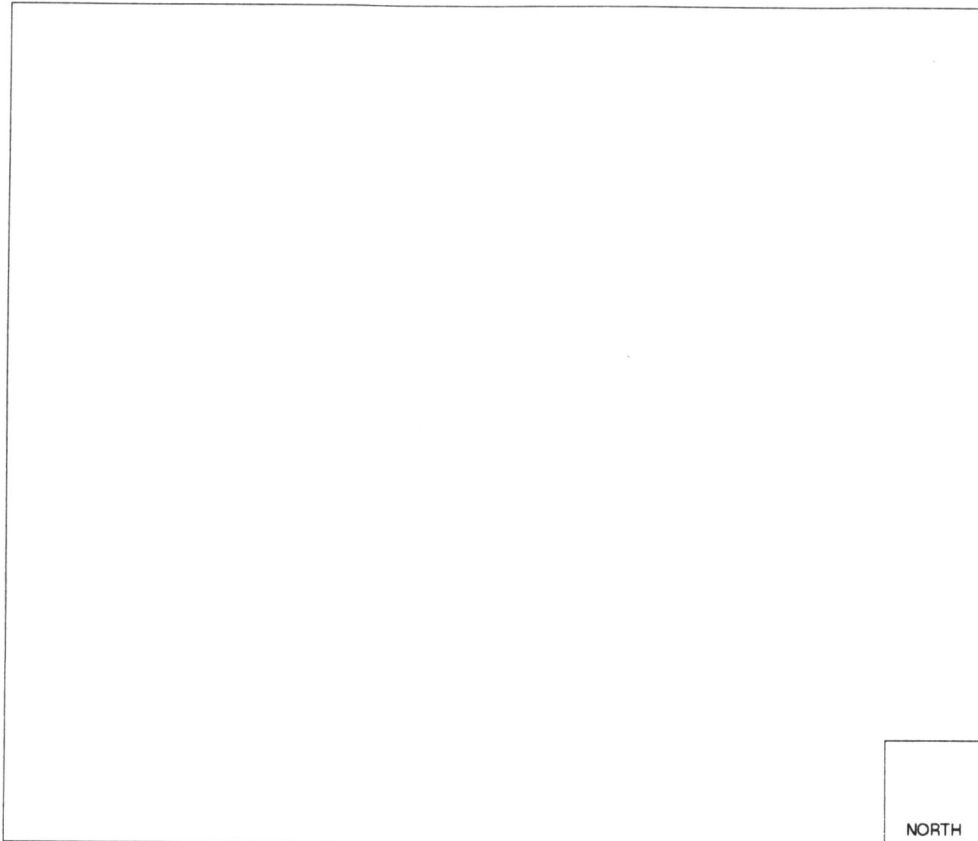
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Roll # Neg. View of:  
F10 14 Facing east

Surroundings: rural

Acreage:

Sketch:



Description: Ca. 1925 oak avenue and drive, one and one-half mile, runs west from Clarendon Road toward the Clarendon Plantation House. Gates at the road are modern, common red-brick gateposts with modern security gate, flanked by board fencing. Avenue stops at the oak grove where the office, dairy (Site #2900301.03) and stable are located, just before the entry gate to the house complex.

Alterations: Alteration date: Integrity:  excellent  good  fair  poor  Other...

Historical Data: Driveway was laid and oak avenue planted in the early 1920s, during the Cornings' ownership of Clarendon but before they had the present house built. Clarendon then included Laurel Bay, the Barnwell plantation south of the present property, which became Naval Housing area ca. 1955; it also included Goat, Cotton, Bluff, Shepherd and Corn islands, which are still part of the property. Barnwell Island and Little Barnwell Island have since been added; today's plantation is about 4200 acres.

Informant/Bibliography: Plat of land owned by Julius and Rita White, ca. 1955. Interview, Randy Moring, manager, Clarendon Farms.