JUMBUNNA RAILWAY LINE VIADUCT



Locality plan Jumb viaduct

Location

HALFORD ROAD JUMBUNNA, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8021-0041

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE: The site represents a good visual example of the enormous amount of manual labour that went into the provision of Victorian Railways branch lines to service Victorian industry (coal mining) in the late 1800s.

Interpretation of Site The viaduct is part of a series of side-cuts, cuttings and viaducts that mark the Jumbunna-Outtrim railway line. The source of the large quantities of earth used is visible in the landscape, in the borrow pits and adjacent cuttings.

Hermes 44001

Property Number

History

In 1894, the Jumbunna Coal Mining Co commenced operations at Jumbunna, and was serviced by a Victorian Railways branch line from the coal creek (Korumbarra) branch line. This line was later extended 2 3/8 miles from the Jumbarra township terminus to Outtrim and opened on 5th February, 1896. A deep gully between Jumbunna township and the Jumbunna mine had to be spanned, and a large earthen viaduct was constructed. This was a considerable feat, accomplished with manual labour.

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