

EDGEWOOD FARM, TOBACCO BARN
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.8 mile north of State Route 778
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SIGNIFICANCE: A typical example of a flue-cure tobacco barn, this building contributes to the significance of Edgewood Farm.

DESCRIPTION: This 16' X 16' flue-cure tobacco barn is of rough-hewn, diamond-notched log construction, daubed with mud and chinked with wood fragments. The barn rests on stone footings and is roofed with seamed metal. The walls are sheathed with vertical board and batten siding, the gable peaks with weatherboards. Two stone and concrete flues are inserted through the base of the southeast wall. Between the flues, a wooden gate secures an opening in the logs cut as a passage into the structure. Two low entrances provide access through the northeast and southwest walls. A small opening for ventilation is located in the southwest gable peak. The interior was originally fitted with five rows of poles, rising five tiers high. All of these poles have been removed except those next to the wall and a few high overhead.

A lean-to animal shelter is attached to the southeast end of the structure. The lean-to, sheathed with board and batten siding and roofed with seamed metal, has a wooden gate across the open southwest side.

HISTORY: The precise date of this tobacco barn is unknown. Materials and the method of construction suggest that it was built in the late 19th or early 20th century, and subsequently used as a shelter for small livestock.

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