FORMER GARVOC RAILWAY STATION

Location

BETWEEN GARVOC-LANNG AND STATION ROADS GARVOC, MOYNE SHIRE

Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7421-0018

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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The former Garvoc railway station site is of archaeological significance as the potential remains at this site could provide information on the nature of, and activities that took place, at the railway station complex.

The station is of historical significance as this site relates to the history of the Warrnambool railway line (South West line) and its association with the expansion of the railway network in Victoria.

The former Garvoc railway station site is assessed as having archaeological value in a local context under the 'linking Victorians by rail' framework in Victoria's Framework of Historical Themes. The former Garvoc railway station site thus meets the Threshold B (place history).

The railway station opened on 4 February 1890, between the Station Road and Garvoc- Laang Road railway crossings. It is unknown when the railway station, stationmaster's residence, or goods shed were built. However, historical plans and documentation suggests that they were likely established between 1894 (when a gate house was located adjacent to Garvoc-Laang Road) and 1911 (when the station was made a manned electric staff station). Features of the former Garvoc railway station comprise the artefact scatters located to the north and south of the railway line near the Station Road level crossing, and any further artefacts identified within the rail reserve which contained the former station complex. Garvoc railway station became an electric staff station in 1911. It was subsequently closed as an electric staff station in 1933, when it was utilised as an intermediate block point. A current assessment noted there were no obvious signs of disturbance across most of this site, excepting subsurface services at Station Road, and culverts at both Garvoc-Laang and Station Roads. The site has the potential to contain historical archaeological features, deposits and artefacts.
The railway station was an important part of the history of the Warrnambool railway line and its association with the expansion of the railway network in Victoria. The former Garvoc railway station site is of archaeological significance as the potential remains at this site could provide information on the nature of, and activities that took place, at the railway station complex. They could also provide further details on the layout of the former railway station. The station is of historical significance as this site relates to the history of the Warrnambool railway line (South West line) and its association with the expansion of the railway network in Victoria.
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