
Puddler No. 2, Rostrons, STUART MILL



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Location

Rostrons STUART MILL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7524-0033

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 30, 2004

A weathered puddler in reasonable condition, with an unusual hollow log outlet channel. The site demonstrates puddling technology enhanced by the unusual outlet channel feature.

The Puddler No. 2, Rostrons is **historically** and **scientifically** important at a **LOCAL** level as a substantially intact example of an important gold mining technique. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria.

Overall the Puddler No. 2, Rostrons is of **LOCAL** significance.

RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: LOCAL

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
Hermes Number	113709
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Site 66.1. Puddler No 2. (Middle Creek). Weathered state of the puddler suggests it last operated during the nineteenth century.

Puddler. Weathered 20 ft diameter puddling machine site: the inner mound has eroded badly, nearly filling the puddling trench. The weathering has exposed a the pivot post. The puddler has an unusual feature in that its builder(s) used a hollow log for the outlet channel.

INTEGRITY/CONDITION: All sites are in reasonable condition.

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Sites 66.1, has:

. Scientific Significance, due to their ability to demonstrate puddling technology and shallow alluvial mining. The significance of Site 66.1 and Sites 66.2/66.3 are enhanced by the fact that they have some unusual features, the former, has a hollow log for an outlet channel, and the latter sites, have a water race which connects the two puddling dams.

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