Myers Road

Location

Myers Road, MERRICKS NORTH VIC 3926 - Property No L10068

Municipality

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

Level of significance

Local

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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Myers Road represents a diminishing State resource of vegetated road reserve combined with typical Mornington Peninsula rolling landscape. The protection of this resource, which has biological and scientific as well as aesthetic importance, is essential to the maintenance of remnant ecosystems of the area.

Aesthetic Value

The 1975 Recorded Landscape Citation (National Trust, 1975) referred to the landscape value of Myers Road as follows: "Something of the Peninsula's essential character and variety is provided by these roadside reserves. There is a crisp interface between the natural and the man-made, and the eye is teased by occasional glimpses of long distance views. Fine elevated views over the Western Port Bay and Phillip Island can be observed from the western sector of the road". In terms of its aesthetic value, Myers Road is of Local Significance.

Historic Value

Myers Road is of Local Significance as an example of the early Crown subdivision of the southern Mornington Peninsula and of the 1970s community action to maintain the vegetation on the reserve.

Scientific Value

Context Pty Ltd (1996) provided a useful study of the conservation value of the Peninsula roadsides, including Myers Road. From this report, it is clear that, despite the narrow verges on Myers Road, the powerlines along part of its length, and the presence of weed species, several sections of the roadside retain attractive remnants of the Messmate Stringybark dominated Sclerophyll Forest. In one section there is a partial canopy and a relatively

intact understorey. On the south side, east of Balnarring Road, the adjoining Buckleys Nature Reserve provides continuity of natural vegetation. Context (1996) ranked the conservation value of the vegetation as "high" or "medium" along about 1.5 kilometres of the 6 kilometres between Coolart Road and Tubbarubba Road.

In terms of the remnant flora which it contains, Myers Road is of Local Significance for its scientific value.

Social Value

Myers Road serves a local community. It carries low traffic volumes relative to more major roads nearby, and it is of Local Significance.

LOCATION:

Myers Road from Coolart Road to Tubbarubba Road (Balnarring North and Merricks North).

Hermes Number 70332

Property Number

Extent of Registration

The road verges, from the edge of the road formation to the property boundaries, on both sides of Myers Road.

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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