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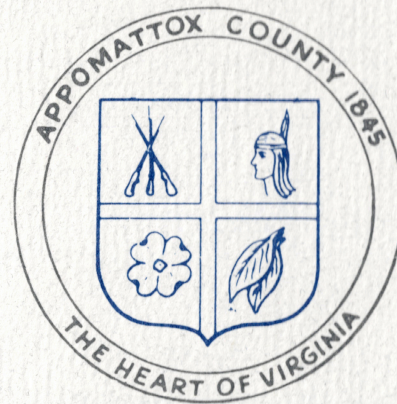
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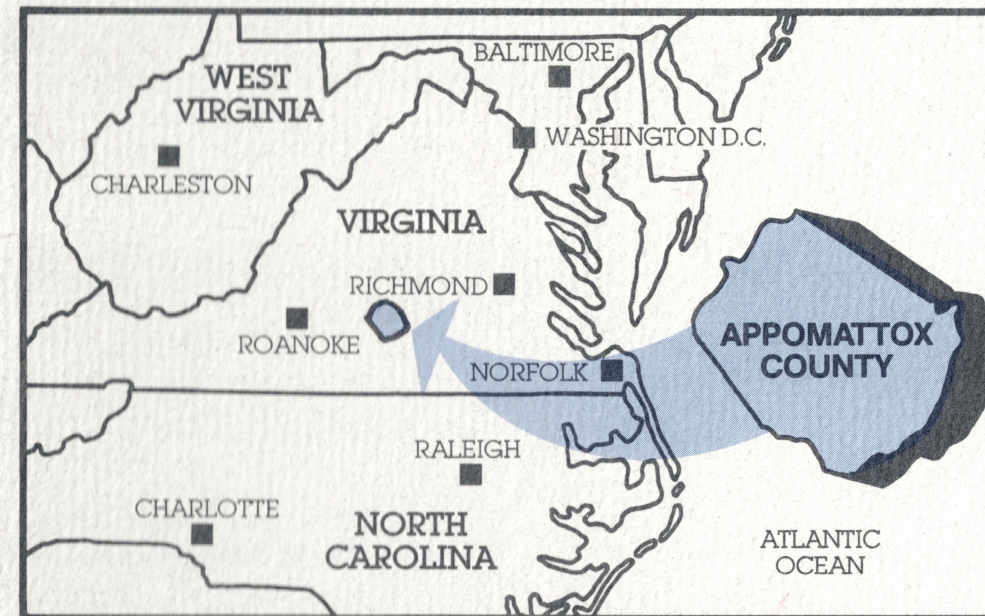
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TRANSPORTATION

Road—Access to points north, south, east and west is provided by U.S. 460 and state primary routes 24 and 26.

Rail—Norfolk Southern Railway operates freight lines in the county. Connections are available in Lynchburg with Norfolk Southern, Chesapeake & Ohio and Amtrak which provide freight, passenger and piggyback service.

Air—The Lynchburg Municipal Airport (25 miles) charters regular flights by U.S. Air and United Express; air freight service is available there and at Falwell Airport in Lynchburg (19 miles). The Lynchburg Municipal Airport has a runway of 5,800 feet. Fuel and instrument rating are available.

Bus—Bus service in Appomattox is provided by Greyhound.

Motor Freight Carriers—There are some 40 trucking firms serving the area.

NATURAL RESOURCES

There are 155,561 acres of commercial forest land in Appomattox County with loblolly, shortleaf and Virginia pines, elm-ash-cottonwood, oak-pine, and oak-hickory the dominant forest types. Non-commercial forest use includes the Buckingham-Appomattox State Forest with approximately 9,000 acres.

Mineral deposits include sand, gravel, clay, marble, limestone and quartzite.

Ground water is available at an average depth of 150 feet with an average production of 8 gallons per minute.

CLIMATE

A generally moderate climate prevails. Annual temperature average 56.7° F with January temperatures averaging 40° and July temperatures 77°.

Annual average rainfall is 44 inches; annual average snowfall is 16.9 inches. Prevailing winds are from the south to southwest.

Annual average heating degree days are 4057; annual average cooling degree days are 1232.

