BEAUFORT COUNTY HISTORIC SITES SURVEY - 1997

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Historic name(s):	Myrtle Bush Plantation	Мар	Ref.: BFT 12	Tax Number:	R100 029 000 0110 0000
Common name(s):	Myrtle Bush Farms	City	Block Ref.:	Island:	Port Royal Is.
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Style:

Commercial Form:

Core Shape: Roof: Shape:	rectangular gable (lateral)	Stories: 2 st		Construction: omposition shingle	masonry (1	tile)
Chimney: Type:	not visible		Material:			
Exterior Walls:	stucco					
Windows:	single	Туре:	double hung		Pane Config.:	4/1
Doors:	single transom sidelights		Foundation:	not visible		
Porch Height: Porch Details:	Roofed balcony over 1 story piers apron wall insect screening		II facade Decorative Elements:	Porch Ro	of Shape:	
Outbuildings:	garage w/living area sheds (2)		Interior Features:			
Number of Related	d Resources:					
Surroundings:	rural		Acreage: 5	acres Qua	drangle: E	Beaufort
Alterations:	Alteration date: <u>1950s</u> 2nd floor balcony enclosed, 2	5400 S			-	

Description: 5 x 2 bay rectangular stuccoed masonry (hollow block tile) dwelling w/lateral gable composition shingle roof; 1 story shed porch extends full-width across facade with gable balcony above (now glassed in); central entrance at facade has transom & sidelights flanked by french doors and 4/1 windows; 4/1 windows at 2nd level &side elevs.; rear garage w/apartment above constructed in 1950s. The house is sited at E side of 5 acre lot; lot bounded to W by Parris Island Gateway, buffered by tree line; much of the property is leased to a farmer who continues to cultivate it; pole shed to NW of house; shed to rear of house; tabby ruin at SW portion of lot

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