ALBION QUARTZ MINE

Location

NUGGET TRACK THAT RUNS SOUTH FROM YANKEE ROAD, WOMBAT STATE FOREST

Municipality

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1265

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

1870s quartz mine which still retains enough visible evidence to interpret the layout of the mining operations - mullock heap, shaft, pumping and winding machinery sites and site of battery.

How is it significant?

Site is related to the story of Victoria's 19th century gold rush and the developing of quartz gold mining during the late 19th-century

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Interpretation of Site 1970s quartz mine that was not a successful mining venture.

Hermes Number 209436

Property Number

History

1873 - mine commences with plans to sink a shaft 200 feet, install two steam engines for winding, pumping and crushing (12-head of stamps). 200ft square area of ground was cleared of timber. Water race cut from Ration's Gully. Company purchased part of the Trojan's Company's battery which was to be driven by a portable engine. 1874 - mine had two 16-inch steam engines and two boilers. Stone was being burnt in a kiln. Returns from initial crushings were very poor. 1879: The mine was abandoned and machinery removed.

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