STRINGERS CREEK, WALHALLA

Location

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Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8122-0107

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO8

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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Significant because of its association with gold production in Victoria. Has the ability to demonstrate a series of different construction techniques and engineering methods of flood mitigation. Has the potential to yield archaeological information on late 1800s isolated mining township and building techniques in late 19th century steep valley.

Interpretation of Site

Almost the entire creek from the Chinese gardens in the north to the railway reserve in the south is sensitive for historial archaeology. The creek banks and bed are a palimpsest of the history of the European use of the creek with elements from mining, housing, industrym civic works and flood mitigation along the creek where it runs through the town.

Hermes Number

Property Number

History

European activity began with the discovery of gold in the area in 1863. The township, of which the creek in the deep, incised valley is an integral part, was at its peak in the late 1800s. Floods have altered the course of the creek, as well as destroying many buildings in the town, over several years. The course of the creek was altered in the southern section, after 1952 floods. Walhalla was one of the main gold producing areas in Victoria between 1885 and 1908

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