

Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

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Site No. 0305.03 Status U Revisit

Quadrangle Name: Pinewood

Tax Map No. 402

SURVEY FORM

Identification

Historic Name: Elliot's Millpond Dam

Common Name:

Address/Location: NW Corner of Old River Road and Elliott's Landing Road

City: Rimini ✓ Vicinity of County: Clarendon

Ownership: Private Category: Structure Other:

Historical Use: Industry

Current Use: Vacant/Not in use

SHPO National Register
Determination of Eligibility: Not Eligible

Property Description

Construction Date: c.1820s-1830s; 1963 Construction: Other Other: Earthen

Historic Core Shape: Exterior Walls:

Other: Foundation:

Commercial Form: Roof Shape:

Other: Roof Material:

Stories: Porch Shape:

Other: Porch Width:

Description/Significant Features:

The earthen dam that once impounded Elliott's Millpond is located along the western end of the pond. The dam is oriented roughly northeast to southwest and is approximately 878 feet long by 34 feet wide. The original construction of the dam may date to the 1820s or 1830s, when Fludd's Mill was located in the area, though it is unknown if the current alignment is the original alignment.

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

The dam may have been improved by Dr. R. S. Elliott when he constructed the current mill building sometime shortly after 1906. SCDOT widened and modified the alignment of the earthen dam when it constructed the current configuration of Old River Road in the early 1960s. The existing/former bridge was noted as a 62 ft by 15 ft wooden bridge, to be replaced by a 75-foot precast concrete bridge with handrails. The bridge was replaced in 1988 and 2015.

Architect(s)/Builder(s):

Unknown

Historical Information

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The dam is no longer intact to its historic extent and form, nor operational as an engineering feature. The dam's specific contribution to the mill operation is defunct, and its form substantially altered following the dam breach. The damaged floodgates and altered millpond further detract from the dam's ability to convey any potential significance as an individual mill feature, or as a contributing feature to the proposed Elliott's Millpond Historic District. Site 0305.03 is therefore noncontributing and not eligible for listing in the NRHP.

Source(s) of Information:

Joy, Deborah, Linda France Stine, and John W. Clauser, Jr. 2000 Catawba River Valley Grist Mill Survey. Durham, NC: Legacy Research Associates, Inc.

Alice and Gary Weathersbee, personal communication, May 10, 2019

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