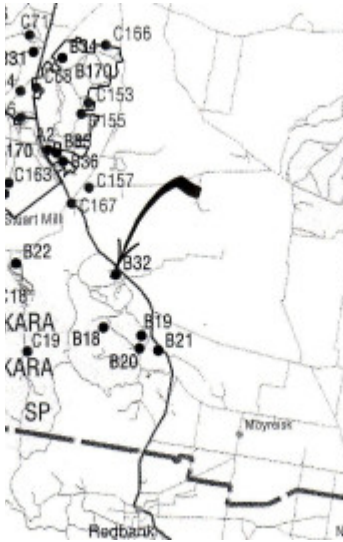


Alluvial Diggings, Victoria Gully, STUART MILL



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Victoria Gully, STUART MILL:
Map Name Redbank North
YE 056 209

Location

Victoria Gully STUART MILL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7524-0022

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 30, 2004

Activity at this site dates from the 1860s and after, and remains include shallow surfacing and a narrow band of well defined sinkings. The features are in comparatively good condition and have integrity which, together with nearby sites demonstrates different types of shallow alluvial mining.

The Alluvial Diggings, Victoria Gully 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 Alluvial Diggings, Victoria Gully 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

Victoria and associated gullies. There are patches and bands of shallow alluvial sinkings in most of the gullies that drain into the west side of Cherry Tree Creek. The following sites are only a sample of what exists in the area.

Site 59.3. Shallow alluvial workings (surfacing and sinkings). Probably dates to the mid to late nineteenth century. Shallow alluvial sinkings. Running west from the north end of Cherry Tree Track is a narrow band of well defined shallow sinkings. The band runs for some 250 metres before getting lost in a wide scrubby flat. The gully slope, on the north side, has been surfaced.

INTEGRITY/CONDITION: All the sites have good integrity.

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Sites 59.0 to 59.3 have :

. Accumulative Scientific Significance-not only are the sites relatively undisturbed, but together they demonstrate different types of shallow alluvial mining. The significance of this group of alluvial sites is increased by the inclusion of the nearby cemented lead workings (Site 58.1) into the network.

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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