

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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Bridge over Hughes Creek



B1743 Hughes Bridge Hume Hwy Avenel

Location

Old Hume Highway, AVENEL, STRATHBOGIE SHIRE

Municipality

STRATHBOGIE SHIRE

Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1445

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 29, 2008

The Hughes Creek Bridge was erected in 1859 by the Board of Land and Works, and replaced a timber bridge erected in 1874. The contractor was Hugh Dalrymple. It is constructed in rusitcated sandstone and comprises six segmental arches supported on piers. The restrictive width of the Bridge resulted in the consturction of a new bridge over Hughes' Creek in 1970.

This is a fine example of nineteenth century bridge design. It is superbly constructed and stands as a monument

to the early stonemasons and road engineers of Victoria. It is well composed and articulated by rusticated voussoirs, imposts and string courses and is notable for its number of arches. The fine quality stone and stonework is a distinctive feature. The bridge is picturesquely situated in a park-like setting. The bridge survives intact and shows little sign of structural decay. It is presently used solely for pedestrian traffic.

Classified: 16/06/1966

Hermes Number 69742

Property Number

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