
KLONDYKE ADIT

Location

SOUTH OF POTTERY TRACK, BARRY'S REEF

Municipality

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1261

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

Adit and associated features

How is it significant?

Significant due to its association with the Victorian Gold Rush and development of the State's 19th century quartz mining industry.

Why is it significant?

Quartz reefs have been mined for gold in Victoria since the early 1850s and have been, by far, the State's primary source of gold. Most quartz mines associated with the gold-mining industry today had their origins in the 19th century. Economic forces and technological change have resulted in cycles of exploration, development, mining and closure. In effect, Victoria's quartz mines – not just as a collective resource, but down to the same shafts, adits, and even refuse – have been in active use and potential re-use for close to 170 years.

Interpretation of Site Adit driven for the purposes of mining quartz gold

Hermes Number 209432

Property Number

History

No historical information was able to be found for this site. The Klondyke adit is shown on one late 19th-century gold map (see attachment) held by the Geological Survey of Victoria (Earth Resources Regulation)

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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