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# YORK PLAINS HOMESTEAD

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## Location

YORK PLAINS ROAD YORK PLAINS, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7424-0009

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Interpretation of Site	The site is known to be occupied from 1844-1847, but artefact scatter suggests inhabitation for a longer period (possibly into the 20th century). It is known that Aboriginal people were employed by the Charles Creswick.
Archaeological Significance	The site is heavily disturbed and the artefacts are scattered over a wide area. It is unlikely that there is significant sub-surface deposits. The site is also of significance in its association with the Aboriginal site at Carrs Plains Homestead.
Historical Significance	The site has moderate significance for its ability to demonstrate early squatter life in the region. The site has the potential to demonstrate contact activity.
Hermes Number	104537
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## History

Major Mitchell passed 16km to the south of the York Plains area in July 1836. His accounts of good grazing brought the Charles and John Creswick to the area who established York Plains and Bayenya Runs in 1884. Charles Creswick built a substantial home and outbuilding at York Plains. The building was described as being located on 'a peculiarly shaped sand ridge that runs along the eastern bank of the Avon River (Glencross, cited in Campbell 1973: 16). The homestead was abandoned in 1847 after Charles death. The populations of the area was facilitated by the division of the large runs in the 1860s

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