RALEIGH HISTORIC PROPERTY DESIGNATION APPLICATION AND REPORT

ι.	NAME OF THE PROPERTY: (If historic name is unknown, give current name or give street address)
	Historic Name Yates Mill
	Current Name, or Address
2.	LOCATION: Lake Wheeler Road Raleigh Wake street
3.	LEGAL OWNER: Name North Carolina State Univ. day phone
	Address Raleigh NC state zip
4.	APPLICANT/CONTACT PERSON; Name day phone
	Addressstreet city state zip
5.	REASON FOR REOUEST: Architectural and historical significance
	of the mill.
5.	GENERAL DATA: a. Date of construction and alterations: c.1756, 1820, 1854
	b. Outbuildings: YesNoX If yes, number
	c. Approximate acreage or dimensions: Building only
	d. Architect, builder, carpenter and/or mason: unknown
	e. Use: Original Mill Present Vacant
	f. Is the property income producing? Yes NoX
7.	CLASSIFICATION: a. Category: building(s) X structure object site
	b. Ownership: private public: local state X federal
	c. Number of resources within property: Contributing Non-contributing
	buildings
	objects
	sites
	d. National Register of Historic Places status (check one): Entered (date) 2/26/1970;
	nominated: eligible ; not requested ; removed (date)
	e. Has the property been recorded during a historic survey by the City of Raleigh or the NC Historic Preserva-
	tion Office? By whom and when State Historic Preservation office
8.	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: Raleigh Historic Properties Commission, Inc. Post Office Box 829 Century Station date March 13 1990
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The main block of Yates Mill, which may incorporate some of the original mid-eighteenth century structure, is a two-story rectangular weather-board building with finished attic which measures approximately 34 feet by 27 feet. The exposed ends of the rafters of the gable tin-covered roof create a slight overhang. A small porch with a straight stair is attached to the north side and gives access to the main block of the mill. All openings are asymmetrically placed. The south and west sides have two windows at each level; the north has a doorway and a window at the first and second levels and a large rectangular opening in the gable. Apparently each window had a single horizontally sliding sash and wooden batten shutter. Some of these still exist, although the glazing is missing from the windows.

Attached to the east side is a one-story shed addition measuring approximately 18 feet by 24 feet with an unusually large attic. The lower half is covered with vertical sheathing while the upper section has normal weatherboards. Contiguous to the shed addition is a porch, probably used as a loading dock, which extends 13 feet north of the main block and is covered by a gable roof. The entire structure rests on roughly dressed random coursed rubble piers and secondary wooden supports.

The interior of the first floor is divided into two large areas, the milling and storage room in the main block and the workshop in the shed. Access to the large porch is gained from the north side of the shed. A straight stair on the west wall of the main block leads to the second floor, and a stair on the north side of the second floor leads to the attic level. From the second floor of the main block five steps descend to the shed attic, which runs the full length of the building. Remnants of milling and carding machinery are scattered throughout the structure.

The wooden millrace and overshot waterwheel, both badly deteriorated, are located on the south side. The large millpond behind Yates Mill is retained by an extremely well-preserved dam composed of roughly dressed random coursed rubble.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

Wake County Records, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills and Estate Papers).

Wake County Records, Wake County Courthouse, Raleigh, North Carolina. (Subgroup: Wills).

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YATES MILL

9. c. <u>Iustification for land to be designated</u>:

Yates Mill is one of few examples of early American milling industry left in eastern North Carolina. Of the four mills known to have served eighteenth-century Wake County, this is the only site on which a mill remains. At varying times the mill has been utilized for lumber manufacturing, corn and wheat milling, and wool carding.



