SHINING STAR GOLD MINING COMPANY

Location

OLD WARBURTON ROAD WARBURTON, YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8022-0139

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 27, 2022

What is significant?

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Why is it significant?

Hermes Number 208871

Property Number

History

The 'Shining Star Gold Mining Company' is located on the Old Warburton Road along Yankee Jim's Creek, the site was first mined by Gideon Scott Lang who obtained a lease in 1873. This mining licence was suspended in 1884, three years after Lang's death. The Yarra Yarra Hydraulic sluicing company occupied the site for an unknown period, then in 1892 Louis Edouard Duclos applied for the leasehold and it became the 'Shining Star Gold Mining Company' in 1894. In 1902 the Mining property, leases, machinery and plan were auctioned for sale.

Components of the place will include a north open entrance with associated mullock heap and tunnels, other collapsed openings. To gully in the east a tramway with 10 head battery, waterwheel and water race. There are two large shafts at the top of the hill and tailings are also described.

The Yarra Yarra Hydraulic sluicing company is on HO342 (Shire of Yarra Ranges). It is noted to be of high local historical significance and archaeological significance. The site card was submitted by a local enthusiast and the spatial data submitted with the application is unclear and will need to be clarified. I have been unable to find any historical evidence relating to the site.

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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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