

SPARKS FARMSTEAD, GARAGE  
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Main House  
Waxahachie Vicinity  
Ellis County  
Texas

HABS No. TX-3381-B

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

FIELD RECORDS

**HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY**  
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USGS Boz, Texas Quadrangle, Universal  
Transverse Mercator Coordinates  
14.694005.3578025

**Present Owner:** Texas National Research Laboratory Commission  
(TNRLC)  
1801 N. Hampton Road, Suite 400  
DeSoto, Texas 75115

**Present Occupant:** None

**Present Use:** Vacant

#### Statement of

**Significance:** The Garage was a component of the Sparks Farmstead that included a group of buildings which together represent a successful, owner-occupied, family-run cotton farm in Ellis County.

#### HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The garage or carriage house appears to date from the second quarter of the twentieth century, is located 81.0' southwest of the house, and is a one-story, two-bay outbuilding, with a gable roof. Built of pole frame construction, using both unmodified and sawn wood posts, it measures 28'-4" in width and 22'-2" in depth, is covered with vertical boards and has a roof of corrugated metal. It is entered through two open bays which are located on the east side of the building.