# **COCK'S PIONEER SLUICING WORKS**

#### Location

STAR LANE WOORAGEE, INDIGO SHIRE

### **Municipality**

INDIGO SHIRE

### Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8225-0084

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site Heritage Inventory Interpretation:

Hermes Number 11628

**Property Number** 

## History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

From 1899-1913, Cocks Pioneer Sluicing Co. reworked by barge-mounted gravel pump much of the deep alluvial ground previously worked by the deep shafts of the Kneebone (1859-72) and McEvoy (1859-79, 1890-1901) mines. From 1903, the Cock's Pioneer dredge was driven by electricity generated at a steam power plant. The company was re-formed as Cock's Pioneer Gold and Tin Mines NL in 1914 and carried on large-scale hydraulic sluicing operations until 1929, and then again from 1934-41. In 1935, the Cocks Pioneer ranked as the second highest dividend-paying mine in Victoria. In total, it produced 3,650 kg of gold.

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