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# TRY AGAIN COMPANY'S BATTERY SITE

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## Location

OFF BARKSTEAD ROAD, WOMBAT STATE FOREST

## Municipality

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1259

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The battery site with its large stone mounting bed/boiler setting, site of mortar blocks, battery sand heap, tramway cutting, water race and pond.

### How is it significant?

The site is significant because it is associated with Victoria's 19th-century gold mining industry. This industry was driving force in the economic and social development of Victoria.

### Why is it significant?

The battery site is representative of a small scale operation. The site is an early one and is well preserved.

Interpretation of Site	Battery site that was operated by a mining company in the mid 1870s. Possibly was used as a public crushing works for some time after the mine closed.
Other Names	Try Again Quartz Mining Company,
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## History

The Try Again Company was formed in 1873. A 10-head battery with engine and steam boiler was purchased in Feb 1874. Mining involved excavating a cutting and sinking a shaft. A tunnel (most likely for haulage purposes) was driven to intersect with the shaft. Water for the battery and steam boiler was supplied by a short water race and the ore conveyed to the battery along a tramway.

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