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# GOLDFIELDS CONSOLIDATED EARLY BATTERY SITE

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## Location

BURNS STREET SPRING GULLY, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7724-0319

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

1905: Bendigo District: The North Bendigo Co, the next one north, is doing some good prospecting work, as also is the Nell Gwynne Co. Then comes the Goldfields Consolidated Co. which has a payable lode, and expects shortly to erect a battery.

1906 Bendigo District: At the Goldfields Consolidated Co's mine a large amount of prospecting work has been done

1907: Bendigo District: The Goldfields Consolidated Co., in addition to developmental work has erected a new winding plant. The depth of the shaft is 600 feet. 8,410 tons for 3,265ozs. The proceeds, in addition to paying ordinary working expenses, from the above have been devoted to the erection of a winding plant and battery at a cost amounting to about £7,000.

1909. Bendigo District: The Goldfields Consolidated Co - 12,377/3,238ozs/£1,000.

18 June 1909: Goldfields Consolidated ... The reefs opened up have been operated on fairly extensively and up to the present time the company has milled 29,533 tons/8625ozs gold/average 6dwt per ton ... The property possesses a battery.

1912, May 17: Bendigo Goldfield - Mines on the southern extension ... the Nel Gwynne line has received most attention. The most productive of the mines in the group has been the Victoria Proprietary, New Chum Goldfields, Goldfields Consolidated, Nell Gwynne and North Bendigo.

... The only company at present pioneering the deep ground is the Goldfields Consolidated. This company is sinking its shaft, and at the present depth - about 1285 feet - is in the vicinity of the centre country.

1912: Gold-fields Consolidated - shaft sinking, prospecting shallow levels, and crushing low grade ore.

1913: Nell Gwynne line ... Goldfields Consolidated Co - To enable the Co. to continue to sink the main shaft the Department has advanced a sum of £2,500.

1914: Goldfields Consolidated Co. - several parties of tributers working.

1915, September 7: Bendigo Mining Companies - Dividends, Calls and Scrip Values - The war census, which is now being taken, and the income tax schedules, which will shortly have to be filled in, impose on holders of mining scrip the responsibility of recording dividend received and the amount paid in calls, together with a statement of the value of scrip held. In order to assist the investing public in the compilation of the statistics we have compiled the records of the Bendigo mining companies. The following is the list of Bendigo mining companies: [including] Goldfields Consolidated.

1936: Goldfields Consolidated - This shaft was sunk to 1,600 feet and yielded 9,762 oz. of gold from 36,571 tons crushed, while £7,324 was paid in dividends. At 410 feet a crosscut west cut a small formation, and at the 730-foot level a saddle reef was cut.

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