SOUTH GIPPSLAND SAWMILL AND TRAMWAY CO

Location

15 YARRAGON SOUTH ROAD YARRAGON, BAW BAW SHIRE

Municipality

BAW BAW SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8121-0040

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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Regionally significant as tramway largely responsible for the cleared and grassed escarpment of the northern fall of the Strzlecki near Yarragon today.

Interpretation of Site

The tramway formation linked a sawmill of the south Gippsland sawmill and tramway company at the top of the escarpment with another mill at the bottom. Another tramway linked this lower mill to the railway station at Yarragon.

Hermes Number

12668

Property Number

History

THE SOUTH GIPPSLAND SAWMILL AND TRAMWAY COMPANY WAS REGISTERED IN 1882 WITH A SMALL STEAM SWMILL AT THE FOOT OF THE ESCARPMENT SOUTH OF YARRAGON AND 1.5KM OF LOG TRAMWAY BEHIND THE MILL. A SECOND MILL WAS ESTABLISHED ON THE TOP OF THE RANGE BY 1883. THE COMPANY WAS WOUND UP IN 1886. THE SAWMILL AND TRAMWAY WERE PURCHASED BY MILLER BROTHERS & CO, BUT THE MILL WAS FORCED BY ECONOMIC CONDITIONS TO CLOSE IN 1889. THE TRAMWAY REMAINED IN PARTIAL USE BY SELECTORS UNTIL 1897.

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