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# Mount Elephant



L10154 Mount Elephant



L10154 Elephant's Hide

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## Location

DERRINALLUM VIC 3325 - Property No L10154

## Municipality

CORANGAMITE SHIRE

## Level of significance

State

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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Mt Elephant is one of the highest and one of the major scoria cones in the largest homogeneous volcanic plain on earth. The mountain today is a smooth, treeless landscape.

It has scientific, landscape, and historic significance.

State landscape value

It is one of the most significant landforms on Victoria's western volcanic plains. Impressive feature of the landscape located close to public viewing points, in particular the Hamilton Highway. It has a distinctive slope and shape which gives it its name.

The summit provides an excellent panorama of the basalt plains and other eruption points as well as a rare view of a crater not associated with phreatomagmatic eruption.

National scientific value

Mt Elephant is one of the most obvious volcanoes in Australia. It has conical form, steep sides, a crater and clear examples of volcanic ejecta are displayed in the quarries. It is the best example of a breached scoria cone in Victoria and possibly Australia. This is a major megacryst/xenolith site.

LOCATION:

Mt Elephant, 1km SW of Derrinallum, Hamilton Highway.

Hermes Number 70403

Property Number

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## **Extent of Registration**

Bounded on the north by the Hamilton Highway on the east by Lloyds Road on the south by Heads Road and on the west by Mt Elephant Road.

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

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