Nil Desperandum Mine and Gravel Reserve (mullock heap and filled shaft)



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Location

Lot 2 Lincoln Street and 48 Lincoln Street RAYWOOD, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO639

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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The site is associated with quartz mining at Raywood and the success of the mine, in terms of its production levels and yields, contributed to the development of the township (criterion A). The site also has potential to educate and illustrate a relatively well-preserved mining site with foundations most likely dating to the period 1906-1916 (criterion C).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Marong Heritage Study 1999, Andrew Ward and Associates, 1999;
Hermes Number	197472
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Just inside the boundary fence of a private property is a large brick winding engine foundation, 25 feet by 10 feet and 4 feet high. Constructed of hand-made bricks set in a concrete mortar, this foundation has been modified or repaired with concrete at its northern end. The upper course of bricks has been removed, exposing long sections of 2-inch diameter mounting bolts. Small brick foundations lie either side of the large foundation, the western one capped with thick concrete. Two boiler depressions are visible to the west of the engine foundations. 5 metres east, at ground-level, is a concrete engine foundation with protruding 1¼ inch mounting bolts. Running east from this foundation is a line of timber battery stumps set in rough concrete footings. The stumps are grouped in four sets, representing the site of a 20-head battery. A remnant of a large mullock heap lies south of the engine foundations, on Crown land. The foundations have been modified and are partially hidden by trees. Access is also restricted by boundary fences.

Physical Description 2

The rectangular site is bounded by a local road to the north and extends southwards for 30 metres over a distance 5 metres either side of the extremities of the machinery foundations.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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