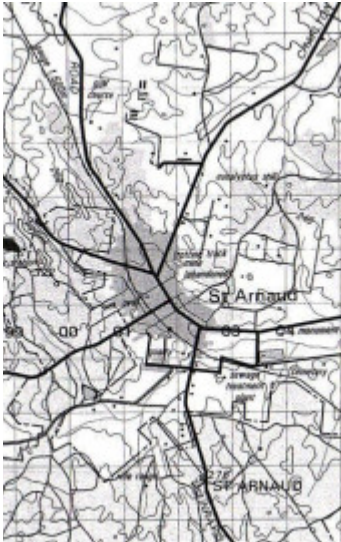


New Bendigo Diggings, Sunraysia Highway, ST ARNAUD



SD 255 - Swanwater North
XE 979 480

Location

Sunraysia Highway ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7524-0056

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

This New Bendigo Diggings are an are of 1850s shallow alluvial sinkings, which helped to establish St. Arnaud as a major goldfield.

The New Bendigo Diggings are **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 New Bendigo Diggings are 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 74.0. New Bendigo Diggings (Opened in early 1855, these diggings established St. Arnaud as a major goldfield). Shallow alluvial sinkings. Most of the old diggings have been obliterated by St. Arnaud Reservoir. A small patch of sinkings survived south-east of the reservoir. They are poorly defined and form part of a picnic area.

INTEGRITY/CONDITION: Poor.

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The site has:

Historical Significance, the New Bendigo alluvial diggings were responsible in establishing St. Arnaud as a major goldfield.

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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