LYNE CREEK ROAD BRIDGE



23629 Lyne Creek Bridge Nth Byaduk 0637



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Location

Branxholme-Byaduk Road BYADUK NORTH, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 1, 2004

What is significant?

The Lyne bridge is located on the Byaduk-Branxholme Road over the Lyne Creek about 250m west of the intersection with the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road. The bridge is a single span concrete bridge with four rockfaced bluestone parapets piers and curved bluestone abutments. The concrete span replaced a timber span and modern corrugated metal rails have replaced timber rails between the parapet piers. Other than some painting, the bridge retains a high degree of integrity. The exact date of the construction of the pair of stone bridges over Lyne Creek on the Byaduk-Branxholme Road and the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road at Byaduk North is not known. Such expensive construction would have been the responsibility of the Dundas Road Board District, created in 1857 or, more probably, of the Shire of Dundas created in 1863. On the other hand, the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road is a very old route, dating from the early 1840s and the Lyne Creek was always a major crossing.

How is it significant?

The Lyne Creek bridge is of architectural and historical importance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Lyne Creek bridge is of historical significance for its associations with major transport route the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road, important from the early 1840s. The bridge is of architectural significance for its fine construction techniques and finishes.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1863,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23629
Property Number	

Physical Conditions

The bridge is in fair condition.

Physical Description 1

Lyne Creek bridge is a single span concrete bridge with four bluestone parapets piers and curved bluestone abutments. The concrete span replaced a timber span and modern corrugated metal rails have replaced timber rails between the parapet piers. The stone is rock-faced. The top and inner faces of the parapet walls of the bridge have been outlined in white paint. Otherwise the bridge retains a high degree of integrity. It is similar to the arched bluestone road bridge over Scott's Creek at Byaduk and the nearby bridge, now compromised, over Lyne Creek on the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3 Developing local, regional and national economies 3.8 Moving goods and people 3.8.7 Building and maintaining roads

Usage/Former Usage

In current use as a road bridge

Integrity

Good degree of integrity although the timber deck has been replaced with concrete.

Physical Description 2

Road Reserve on north side of Brisbane Hill Pre-emptive Right

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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