When the National Register nomination for the Rufus Amis House and Mill was prepared as part of the Granville County multiple property listing in 1987, the boundaries were devised without the benefit of tax maps or plats because none was available. Approximate distances and directions were given verbally and graphically based upon site visits, verbal information from property owners regarding property line locations, and examination of USGS maps.

When the parcel containing the Rufus Amis House and Mill was placed on the real estate market recently, a survey by a registered surveyor was prepared. A comparison of the nomination site map and the recent survey reveals that the nomination boundaries are incorrect, apparently due to an error in locating the mill pond when the nomination was prepared. As a result of the boundaries having been drawn incorrectly, the acreage also was calculated in error.

The purpose of this amendment is to correct the verbal boundary description, verbal boundary justification, UTMs, and resource count. This clarification of the boundaries does not encompass any additional resources. In the course of preparing the recent survey, however, it was discovered that one of the contributing structures, an early twentieth-century frame chicken house cited as "B" in the original nomination's inventory list and site map, has been destroyed. Thus, the amended resource count should be as follows:

7 contributing buildings
1 contributing site
2 contributing structures

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the nominated property are shown by the bold line on the accompanying survey map prepared by Ben L. Bryan, P.A. for The Historic Preservation Foundation of North Carolina, Inc., October 22, 1992 (file no. 1992231), drawn at a scale of 1" = 200'.

Verbal Boundary Justification

Approximately 32.65 acres of the property encompassing the Rufus Amis House and Mill maintain historic integrity and convey the property's historic setting. The nominated area contains all the vital elements of the milling operation and farmstead including the dwelling, outbuildings, former mill race, former mill pond, and the only remaining cultivated fields that date from the property's period of significance. The remaining acreage on the property is now woodland and is no longer used for farm production. Because this acreage has been substantially changed so that it no longer contributes
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Acreage: 32.65 acres

UTM References

1. 17:701940/4045040
2. 17:702200/4044970
3. 17:702240/4044480
4. 17:701860/4044440

State Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant statewide and locally.

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

William S. Pain

NC State Historic Preservation Officer

State Agency
Contributing Buildings:
A - Rufus Amis House
B - Early 20th century frame chicken house
C - Early 20th century frame privy
D - Mid nineteenth century, mortise and tenon, ice house
E - Mid nineteenth century, mortise and tenon smokehouse
F - Early 20th century frame barn
G - Early 20th century frame corncrib
H - Late 19th/early 20th century frame dwelling
J - Rufus Amis Mill

Contributing Site:
Cultivated fields

Approx. location of former mill pond

Approx. Scale - 1" = 200 ft.
Approx. 24 acres

Underlined capital letters represent the NIM references for the vertices of the polygon drawn to encompass the property on the accompanying USGS map.

Drawn by Marvin A. Brown - February, 1987