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Bruntons Bridge Thompson  
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Bruntons Bridge Thompson  
River, 2006



Brunton s Bridge from below



Brunton s Bridge, Walhalla  
end from below

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## Location

OVER THOMSON RIVER, BRUNTONS BRIDGE ROAD WALHALLA, BAW BAW SHIRE

## Municipality

BAW BAW SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1450

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO2

## VHR Registration

August 20, 1982

## Amendment to Registration

May 23, 1998

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 19, 1999

'Brunton's Bridge', old road between Cowwarr and Walhalla, comprises the remains of a timber and iron bridge erected c.1886. The structure was 211 feet long, 21 feet wide and had a maximum height of the decking of 40 feet. The timber parts of the bridge, comprising beams, decking and handrails, were destroyed by bushfires. Six columns support the steel substructure and lattice and other steel work decorates the bridge. The bridge is an interesting example of late nineteenth century bridge technology, adapted for use in difficult terrain. Although the timber portions of the bridge no longer remain, sufficient of the bridge remains for its original form to be seen. 'Brunton's Bridge' forms part of the industrial relics contained in the important former mining town of Walhalla. The bridge is in a fair condition with respect to the iron structure. The timber portion of the structure has been destroyed by bushfires.

[Source: Register of the National Estate]

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates 1887,  
Heritage Act Categories Registered place,  
Other Names BRUNTON'S BRIDGE,  
Hermes Number 1177  
Property Number

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## Extent of Registration

Amendment of Register of Government Buildings  
Narracan Shire  
Brunton's Bridge over Thomson River, Old Road between Cowwarr and Walhalla.  
[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G39 12 October 1988 p.3092]

Transferred to the Victorian Heritage Register 23 May 1998 (2 years after the proclamation of the Heritage Act 1995 pursuant to the transitional provisions of the Act)

*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/>*