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Location

CA 4 Eaglehawk-Neilborough Road, WOODVALE VIC 3556 - Property No 198895

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO670

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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The site contains the earliest recorded quartz workings in the Whipstick area and the site of the first battery (criterion A). The site also contains a range of mining activities from open cuts to shallow shafts, and subsequent hydraulic sluicing and therefore has some potential to illustrate the pattern of mining in the area (criterion C).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Marong Heritage Study 1999, Andrew Ward and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1856,
Hermes Number	197462
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Battery site: On the eastern edge of the road is a shallow, dry dam, to the south of which are traces of tailings and a possible battery site. Further south is the site of Magetti's Hotel.

Reef workings: On the hill east of the tailings are the Wallace Reef workings, consisting of shallow sinkings along the gully and a large open-cut now partly filled by mullock, domestic rubbish and industrial waste. To the north and west of these workings the ground has been sluiced hydraulically to bedrock.

Physical Description 2

The site is bounded on the west by the Eaglehawk-Neilborough Road and extends eastwards for 200 metres to include all the reef workings, the area of hydraulic sluicing, the dam, battery site, and the site of Magetti's hotel.