
AGAMEMNON CLAIM AND GIBBO RIVER DIVERSION SLUICE

Location

LOWER TABLELANDS ROAD DARTMOUTH, EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8424-0016

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11072

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

The Gibbo River was first mined in the mid-1850s. Ten years later, parties of Chinese re-opened claims on the river's lower reaches, and in 1868 there was a rush on the upper Gibbo. A handful of small parties persevered in sluicing river and terrace claims throughout the 1870s and '80s. In 1888, a company was formed at the upper Gibbo (i.e., upstream or east of this site) to bring water at a high level for the purpose of sluicing terraces on each side of the river - miners on the Gibbo had hitherto carried their washdirt from the spurs and terraces to the river for washing. Claims on the river at that time included King's, McKibbin's, and German Harry's. The Agememnon Gold Sluicing Co. was formed to work a claim on the Gibbo River in 1899. Sluicing on an extensive scale, they operated seven sluice boxes for three shifts each day. The company failed to win sufficient

gold to cover expenses, and operations ceased in about 1902. Sluicing on the Gibbo at the same time was the Chatsworth Co.

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