

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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TEXAS HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM—TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION (rev.8-82)

1. County Ellis ELL
WX City/Rural Waxahachie
2. Name National Compress Co. Building Address 503 S FLAT
3. Owner Waxahachie Compress Co. Address Drawer 1339, Waco TX 76703
4. Block/Lot Town Addn./Blk 162/Lot 7
5. USGS Quad No. 3296-234 Site No. 1625 UTM Sector PHOTO NO. 18
6. Date: Factual 1894 & 1920
7. Architect/Builder Unknown Contractor
8. Style/Type
9. Original Use cotton compress
10. Present Use cotton compress
10. Description Massive one-story industrial structure; frame construction with corrugated metal sheathing; covered by a continuous series of six larger and five smaller gabled roofs; two-story tower with pyramidal roof rises east of brick section; primary loading dock with extended eaves on west and south
11. Present Condition good
12. Significance COMMERCE & INDUSTRY: In operation by 1895 with S. P. Locke as president, this is one of only two, intact, cotton-related structures still standing in Waxahachie. Its successful operation greatly contributed to the city's
13. Relationship to Site: Moved Date or Original Site (describe) in a mostly warehouse and rail shipping center just south of the city's downtown.
14. Bibliography Tax Rolls, Sanborn Maps City Directories
15. Informant
16. Recorder Hardy-Heck-Moore Date July, 1985

DESIGNATIONS

PHOTO DATA

TNRIS No. Old THC Code.
☐ RTHL ☐ HABS (no.) TEX
 NR: ☐ Individual ☐ Historic District
☐ Thematic ☐ Multiple-Resource
 NR File Name
 Other

B&W 4x5s Slides 3
 35mm Negs

YEAR	DRWR	ROLL	FRME
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ROLL	FRME
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- Acreage

Description, continued: elevations and secondary loading docks on all other sides; abandoned railroad tracks on south side.

Significance, continued: rapid grow during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It operated as the National Compress Co. from the 1890s until the 1970s, and it still functions as a cotton compress.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

National Compress Company Building
(Waxahachie MRA)
Ellis County
TEXAS

Working No. AUG 11 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 9/11/86-9/25/86
Action: ACCEPT
RETURN 9-24-86
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

X 10. Geographical Data

X Acreage of nominated property

Quadrangle name

UTM References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed

Date

Phone:

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Waxahachie, Ellis County, Texas

National Compress Company Building (Site No. 1625) - 503 S. Flat Street

Acreage: approximately 8.3 acres

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Waxahachie Multiple Resource Area
State Ellis County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 41. | Joshua Chapel A.M.E. Church | Substantive Review | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | Betty L. Savage 9/24/86 |
| 42. | Kirven, J.D., House | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | Melvin Byrum 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | |
| 43. | Kroger, William, House | Substantive Review | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | Betty L. Savage 9/24/86 |
| 44. | Langsford, Samuel, House | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | Melvin Byrum 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | |
| 45. | Lewis, William, House | Substantive Review | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | Betty L. Savage 9/24/86 |
| 46. | McCartney House | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | Melvin Byrum 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | |
| 47. | Moore, W.B., House | Substantive Review | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | Betty L. Savage 9/24/86 |
| 48. | National Compress Company
Building | | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/11/87 |
| | | | Attest | Dwight J. Noble Jr. 9/11/87 |
| 49. | North Rogers Street
Historic District | Substantive Review | Keeper | Patrick Andrus 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | Betty L. Savage 9/24/86 |
| 50. | Oldham Avenue Historic
District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | Melvin Byrum 9/24/86 |
| | | | Attest | |

new review

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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 ☐ RETURN
 ☐ REJECT
 Federal Agency: _____

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Reviewer's comments:

Constructed in c. 1895, this cotton compress is one of only two intact structures connected to the cotton industry in Waxahachie. Technical problems originally led to the return of this nomination, but the appropriate corrections have been made.

Recom./Criteria Accept - A
 Reviewer Noble
 Discipline Historian
 Date 9/14/87
 _____ see continuation sheet

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"Historic Resources of Waxahachie, Texas"

Multiple-Resource Nomination;

Waxahachie, Ellis County, Texas

Photo: Hardy-Heck-Moore, Inc., 1985-86

Negative filed at the Texas Historical

Commission, Austin, Texas

Subject: National Compress Plant - Site No. 1625

503 S. Flat

Camera looking: southeast

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000856