
Railway Viaduct No 2 over Jacksons Creek



B2644 Railway Viaduct No 2

Location

North of 'Rupertswood',, SUNBURY VIC 3429 - Property No B2644

Municipality

HUME CITY

Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1692

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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What is significant? The Rail Bridge was constructed by Cornish & Bruce c1861 on the Melbourne-Bendigo line, for the Victorian Railways. It is a 3 span, wrought iron box girder superstructure supported on tapering basalt piers, supporting a double rail track deck. In 1917, stepped brick intermediary piers were added as additional support to the deck to cater for the increasing weight of the new engines and freight loads.

How is it significant? The Rail Bridge is historically and architecturally significant to the State of Victoria

Why is it significant? The Rail Bridge is historically significant for its associations with the opening of the 'main trunk lines', Victoria's first railway lines (c1857-1869). These were the formative years of railway development in

Victoria.

The Rail Bridge is also architecturally significant, as a representative and essentially intact example of a mid-19th century railway bridge. The bridge is a notable element in the landscape and is of particular interest for the vermiculated pier caps to the tapering basalt piers, and for the stepped brick intermediary piers. The bridge demonstrates a distinctive method of bridge construction.

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Classified: 11/03/1971

See also B5323 Melbourne to Echuca Railway Line.

Hermes Number 65940

Property Number

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