
CHINAMAN'S FLAT ALLUVIAL WORKINGS

Location

7 DIXONS TRACK BEECHWORTH, INDIGO SHIRE

Municipality

INDIGO SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8225-0041

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO814

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site Heritage Inventory Interpretation:

Hermes Number 10955

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

A map of the Beechworth goldfield completed at the end of 1852 showed diggings near Red Hill. Historically, the area of the Beechworth goldfield known as Chinaman's Flat was on the lower Three-mile Creek, at Bowman's Forest. No historical references have been found to a Chinaman's Flat in the vicinity of Red Hill, other than that, during 1865, between 30 and 60 Chinese miners (and no Europeans) were working at a Chinaman's Flat which

was grouped with Silver, Deep, and Hurdle creeks in the mining population list.

The name, Chinaman's Flat, suggests that Chinese miners predominated there at some date probably in the early to mid-1860s. In 1866, Chinaman's Flat (Bowman's) was named as a locality occupied solely by Chinese. At that time, Chinese miners were working with considerable success, in many parts of the Beechworth goldfield, on ground abandoned by Europeans as unremunerative.

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