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## Location

Holts Lane to Wheelans Road BACCHUS MARSH, MOORABOOL SHIRE

## Municipality

MOORABOOL SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO83

## Heritage Listing

Moorabool Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Engineering earth works by the Shire council from 1878-90 and from 1933 to formalise a channel for the Lerderderg River through the town to reduce flooding and reclaim marshland for agricultural use.

The works are of local historical significance for their association with agricultural and water management developments in the community life of the district and in demonstrating the effect of an initiative of local government.

The site is of scientific significance for its archaeological research potential.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Moorabool - Bacchus Marsh Heritage Study 1995, Richard Peterson and Daniel Catrice, 1995; |
| Construction dates        | 1878,   |
| Hermes Number             | 124392  |
| Property Number           |   |

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## Physical Description 1

The most extensive work appears to have been in the lower reaches. A comparison of maps show the section downstream of the Avenue of Honour has been extensively altered. Originally a meandering stream, it is now an almost straight run down to the junction with the Werribee River.

## Historical Australian Themes

Governing / Water

## Intactness

Good.

## Physical Conditions

Good.

## Usage/Formal Usage

USE: Flood reduction and marsh reclamation engineering works.

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