LOCATION/HISTORY

Located at the exact center of the state, Appomattox County, Virginia, was the scene of General Robert E. Lee's surrender that ended the War Between the States. The county was formed in 1845 and named for an Indian tribe.

Nearby cities include Lynchburg (18 miles), Roanoke (79 miles) and Richmond (90 miles).

TOPOGRAPHY

Appomattox County consists of 219,520 acres (343 square miles) of rolling hills in the Piedmont Plateau physiographic region.

Elevations range from 460 feet to 1,151 feet above sea level. Drainage is provided by the James River, Appomattox River, Roanoke River Drainage Area, and Bent and Wreck Island Creeks.

FINANCE

There are three banks and one savings and loan association in Appomattox County.

The Appomattox Industrial Development Authority offers low-interest, tax exempt industrial revenue bonds.

LOCAL ECONOMY

Appomattox County has a comprehensive retail and service sector with total taxable retail sales in 1989 exceeding \$51 million.

Manufacturing activity is concentrated in textiles, furniture and forestry. The county has a civilian labor force of 6396 with an unemployment rate of 6.2% (December, 1990).

Agricultural production is concentrated in dairy products and beef cattle. Total sales of agricultural products in 1987 was \$5.3 million, plus \$1.5 million from forest products—1988.

POPULATION

There were 12,298 residents reported for Appomattox County in the 1990 census, compared to 11,971 in 1980. Projected population in 2000 is 13,200. The Town of Appomattox had 1703 residents in the 1990 census; Pamplin City had 208.

An Invitation

Officials and civic-minded citizens of Appomattox County and the towns of Appomattox and Pamplin city accept their obligation to foster and maintain a business climate in which industry can prosper and expand.

Appomattox County lies within a day's drive of nearly half the U.S. population and has easy access to these markets through the area's excellent highway, rail and air network.

A labor supply with a high degree of trainability, a stable political climate, and the cooperative attitude of both the state and local governments are but a few of the many attractive features of the Appomattox County area.

Economic research and engineering talents are available to assist you in appraising sites in the area in search of the one best for your plant.

We invite you to take advantage of these facilities and to explore the economics of doing business in Appomattox County. Let us take you on a personal tour of this area and work in complete confidence with you in evaluating the potential of Appomattox County in relation to your particular needs.

MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing originated in Appomattox County with the establishment of the Pamplin Clay Pipe Factory in the 1870s.

During its peak production period, the pipe factory produced up to a million "American Indian Clay Smoking Pipes" per month.

Currently, Appomattox County has three major manufacturing industries plus these divisions within its borders, as follows:

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

Firm	Product	Employment Range
Amelia Dress Co.	Children's Clothes	100-200
Armstrong Furniture, Div. Thomasville Furn.	Bedroom Furniture	700-900
Brandy Ann Manufacturing, Div. of Courtland Mfg.	Girls' Dresses	60-80
Courtland Coop. Office & Distribution Center	Ladies', Children's Clothes	175-200
Division I, A Division of Courtland Mfg.	Ladies', Children's Clothes	150-165
Sangil, Div. of Courtland Mfg.	Ladies', Children's Clothes	150-165
Screen Print Operation, Div. of Courtland Mfg.	Ladies', Children's Clothes	15-20

UTILITIES

Electricity—Generated by Virginia Power Company. It is distributed in the county by Virginia Power Company, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative and Southside Electric Cooperative.

Natural Gas—Commonwealth Gas holds the franchise for distributing gas in this county.

Water—The Town of Appomattox maintains a public water system consisting of five drilled wells. Average daily use is 190,000 gallons; maximum capacity is 460,800 gallons; storage capacity is 1,130,000 gallons. The Town of Pamplin provides a public water system consisting of three wells. Average daily use is 22,000 gallons. Storage capacity is 75,000 gallons.

Sewerage—The Town of Appomattox operates a sewerage system with a treating capacity of 224,800 gallons per day. Actual usage is currently 156,000 gallons daily.

Solid Waste Disposal—Appomattox County operates a public landfill which accepts non-hazardous residential and commercial waste.

COMMUNICATIONS

Telephone—Supplied by Continental Telephone Company of Virginia.

