BROKEN RIVER BRIDGE



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1 bridge broken river benalla side view 1989



H1043 H1043 plan

Location

OVER BROKEN RIVER, BRIDGE STREET BENALLA, BENALLA RURAL CITY

Municipality

BENALLA RURAL CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1043

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO10

VHR Registration

August 18, 1994

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 4, 1999

The concrete girder bridge over Broken River, Benalla was designed by John (later Sir John) Monash, with assistance from shire engineer, Samuel Jeffrey, and built in 1909-10 by the Reinforced Concrete and Monier Pipe Construction Company. The bridge was widened in 1939-40 to plans prepared by Allan Ozanne of the Country Roads Board, assisted by the shire engineer, Les Fawkner.

The Broken River Bridge, a rare early example of concrete girder bridge design, demonstrates technical accomplishment in the use of reinforced concrete girder bridges, such as the bridge over the Loddon River, Laanecoorie (still extant), the Benalla bridge was influential in the development of the technology of girder construction which was to come into general acceptance from 1915 onwards.

The bridge has an association with John (later Sir John) Monash, soldier, engineer and administrator, who, at the time of the bridge's construction, directed the Reinforced Concrete and Monier Pipe Construction Company, the company at the forefront of reinforced concrete construction in Victoria at that time.

The bridge, with its concrete piers linked by arches, the decorative volutes of each pier and the ornamental cast iron and galvanised iron pipe rail balustrades, demonstrates typical craftsmanship and decoration.

Construction dates 1909,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Other Names BRIDGE, BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE,

Hermes Number 4609

Property Number

Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS Historic Building No. 1043-Road Bridge over Broken River Bridge Road, Benalla, City of Benalla (To the extent of:

1. All of the structure known as the road bridge over the Broken River, Benalla marked B-1 on Plan 605636 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
2. All of the land extending a distance of 5 metres from all elements of the structure at each end of the bridge.)
[Victoria Government Gazette No. G33 18 August 1994 p.2256]

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