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# Homestead Complex, 6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, BEAZLEYS BRIDGE



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## Location

6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road BEAZLEYS BRIDGE, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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The homestead complex, 6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, has significance as a moderately intact example of a Victorian vernacular styled building. Probably built in the late 19th century, the homestead complex reflects the farming developments of that era. Both buildings are in poor condition.

The homestead complex, 6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. Although altered, the homestead dwelling demonstrates some original design qualities of a Victorian style. These qualities include the broad hipped roof form, together with the encircling skillion verandah. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the galvanised corrugated steel roof cladding, rendered mud brick

wall construction, narrow eaves, face brick chimney, timber framed doorway and the timber framed double hung windows.

The outbuilding demonstrates original design qualities of a Victorian vernacular style. These qualities include the double gabled roof form clad in galvanised corrugated iron, vertical timber boarded wall cladding and vertical boarded timber doors.

The homestead complex, 6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with farm developments at Beazleys Bridge in the 19th century.

Overall, the homestead complex, 6476 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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## Physical Description 1

The homestead complex off the Navarre Road, Beazley's Bridge, consists of a homestead dwelling and nearby outbuilding. These buildings are situated in a rural setting, with the some exotic trees located at the front of the dwelling. There is also a palm tree towards the rear, together with large eucalypts and open grassed areas.

The single storey, rendered mud brick, Victorian styled dwelling is characterised by a broad hipped roof form, together with a rear hipped roof that projects to the side. This rear roof form appears to represent a later addition and has horizontal timber weatherboard wall cladding. The roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated iron. Narrow overhangs are features of the eaves, while the metal wall panelling under the eaves appear to have been introduced.

An early feature of the design is the encircling skillion verandah. It is also clad in galvanised corrugated steel and is supported by timber columns, with some steel columns introduced as replacements.

An early face brick chimney adorns the roofline, and is suffering considerable deterioration. There is a more recent c.1950s-60s cream brick chimney towards the rear.

Other early features of the design include the front timber framed doorway and the timber framed double hung windows.

The skillion verandah supported by cream brick piers and timber columns at the rear is a later addition.

The elevated single storey, Victorian vernacular styled outbuilding has a double gabled roof form clad in galvanised corrugated iron. The front of the building is clad in vertical timber boards and has an early opening with vertically boarded timber doors in poor condition. The front gable end is clad in horizontal timber weatherboards and galvanised corrugated iron. The rear gable is clad in galvanised corrugated iron also. Another feature of the rear gable is the ventilator.

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