Newspapers—*The Times Virginian* published in Appomattox weekly; a morning daily paper from Lynchburg, *The News and Daily Advance*; a tri-weekly from Farmville is also circulated in the area.

Radio—One local radio station, 107.1 AM/FM.

Television—All three major networks are received in the area. Cable service is available in selected areas of the County; 23 channels.

Parcel Service—Supplied by U.P.S., Federal Express, Emory and Purolator.

EDUCATION

During the 1990-1991 school year, there were 2243 students enrolled in Appomattox Public Schools including 183 high school graduates, 60% of whom continued their education. The teacher-pupil ratio is 21:1.

Higher education is available at Central Virginia Community College (19 miles) which offers one and two-year programs in liberal arts studies, business administration, engineering and vocational training.

There are five colleges within commuting distance of Appomattox: Hampden-Sydney College and Longwood College in the Farmville area and Liberty University, Lynchburg College and Randolph Macon Women's College in Lynchburg.



APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE. FROM A WAR-TIME PHOTOGRAPH.

GOVERNMENT

Appomattox County is governed by a three-member board of supervisors headed by a chairman. The Town of Appomattox is governed by a seven-member town council headed by a mayor. The Town of Pamplin City has a seven-member town council headed by a mayor.

The County and Town of Appomattox and Pamplin have adopted a comprehensive zoning plan.

POLICE/FIRE

There are eleven police officers assigned to the county; they also service the towns of Appomattox and Pamplin.

Fire protection is provided by a volunteer staff of 24 in Appomattox and 25 in Pamplin.

MEDICAL

A public health department offers a variety of services including a pharmacy, public health nursing, home health, family planning, environmental health and laboratory services.

There are five doctors, three dentists, one optometrist, one chiropractor, one veterinarian and one clinic serving the public.

Hospitals serving Appomattox residents include The Lynchburg General Hospital (19) miles with emergency services available 24 hours a day; Virginia Baptist Hospital (19) miles; and Southside Community Hospital in Farmville (25) miles.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Recreation—Recreational programs are offered by the county, town and private sources. Public facilities include ballfields, tennis courts and basketball courts.

Parks include the Buckingham-Appomattox State Forest (about 9000 acres), a town ball park (six acres) and a town kiddie park (three acres).

Additional recreational opportunities are provided at Paradise Lake, Holiday Lake State Park, the Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, and at campgrounds, hiking trails and picnic areas.

Churches—There are 40 Protestant Churches and one Catholic Church serving the town and county.

Lodging—Four motels with 89 rooms.

Library—One public library.

LOCAL TAXES ON MANUFACTURERS

1990 Tax Year

	REAL ESTATE		
	Nominal Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment Ratio	Effective Tax Rate/\$100
Appomattox County	\$.63	85%	\$.55
Town of Appomattox	.15	95%	.14
Town of Pamplin	.20	95%	.19

	MACHINERY AND TOOLS			
	Value Used For Tax Purposes	Nominal Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment Ratio	Effective Tax Rate/\$100
Appomattox County	FM value	\$3.50	12.5%	\$.44
Town of Appomattox	FM value	.55	100%	.55
Town of Pamplin	—	—	—	—

	AUTOMOBILES			
	Value Used For Tax Purposes	Nominal Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment Ratio	Effective Tax Rate/\$100
Appomattox County	NADA Book	\$3.50	50%	\$1.75
Town of Appomattox	NADA Book	.55	100%	.55
Town of Pamplin	NADA Book	1.00	100%	1.00

	TRUCKS			
	Value Used For Tax Purposes	Nominal Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment Ratio	Effective Tax Rate/\$100
Appomattox County	NADA Book	\$3.50	50%	\$1.75
Town of Appomattox	NADA Book	.55	100%	.55
Town of Pamplin	NADA Book	1.00	100%	1.00

	SALES AND USE TAX RATE	
Appomattox County	1%	
Town of Appomattox	0%	
Town of Pamplin	0%	
Virginia	3.5%	

In Virginia, counties and cities are separate taxing entities. A manufacturing company pays either county or city tax, depending upon its location. However, if it is located within the corporate limits of a town, it is subject to both town and county levies.