

**Department of Historic Resources
Reconnaissance Level Survey**

Accomack

DHR Id#: 001-0027-0035

Resource Identification

Property Name(s): WFF # E-005 - Contract Office and Storage
 Building {Current}
 Property Date: 1944
 Address(s): Andersen Street {Current}
 County/Independent City: Accomack
 Vicinity of: Chincoteague
 State, Zip: Virginia 23337
 USGS Quad Name: CHINCOTEAGUE WEST
 Surrounding area: Rural

<p>National Register Eligibility Status Property is Historic (50 years or older)</p>
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Resource Description

Ownership Status: Public - Federal
 Acreage: 0.5

Primary Resource Exterior Component Description:

<u>Component</u>	<u>Comp Type/Form</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Material Treatment</u>
Chimneys	Chimneys - None		
Foundation	Foundation - Slab	Concrete	Foundation - Poured
Porch	Porch - None		
Roof	Roof - Flat		Roof - Not visible
Structural System	Structural System - Masonry	Brick	Structural System - 5-course Americ
Windows	Windows - Sash, double-hung	Vinyl	Windows - Original Replaced

Site Description: Located behind E-002 (001-0027-0034).

WUZIT Count:		
<u>No.</u>	<u>Wuzit Types</u>	<u>Historic?</u>
1	Office	Historic

NR Resource Count:

Individual Resource Information

WUZIT: Office

<u>Est. Date of Construction:</u> 1944 {Owner/written data}	<u>Accessed?</u> Yes
<u>Primary Resource?</u> Yes	<u>Number of Stories:</u> 1.0
<u>Architectural Style:</u> Other	<u>Condition:</u> Good
<u>Interior Plan Type:</u> T-Plan	<u>Threats to Resource:</u> None Known

Description: The building has a poured concrete slab foundation and a shallow pitch (almost flat) gable roof. While the roof materials are not visible, aluminum flashing runs along the edge of the roof. Various aluminum vents and pipes project from the surface of the roof. The top portions of the brick walls, which are laid in 5/1 common bond, are covered by ridged, aluminum trim – a modern treatment. The building is roughly T-shape in plan. Windows for the building are all replacement and include one-over-one double hung aluminum replacement sash. There are also two fixed-pane windows, one of which on the southeast elevation is in a larger window opening that has been filled in. Two tall concrete piers, placed on either side of the projecting bay of the northwest elevation, support steam heating pipes.

Cemetery Information

Bridge Information

National Register Eligibility Information

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Historic Context(s): Military/Defense

Historic Time Period(s):..... Q- World War I to World War II (1914-1945)

Significance Statement: This one story brick building, built in 1944, originally served as a storehouse and later a U.S. Navy brig for the Chincoteague Naval Auxiliary Air Station (CNAAS). The building was identified as the “Store House” on a 1944 facility map entitled “General Plot Plan – Auxiliary Air Station, Chincoteague, Virginia” by Giffels and Valet, Engineers and Architects, Detroit, Michigan. It was designated at the “Brig” on the 1953 “Station Development Map – Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Naval Aviation Ordnance Test Station, Chincoteague, Virginia” by the U.S. Navy. Its function was identified as “E-5” on the 1957 “General Development Plan – Naval Air Station, Naval Ordnance Test Station, Chincoteague, Virginia” by the U.S. Navy. The building currently functions as the Contracts Office and Storage Building. It is located behind building the Cafeteria and Photo Lab (001-0027-0034, WFF # E-002), off Andersen Street, near the geographical center of the Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) main base.

The simple, utilitarian building is representative of a secondary building type associated with a Military/Defense property, built at the end of the World War I to World War II (1917 – 1945) period. The Contract Office and Storage Building has been evaluated both as a contributing resource in a historic district and as an individual resource. Issues of significance, integrity and district boundaries were carefully considered. A proposed district comprising this resource lacks integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association due to the removal of the majority of buildings from the period of significance (1936 to 1959) and the construction of later buildings. Thus a historic district here is not eligible under Criterion A, B, C, or D.

As an individual resource, it is not eligible for listing in the National Register or the Virginia Landmarks Register under Criterion A, B, C, or D as it is not associated with a significant event or individual at the local, state or national level; it does not embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represent the work of a master, or possess high artistic values, or represent a significant or distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; nor does this property have the potential for providing additional information in history or prehistory.

The resource has lost its integrity due to alterations to the resource and its setting. The resource’s integrity of design, materials, and workmanship has been adversely affected by the replacement of the building’s doors and windows and the introduction of modern ridged aluminum trim. Although remaining in its historic location, the building’s integrity of setting, feeling, and association has been adversely affected by the changes made to the surrounding setting of the base of which it was a part; by 2004, the majority of buildings of this period have been demolished, changing the historic character of the physical environment of the building’s historic context.

Bibliographic Documentation

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Reference #: 1

Bibliographic RecordType: Map
Author: Giffels and Valet
Citation Abbreviation:
Notes: Giffels and Valet, Engineers and Architects, Detroit, Michigan. "General Plot Plan – Auxiliary Air Station, Chincoteague, Virginia." 1942.

Reference #: 2

Bibliographic RecordType: Map
Author: U.S. Navy
Citation Abbreviation:
Notes: "Map of Navy Auxiliary Air Station and Naval Ordnance Test Station, Chincoteague, Virginia." 1950.

Reference #: 3

Bibliographic RecordType: Map
Author: U.S. Navy
Citation Abbreviation:
Notes: "Station Development Map – Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Naval Aviation Ordnance Test Station, Chincoteague, Virginia." 1953.

Ownership Information

Graphic Media Documentation

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Cultural Resource Management (CRM) Events

CRM Event # 1,

Cultural Resource Management Event: Reconnaissance Survey
Date: 2004/07/99
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VDHR Project ID # Associated with Event: .. 2003-0571
CRM Event Notes or Comments: 200 Orchard Ridge Drive, Suite 101
 Gaithersburg, MD 20878

CRM Event # 2,

Cultural Resource Management Event: Reconnaissance Survey
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 Bethesda, MD 20814