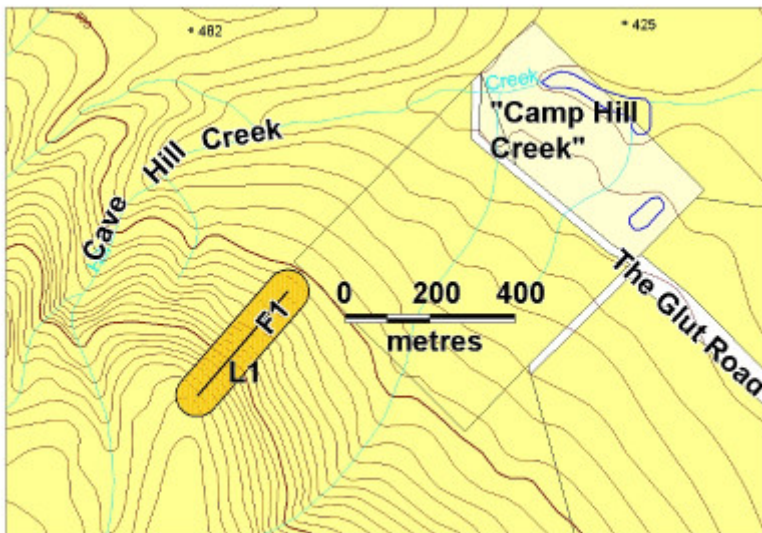


# THE GLUT ESCARPMENT LOG CHUTE



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## Location

HUTCHINGS TRACK RAGLAN, PYRENEES SHIRE

## Municipality

PYRENEES SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H2020

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO50

## VHR Registration

March 20, 2003

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 20, 2003

What is significant?

The Glut log chute is a rare surviving example of a log delivery system which operated during the early period of Victorian sawmilling. The chute was constructed by Charles Tunbridge around 1863 to deliver logs to his steam sawmill near Raglan, north of Beaufort. The site features the remains of a 300 metre chute formation descending steeply from the Mount Cole plateau towards Fiery Creek. The chute is 1.5 metres wide and 0.5 metres deep, carefully sited to avoid the large granite outcrops which dot the hillside.

How is it significant?

The Glut log chute is of historical and scientific significance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The Glut log chute is historically and scientifically significant as an early and well preserved example of a nineteenth-century log delivery route. Log chutes are rare in Victoria and Tunbridge's is a substantially intact formation of its kind. The remains of the chute demonstrate the engineering required to operate in steeply forested terrain. Sawmilling in the Mount Cole area provided timber products which were crucial to the success of the local gold mining industry.

## 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](#).

### **Specific Exemptions:**

General Conditions: 1. All exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object. General Conditions: 2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of alterations that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such alteration shall cease and the Executive Director shall be notified as soon as possible. General Conditions: 3. If there is a conservation policy and plan approved by the Executive Director, all works shall be in accordance with it. General Conditions: 4. Nothing in this declaration prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions. General Conditions: 5. Nothing in this declaration exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authority where applicable.

### **EXEMPTIONS:**

- \* Preliminary Mineral Exploration work
- \* Fire suppression duties
- \* Weed and vermin control
- \* Public safety
- \* Rehabilitation, protective and stabilisation works
- \* Information signage - for interpretation and prevention of public risk

Construction dates            1863,  
Heritage Act Categories    Registered archaeological place,  
Hermes Number                12635  
Property Number

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## **History**

Charles Tunbridge established a steam sawmill around 1863 on his property at the foot of the Mount Cole range. He brought logs down from the plateau via a chute. Most of the sawn timber was being used in the mines on the 'Wet Lead' at Raglan, north of Beaufort. Installation of the mill had the effect of greatly reducing the price of timber in the locality. It is unclear when the mill and log chute were abandoned.

## **Extent of Registration**

### **NOTICE OF REGISTRATION**

As Executive Director for the purpose of the Heritage Act, I give notice under Section 46 that the Victorian Heritage Register is amended in that Heritage Register Number H2020 in the category described as Archaeological place:

The Glut Escarpment Log Chute, Mount Cole State Forest, Pyrenees Shire Council.

EXTENT:

The Glut log chute and all the Crown Land on each side of it for 50 metres from its head beside Escarpment Track (longitude 143.27203, latitude 37.30869) to its foot near Hutchings Track (longitude 143.27439, latitude 37.30638), shown as F1 and L1 on Diagram 2020 held by the Executive Director

Dated 20 March 2003

RAY TONKIN  
Executive Director

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*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/>*