



South Shore Agricultural History Project
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Greetings,

I would like to take a minute to tell you about an exciting new agricultural heritage project I am a part of that I hope will interest you as well - the **South Shore Agricultural History Project**. Sponsored by the Washington County Historical Society and lead by community leaders in the agricultural field, the project is a year-long endeavor to preserve and celebrate the unique farming history of eastern North Carolina.

With an aim of creating a permanent Albemarle – Pamlico Peninsula Agricultural History research collection at the Port o’ Plymouth Museum in Plymouth, NC, the first goal of the project is to compile the personal stories and recollections of as many local farmers as possible. We will do this by **recording individual “oral history” interviews** featuring a farmers, farm spouses, 4-Hers, etc. from the four county region of Washington, Tyrrell, Beaufort and Hyde.

In addition to the interviews, we will be **gathering material items** like farming photos, scanned farm maps, digitized home videos, etc. According to the wishes of the donor and our needs, items may be kept in the Port o’ Plymouth Museum’s permanent collection or may be accepted on a temporary loan to service this project.

After we have gathered a sufficient number of interviews, documents, photos, etc. for our collection, **the final culmination of the project will be the creation of a traveling museum exhibit**, featuring our newly compiled agricultural history collection. The exhibit will spend time in each of the counties - Washington, Tyrrell, Hyde and Beaufort - rotating through each area so as many people as possible can enjoy the entertaining and educational display.



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Do to the material costs of digitizing materials, storing artifacts, hosting project events, and most especially, building an exhibit, I'm reaching out to you in the hopes that you may be willing to assist us with the financial support needed to make our project a success.

In appreciation of your support, all South Shore Agricultural History Project sponsors will be prominently listed on our project webpage and in our "Sponsor Roll Call" panel in our traveling exhibit. All sponsors contributing more than \$150 will also receive invitations to our summer event program and our formal fall exhibit gallery opening.

We are hopeful that with the support and involvement of people like you, this project will preserve and celebrate our region's rich, agricultural history for many years to come!

Thank you for your interest,
South Shore Agricultural History Committee

If you would like to make a financial contribution, you may donate with a card over the phone by calling the Port o' Plymouth Museum at (252) 793-1377. Or, pay by check by sending your contribution, along with this form to:

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PO Box 296, Plymouth NC 27962

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