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# LANGI LOGAN SOUTH

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## Location

TATYOON ROAD MAROONA, ARARAT RURAL CITY

## Municipality

ARARAT RURAL CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7423-0026

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Property Number

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## History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: There were four main deep lead mining periods in the Ararat Mining Division: mid 1860s, 1880s, early 1900s, and 1930s mining revival. The Langi Logan South Company was involved in the third mining period which commenced in 1909 when the Cathcart Company obtained some sensational yields from a narrow strip in the gutter of a tributary (Victory Lead) of the main Langi Logan Lead: 7,916 ounces from 5,077 fathoms. The richness of the gold created a mining boom and the lead was worked in a south-easterly direction to meet with the main lead. The companies spawned, between 1909 to 1915, by the Cathcart Company's efforts included the Cathcart North, British Queen, Cathcart Victory, Cathcart Central, New Langi Logan, Langi Logan Extended, Langi Logan North, Langi Logan West, Langi Logan South, Great Langi Logan and Upper Langi Logan. The new progressive companies did not find the going very easy. The water difficulties proved expensive and very difficult to overcome, demanding the most up-to-date appliances available, eg. in 1915, the New Langi Logan Company's pumps were displacing some 3,000,000 gallons per day, and the Langi Logan South were

discharging about 1,500,000 gallons. Due to the water problem most of the companies took 3 to 4 years to drain their section of the gutter, and as a result, several, such as the Cathcart North, British Queen, and Langi Logan Extended closed down, capital exhausted, without reaching the lead. Only the Cathcart Central (2,159 kg of gold) and New Langi Logan (1,113 kg.) went onto to mine extensively and join the Cathcart Company (1,766 kg) as major gold producers. The New Langi Logan and Langi Logan South companies were the last to work on the field: the former closed down in 1925, the latter around 1922. In 1932 the New Langi Logan Deep Leads Company was formed; its leases covered most of the ground held by the two preceding companies. Water difficulties forced the new venture to close down before reaching the production stage.

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