YANKEE CREEK ALLUVIAL WORKINGS

Location

YANKEE ROAD LERDERDERG, MOORABOOL SHIRE

Municipality

MOORABOOL SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0497

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 8153

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: When the Blackwood Rush peaked in September 1855 there were some 13,000 diggers on the field. By this time, most of the locations which were to become famous for their alluvial gold had been opened: such as, Golden Point, Nuggetty Gully, Long Gully, Yankee Gully, Frenchman's Gully and Dead Horse Gully. The actual bed of the Lerderderg River (and tributaries) was the main focus of alluvial mining. In some places, however, such as along Yankee Creek, high level terraces (Tertiary gravels) were also found to be gold bearing. The mining register reported the Yankee Creek Sluicing Company working the creek in the mid 1860s.

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.

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