
Lloyd's Whip Gold Mining Site, Stuart Mill Historic Site, Sunraysia Highway, STUART MILL



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Location

Stuart Mill Historic Site Sunraysia Highway STUART MILL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1274

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7524-0024

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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Lloyds Whip Gold Mining Site consists of a timber tripod structure (known as a whip pole) a mine shaft and associated mullock dump. The structure dates from the 1930s and is typical of similar structures used to raise ore and mullock by horse power.

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The Lloyds Whip Gold Mining Site is **historically** and **scientifically** important at a **STATE** level as a characteristic example of an important form of gold mining. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria. As well as being a significant producer of Victoria's nineteenth century wealth, with its intensive use of machinery, played an important role in the development of Victorian manufacturing industry. The whip pole is historically and scientifically significant as a rare surviving example of a structure which was once common on Victorian goldfields.

Overall the Lloyds Whip Gold Mining Site are of **STATE** significance.

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Physical Description 1

This site features a well preserved timber whip, located on top of a partly bulldozed mullock paddock. The shaft below has been filled. The remains of a wooden tramway, wooden posts and a narrow depression marking the route of a horse are located nearby. This is the first relatively intact whip to be recorded in the Central Victorian goldfields, and possibly the State.

DESCRIPTION & INTERPRETATION:

Site 61.0. Whip shaft (Operated by Mr. Leo Lloyd in the 1930s).

Whip. On top of a partly bulldozed small mullock paddock is a well preserved whip. The 10 ft long bush-timber whip pole is supported by two vertical wooden posts. At the end of the whip pole is a 1-1/2 ft long, 3 inch wide, slot for the haulage pulley. The shaft below the pulley slot has been filled. Running north from the shaft site are the remains of a wooden tramway. At the end of the tramway is a small (5 metre long, 2 metres high) mullock heap. To the rear of the whip, at ground level, are some wooden posts (presumably for second pulley) and a narrow depression marking the route of the horse.

INTEGRITY/CONDITION: The structure is in good condition.

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Site 61.0 has:

Scientific Significance, because of the intactness and therefore rarity of the site. Horse-powered haulage whips were once extremely common on all goldfields, this is the first relatively intact whip to be recorded in Central Victoria, and possibly for the State.

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