STEELE CREEK TRIBUTARY BRIDGE RUIN

Location

OPERATIONS ROAD MELBOURNE AIRPORT, HUME CITY

Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0338

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 30, 2010

Data has been updated as a result of the Outer Western Metro Project, Context, March 2010.

The site comprises the remains of a historic bluestone bridge across a small stream which joins Steele Creek approximately 5km to the south.

Interpretation of Site

The bridge is constructed in dry laid bluestone blocks, which have been roughly squared, with rubble chinking between the courses. The main surviving section of wall, facing into the stream on its eastern bank, survives to three courses. On the same side, to the north of the bridge, a line of fieldstone revetting channels the stream into a channel approximately one metre in width.

On the opposite side of the channel, the bridge does not survive to the same degree. But to its immediate west runs a line of stone revetment which may represent the edge of a roadway or terrace.

Running almost from the current line of Operations Road, a line of bluestones extends in the direction of the bridge. This is most likely a drain.

Archaeological Significance

The site has been damaged by pipe installation but still retains a low potential for associated archaeological deposits.

Historical Significance The site is of some significance as part of a historic route running west to east, perhaps in the direction of Broadmeadows. It has been largely removed from its historic context by the development of Melbourne Airport to the north west.

Hermes Number

12400

Property Number

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