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# GABO ISLAND SETTLEMENT

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## Location

GABO ISLAND, UNINCORPORATED

## Municipality

UNINCORPORATED

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8822-0003

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - October 12, 2023

**What is significant?**

**How is it significant?**

**Why is it significant?**

Interpretation  
of Site

Heritage Inventory Interpretation: 1. Possible location of the 1830s - 1840s sealing/whaling station (not yet identified). 2. 1850s - 1860s quarry and lighthouse service townships (many features extant). 3. WW 2 RAAF radar facility (not fully assessed).

Hermes  
Number

11585

Property  
Number

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## History

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

A sealing/whaling station was established on the island in the 1830s - 1840s. Following the wreck of the "Monumental City" in 1853, a lighthouse was constructed on the island, with associated service buildings. A quarry settlement was constructed on the site 1859 - 1862. This was abandoned in the 1880s. A radar facility was constructed and used c. 1939 - 1945.

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*