BIG AND LITTLE PENINSULA TUNNELS

Location

WOODS POINT ROAD MCMAHONS CREEK, YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8022-0044

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of

Site

Tunnels have been constructed from local stone over two peninsulas. Area was mined by gold miners during 19th century rush, and now popilat picnic and swimming spots.

Historical Significance The site relates to the gold mining era in the region (mid 180s), specifically to Chinese gold miners. The site has had long use asd picnic and swimming grounds for the local community and tourists.

Archaeological Significance The area has been used consistantly since the mid 19th century and there is low potential for archaeological desposits to exist relating to Chinese gold miners and subsequent picnices from the late 1800s to present.

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10591

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: Both tunnels have been attributed to the Chinese miners of the Upper Yarra

gold rushes, dating from about the 1870s.

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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