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# OLD NED'S GULLY ALLUVIAL WORKINGS AND PUDDLER

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## Location

NINE MILE ROAD RUSHWORTH, CAMPASPE SHIRE

## Municipality

CAMPASPE SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7824-0007

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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## What is significant?

Shallow alluvial mining landscape that reflects gold rush spacing of 8ft/12ft claims. The diggings are pronounced and visible and are associated with two dams and one puddling machine site.

## How is it significant?

Intactness: retains evidence of the key aspects of shallow alluvial diggings - shallow shafts, dams and a puddling machine site.

Integrity: a compact arrangement of shallow alluvial diggings that reflects the gold rush spacing of 8ft/12ft claims.

Condition: retained fabric in a condition that can be understood and interpreted

## Why is it significant?

The Victorian gold rush was a transformative 19th century global event. Shallow alluvial diggings are direct evidence of the human scale of a spectacular mid nineteenth century mass migration event.

Interpretation of Site	Shallow alluvial mining landscape that reflects gold rush spacing of 8ft/12ft claims. The diggings are pronounced and visible and are associated with two dams and one puddling machine site. These landscapes provide an understanding of the human scale of the Victorian gold rush.
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## History

Old Neds Gully was opened in 1858, one of several new alluvial gullies that helped revitalise the Rushworth goldfield. It was reported that the workings were still paying in 1860. At the end of 1864 there were 24 men working in the gully. In 1872 there was a brief rush to the "town end of Old Ned's Gully". Total gold production from the gully is not known. A large gold nugget weighing 30 oz 4 dwt 18 gr was reported from Old Neds Gully. *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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