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# **DOGTROT CABIN SITE PROPOSAL**

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Dogtrot cabins were a common way for families to grow in the southern backcountry. Typically starting with just a one room cabin, the family would add rooms as they were able based on what was needed. While some, like the restored cabin at the Schiele Museum in Gastonia, NC (center image) would grow to multi-level homes, many other historical examples seem to match the proposed layout for our dogtrot cabin.

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These photos show the current condition of "Cabin A" - The four walls are free standing and the floor joists have been placed. A hearth has been cut from one wall, a functioning fireplace will be constructed when the cabin is moved to its final location.

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These photos show the current condition of "Cabin B" - As with it's neighbor, the four walls are free standing and the floor joists have been placed. A hearth has been cut from one wall, a functioning fireplace will be constructed when the cabin is moved to its final location.

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Of seventeen structures at Historic Rural Hill, only four don't have tin roofs. Even historic structures original to the property like the Wellhouse, Davidson Schoolhouse, Smokehouse, and Shed have tin roofs that were added over time by the Davidson family.

Clockwise starting from left: Wellhouse (c. 1788), Blacksmith's and Corn Crib, Bethesda Schoolhouse (c. 1885), "Chicken Coop" shed (c. 1920), Rural Hill Picnic Pavilion, Granary, Group Restroom, Barn, Davidson Schoolhouse (c. 1890), Rural Hill Cultural Center.

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#### Polaris 3G Map – Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

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Schoolhouses (2) ca. 1890 & 1912

Farm managers residence (new) Rural Hill Burying Ground -

Woodland buffer

Cultural events field

#### Conceptual Land Use Map RURAL HILL FARM -Center of Scottish Heritage

CRONTHAY FIELD

PASTURE

PASTURE

HAY FIELD

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MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE

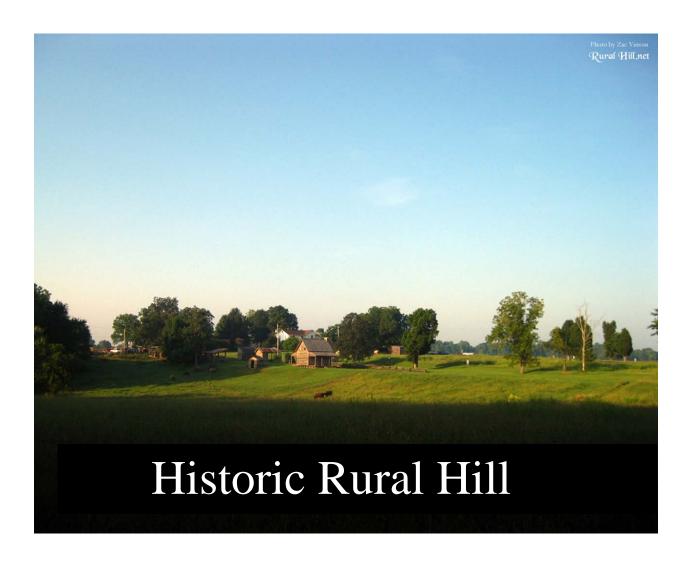
Entrance (Meadow Lane) to Rural Hill Farm - Center of Scottish Heritage

The CVSS supports the re-Zoning of the Support Development Zone south of Neck Road and the Cultural and Historical Zone, as noted here, as Natural Zone - Natural Area in the pending up-date of the 1997 Public Use Master Plan for Mountain Island Lake.

Flood Plain Forest -(riparian rights retained by Duke Energy)

Natural Zone - Outstanding Natural Area

Natural Zone - Natural Area



#### Master Plan Update

"Where History Springs Alive"

February 10, 2011

Appendix-Rural Hill Site Master Plan Enlargement

