
Anthony's Cutting (surrounds of Djeriwarrah Bridge)



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Location

Western Highway HOPETOUN PARK, MOORABOOL SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO148

Heritage Listing

Moorabool Shire

Statement of Significance

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Early major engineering works to establish Anthony's Cutting and the approaches to the Djerriwarrah Bridge in 1858-9, enabling a descent down the steep escarpment into Bacchus Marsh, on the Ballarat Road route to the gold fields.

The site is of local historical significance in demonstrating the effect of government action on development of the Bacchus Marsh community and on the route to Ballarat and the gold fields, hence influential on the development of this place and others along the route of the road and as being a pioneering engineering achievement.

It is also of local social significance as a landmark, used by the community for orientation.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Moorabool - Bacchus Marsh Heritage Study 1995, Richard Peterson and Daniel Catrice, 1995; |
| Construction dates | 1853, 1858, |
| Hermes Number | 124322 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Remnants of former road alignments survive beside present freeway. These have evidence of cuttings, embankments and former road surfaces, and are believed to date from the 1950s realignment, earlier earthworks, having been buried or destroyed by the later construction. An exception to this is the approaches to the Djerriwarrh Creek Bridge (ref 351), which probably relate to the original construction of the road in 1858-9, although it would have been re-metalled several times. (Refer: maps). "

Historical Australian Themes

Transport

Physical Conditions

CONDITIONS & THREATS:

Excellent condition.

Intactness

Although only traces survive, there is physical evidence of early routes .

SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:

FORM.

ENGINEERING STRUCTURE.

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