
Bump Tunnel

Location

Big Pat's Creek to Powelltown Walk, Powelltown VIC 3797

Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8022-0059

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO284

Heritage Listing

Yarra Ranges Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 5, 2000

The Bump Tunnel is of State significance as the largest tunnel of its kind in Victoria, representing a substantial engineering achievement. It provided the crucial link between the Powelltown mill and La Trobe River Valley. (Supple 1991)

Heritage Study/Consultant Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000;

Other Names The Bump Tunnel,

Hermes Number 115178

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The saddle which is called 'The Bump' divides the Little Yarra valley from the Latrobe River valley. A 313m long, timber-lined tunnel, about 2.8m wide and 4.0m high with a centrally located vent shaft. Build in 1925 to take timber loads through, rather than over this obstacle. Tunnel entrances are still visible but closed. On the surface are several cave-ins created when the tunnel was deliberately collapsed to seal it for 'safety reasons'. (Supple 1991)

Physical Conditions

Fair

Integrity

Altered

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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