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# EVELYN TUNNEL

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## Location

Pound Bend Road WARRANDYTE, Manningham City

## Municipality

MANNINGHAM CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1260

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO141

## Heritage Listing

Manningham City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Pound Bend Gold Diversion Tunnel is a diversion which was excavated in 1870 by the Evelyn Tunnelling and Mining Company. The tunnel was used to divert the waters of the Yarra River effectively cutting off a long section of the original river course. The dry river bed was extensively worked.

How is it significant?

The Pound Bend Gold Diversion Tunnel is of historical, and scientific importance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The Pound Bend Gold Diversion Tunnel is historically and scientifically important as a characteristic and well preserved example of an early form of gold mining. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria. Water diversion and sluicing are important key

ingredients in an understanding of gold mining technology as it was employed in mountainous country where water was plentiful and perennial.

SOURCE Victorian Heritage Register On-Line 11 July, 2000 ([www.heritage.vic.gov.au](http://www.heritage.vic.gov.au))

Heritage Study/Consultant Manningham - Manningham Heritage Study Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2006;

Other Names Pound Bend Gold Diversion Tunnel,

Hermes Number 22652

Property Number

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## Historical Australian Themes

Local Themes

4.01 - Gold mining

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