MOSQUITO GULLY SURFACING OR SHALLOW ALLUVIAL SINKINGS

Location

RESERVOIR ROAD SNAKE VALLEY, PYRENEES SHIRE

Municipality

PYRENEES SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0339

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11747

Property Number

History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

01.1858: gold was discovered on public land at what became known as Mosquito Gully south of Snake Valley. Pay dirt was found at 9 feet and 3 to 4 dwt was washed from one tub. This ground was rushed by 2000 miners and was pegged out for half a mile.

1906: a rush ensued when a miner sunk a shaft at the northern end of Mosquito Gully and struck gold; quite a few miners struck alluvial gold at a depth of 15 to 17 feet, there were many Chinese working along Mosquito Gully; they built a dam at the southern end of the gully using wheelbarrows; they carted gravel to the dam where it was sluiced to extract the fine gold, which was found in the gravel to a depth of 17 feet.

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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