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# MONGOLIAN MINE

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## Location

NINE MILE ROAD RUSHWORTH, CAMPASPE SHIRE

## Municipality

CAMPASPE SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7824-0006

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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## What is significant?

The site has poor archaeological value due to the bulldozing - risk mitigation works

## How is it significant?

The site has little cultural heritage significance due to a lack of intactness, integrity and condition.

# Why is it significant?

The site is not significant due to poor archaeological value

Interpretation of Site	The site is in poor archaeological condition because of bulldozing at the site. This bulldozing has created a gap between the open stope and the prospecting works to the east. The collar of the underlay shaft has collapsed, forming a wide opening.
Hermes Number	10157
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## History

The Mongolian reef was discovered by Chinese alluvial miners in 1867 and the first crushings raised were very rich, one yielding 45 ounces of gold from 6 loads of stone. After the reef appeared to be cut off, they sold the claim. The new party had little luck and eventually let the mine out to tributers. The shaft was taken to water level and then resumed by the owners, who took the shaft to 250 feet depth using a whim. They then formed a company which took the shaft to 300 feet depth, all for little return. Other deep shafts on the line were sunk to 132 feet depth at the No 1 West Shaft and 180 feet depth at the No 2 West Shaft. The last work on the line was done in the mid 1880s on the No 2 West Shaft, when a patch of gold was discovered at 40 feet depth. Information from Site Gazetteer, Historic Mining Sites in the Rushworth-Waranga North Mining Divisions, D Bannear, DCNR, 1993.

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