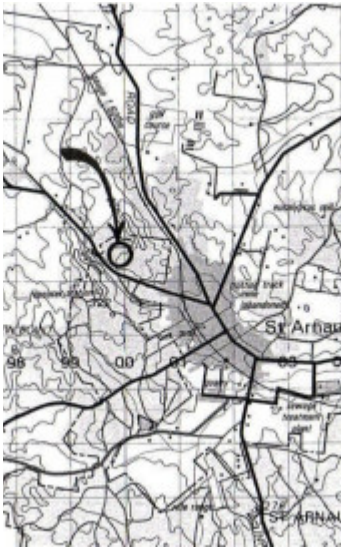


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# Bristol Reef Workings, Sunraysia Highway, ST ARNAUD



SD 253 - Map Name  
Swanwater North XE 999 465

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## Location

Sunraysia Highway ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7524-0055

## Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 30, 2004

The Bristol Reef Workings site has an open cut/stope, dating from the 1850s - 1860s period, quarried mullock heaps and an intact sludge pond.

The Bristol Reef Workings site is **historically** and **scientifically** important at a **LOCAL** level as a substantially intact example of an important gold mining technique. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria. Overall the Bristol Reef Workings site is of LOCAL significance.

RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: LOCAL

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

DESCRIPTION & INTERPRETATION:

Site 73.3. Gap/Bristol Reef (open cut probably dates to the earliest mining period c.1854/1860s).

Open cut/stope. 850 metres along Sunraysia Highway from its junction with Woolpack Dry

Weather Track (east side of highway) is a partly filled, but still very deep, open cut/stope (measures approximately 30 metres x 20 metres, and about 10 metres deep). Associated with the open cut/stope are some largely quarried mullock heaps.

Sludge pond. On the opposite side of the highway to the open cut/stope is a small intact sludge pond. A search of the area found no trace of any associated battery site.

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Site 73.3 has:

. Scientific Significance, because of the well preserved state of the open cut/stope.

*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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