
PORT FAIRY-HAMILTON ROAD BRIDGE & FORMER ROAD

Location

1708 PORT FAIRY-HAMILTON ROAD PORT FAIRY, MOYNE SHIRE

Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7321-0043

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site

Transportation in the region would have developed from the mid-19th century during the development of Port Fairy and surrounding pastoral region. Port Fairy is situated on the edge of the Volcanic Plain and as such may have provided a ready source of basalt from which the bridge could be constructed. Port Fairy-Hamilton Road Bridge/Culvert & Former Road is an example of transportation infrastructure in the Port Fairy/Orford region.

Archaeological Significance

Port Fairy -Hamilton Road Bridge/Culvert & Former Road may have some potential for archaeological deposits in association with the structural features. There is some limited potential for the site complex to provide information relating to the construction of bridges, roads & culverts in the region. As such the archaeological significance of the site is moderate.

Historical Significance	Port Fairy-Hamilton Road Bridge/Culvert & Former Road is most likely associated with the mid-late 19th Century pastoral development of the Port Fairy region and the associated need for reliable transport routes between pastoral properties and the costal port. As such is assessed as being of moderate historical significance.
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History

Port Fairy was frequented by early sealers and whalers in the early 19th century and developed into a township after the introduction of the short lived Special Survey scheme. In 1847 pre-emptive rights were introduced and followed by closer settlement schemes in attempts to break up the large landholdings of squatters. Transportation between inland pastoral holdings and the coastal port would have become more reliable in the mid-late 19th century.

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