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# TURTON'S CREEK GOLDFIELD



Trove: RAF Murray; 31 July  
1875

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## Location

TURTON'S CREEK ROAD, TURTONS CREEK, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO11

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The Turton's Creek Goldfield, discovered by Mr. Oldham and Mr. Furness, along Turton's Creek Road, Turton's Creek, is significant. These rich alluvial goldfields were established on the banks of Turton's Creek from the 1870s and reputedly delivered approximately 60,000oz of gold during the main workings. Much of the evidence for the mining activities have now been covered by dense foliage. Any remaining mine shafts, tailings, and earthworks related to mining or a mining settlement is significant.

**How is it significant?**

Turton's Creek Goldfields, along Turton's Creek, are of historical and archaeological significance to the South Gippsland Shire.

**Why is it significant?**

The Turton's Creek Goldfields are significant in demonstrating the importance of gold mining in South Gippsland in the late 19th Century. This area of Turton's Creek was subject to aggressive alluvial mining which made the area well known within Victoria. (Criterion A)

Archaeologically, the Turton's Creek Goldfields may yield significant information regarding the alluvial mining that took place in this area in the 1870s and the kind of people and settlements that were part of these goldfields. (Criterion C).

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1870,
Hermes Number	34702
Property Number	

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