Stony Creek Rail Trestle Bridge





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Location

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Municipality

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1436

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Stony Creek Rail Bridge on the Orbost-Bairnsdale Line, east of Nowa Nowa, was constructed by the Victorian Railways in 1916. It is a dramatic 27 span, 276 metre long, 18.6 metre high timber trestle bridge, supporting a single railway track over Stony Creek. The bridge is no longer in use due to damage caused by a bushfire in 1980. Stony Creek Bridge is in dilapidated condition and the East Gippsland Rail Trail runs below. How is it significant?

The Stony Creek Rail Bridge, Nowa Nowa is historically and architecturally significant to the State of Victoria. Why is it significant?

The bridge is architecturally significant as a representative and essentially intact example of a timber trestle bridge along the Melbourne to Orbost line. It is one of the longest and highest remaining examples of a timber trestle bridge in Victoria.

The bridge is historically significant as a notable example of timber trestle bridge construction, demonstrating a distinctive construction method that utilised the native bush timbers.

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