
FORMER BRAVINGTON RAILWAY STATION

Location

WEST OF BRANDY CREEK ROAD BRAVINGTON, BAW BAW SHIRE

Municipality

BAW BAW SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8021-0048

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO164

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site

The site of Bravington Railway Station. A clearing to the north west was probably the location of the platform and structures, but no evidence was observed at the site apart from a few scattered bluestones.

Archaeological Significance

The station site has been largely undisturbed since the track and buildings were removed, and related deposits and foundations may survive.

Historical Significance

The site is significant for its association with the Warragul to Noojee branch line of the Gippsland Railway.

Hermes Number

156490

Property Number

History

The broad gauge line to Noojee was built to service the timber industry in the upper Latrobe River area, transporting timber as well as providing a general goods and passenger service to townships in the area.

Following the opening of the Gippsland mainline, townships along the upper reaches of the Latrobe River began to petition for a branch line to be built to service the area. By 1885 a route had been approved by Parliament, and the line from Warragul to Rokeby (then known as Jinkivick) opened on 12 May 1890, and this had been extended as far north as Noojee by 1919.

By June 1930, Victorian Railways, faced with mounting losses, announced the closure of the daily passenger rail service, and from that time goods traffic was reduced to just three trains per week. The line beyond Nayook was finally closed on 27th March 1954. However, the line between Warragul and Nayook was kept open for a further four years in order to ship rock ballast for the duplication and electrification of the main line beyond Warragul. During this time it also provided special services, such as a service to Warragul during the visit of Queen Elizabeth II. After closure, the tracks and station buildings along the line were dismantled and many sections of the right of way were sold off.

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