

# Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

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Quadrangle Name: Columbia North  
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## SURVEY FORM

### Identification

Historic Name: Saluda Canal Stone Walls/Possible Culvert  
Common Name:  
Address/Location: Between Saluda River and I-126 east of I-20  
City: Columbia      Vicinity of      County: Richland  
Ownership: Unknown/ Other      Category: Structure      Other:  
Historical Use: Transportation  
Current Use: Vacant/Not in use  
SHPO National Register      Contributes to Eligible District  
Determination of Eligibility:

### Property Description

Construction Date: circa 1819      Construction: Masonry      Other:  
Historic Core Shape:      Exterior Walls:  
Other:      Foundation:  
Commercial Form:      Roof Shape:  
Other:      Roof Material:  
Stories:      Porch Shape:  
Other:      Porch Width:

#### Description/Significant Features:

This resource consists of two intact stone walls. The southernmost wall is about 15 meters in length and between one to 1.5 meters in width. The wall to the north is much smaller at 4 meters long and less than a meter wide. Both walls are about one meter tall. It is possible that these walls comprise the remains of a culvert because they are located where a drainage intersects the canal. This feature is not depicted on the ca 1820 canal plans so it may have been constructed after this map was made.

Alterations (include date(s), if known):

Architect(s)/Builder(s):

## **Historical Information**

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The Saluda Canal (ca 1819 – 1837) was a short-lived transportation canal constructed to allow boats to circumvent a series of rapids at the eastern end of the Saluda River, near its juncture with the Broad River at the city of Columbia. The canal was one of several built in South Carolina during the early 19th century to bypass rapids and river obstructions with the goal of creating an inland navigation network. All of the canals were rendered obsolete by the development of the railroad in the middle years of the 19th century.

Source(s) of Information:

Hollis 1968; Meriwether 1936; Kohn and Glen 1938; Kapsch 2010

## **Digital Photo ID(s)**

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