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# BELTONS BRIDGE

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## Location

KULKYNE TRACK HATTAH, MILDURA RURAL CITY

## Municipality

MILDURA RURAL CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7328-0012

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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Although unconfirmed, Beltons Bridge is a tangible reminder of Australias involvement in World war II, in particular the housing and use of Prisoner of War labour in rural Victoria. The site is considered to be of low scientific significance as the fabric and structure are in poor condition. The site may be of local significance due to its wartime associations.

Interpretation of Site    Structure can be viewed as the remains of a wooden bridge used to cross Chalka Creek.

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## History

Although there is no documentary evidence to support this statement, it is believed that Belton Bridge was constructed by Italian POWs during the period c. 1942 to 1945. Prisoners were commonly employed in rural areas and an interment camp was located in Hallah Kulkyne NP.

*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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