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# 1) TIMBER SLAB OUTBUILDING "WILLOWMIST", 2) MATURE RADIATA PINE TREES, 2315 HEIDELBERG-KINGLAKE RD



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## Location

2315 HEIDELBERG-KINGLAKE RD ST ANDREWS, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 5, 2010

Destroyed in 2009 bushfires

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, CONTEXT, 2010

**What is significant?**

The entire late 19th or early 20th-century drop-slab farm outbuilding with its lean-to, and the associated site to a radius of 30 metres

**How is it significant?**

The drop slab barn is historically and technically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik.

**Why is it significant?**

The drop-slab barn is historically significant as a rare surviving example of a timber slab farm building in a Melbourne metropolitan context; it is one of just four examples in the Shire of Nillumbik (see also HO 63 and HO107) and as a reminder of the importance of farming to the area's past (Criteria A & B). The barn is historically and technically significant because it is an excellent demonstration of the kinds of building that would have been erected by the Shire's early settlers (Criteria A & D).

**BICK STUDY, 1992**

A rare surviving example of a timber slab farm building in a Melbourne-wide context, this structure is one of just four examples in the Shire of Eltham. This type of vernacular construction was found throughout Victoria during the 19th century, as well as into the 20th century. However, the number of examples surviving in the State is now relatively small. This building is also particularly illustrative of the principal land use during the first one hundred years of the Shire's history, farming.

**BASIS OF SIGNIFICANCE:****ILLUSTRATION OF THE THEMES**

STREETSCAPE

LANDSCAPE

RARITY

CONSTRUCTION

DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE: LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE

EXTENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

ENTIRE SLAB BUILDING AND SITE TO A RADIUS OF 30 METRES.

*See also the evaluations of the Shire's other timber slab farm buildings at Clier Hills and Kangaroo Ground.*

Heritage Study/Consultant Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;

Construction dates 1800,

Other Names Pinus radiata,

Hermes Number 63250

Property Number

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**Historical Australian Themes**

FARMING

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

3.9 Farming for commercial profit

5.8 Working on the land

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

## **Physical Description 1**

Style a-stylar.

Design standard.

Plan rectangular with lean-to (added later?)

Single storeyed.

Walls timber post framed, horizontal timber drop slab clad.

Features are the construction of this building. The gable cladding is presumably later, like the metal door.

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Original Use: Farm outbuilding

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