
YACKANDANDAH CREEK JET ELEVATOR SLUICING WORKS

Location

COHNS TRACK AND YACKANDANDAH TRACK AND OFF BELLS FLAT ROAD STANLEY, INDIGO SHIRE

Municipality

INDIGO SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8225-0074

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Yackandandah Creek Hydraulic Gold Sluicing Pit consists of an excavation about 200 metres by 100 metres containing a network of pebble dumps, tail races and drainage adits. Water for sluicing would have been delivered to the site by a high pressure pipeline from higher up the creek and then directed at the gold bearing deposits. The technology was introduced into Victoria in about 1855.

How is it significant?

The Yackandandah Creek Hydraulic Gold Sluicing Pit is of historical, archaeological and scientific importance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The Yackandandah Creek Hydraulic Gold Sluicing Pit is historically and scientifically important as a characteristic and well preserved example of an early form of gold mining. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria. Hydraulic sluicing of alluvial gold deposits

is an important key ingredient in an understanding of gold mining technology as it was employed in country where water was plentiful and perennial.

The Yackandandah Creek Hydraulic Gold Sluicing Pit is archaeologically important for its potential to yield artefacts and evidence which will be able to provide significant information about the cultural history of gold mining and the gold seekers themselves.

[Source: Victorian Heritage Register.]

Interpretation of Site Heritage Inventory Interpretation: Probably dates to 1950's

Hermes Number 10959

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: not known

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