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# Menzies Creek Valley



L10108 Ridge Rd Kallista

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## Location

MENZIES CREEK VIC 3159 - Property No L10108

## Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

## Level of significance

Local

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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The Belgrave-Gembrook Road tourist route is an important scenic route in the Dandenong Ranges, particularly in association with the Puffing Billy Railway line. The valley is significant due to the variety of attractive views obtained from the road, the panoramic views from Johns Hill, and the remnant creek-side vegetation, especially at the site of botanical significance at the eastern end of the valley.

This diverse valley is highly visible from the Belgrave-Gembrook Road presenting a variety of scenic attractions for the traveller.

The lush green fern gullies in the areas of native vegetation beside the creek provide a refreshing contrast to the open grasslands that cover most of the valley.

At present a local supply reservoir is being constructed within the valley and although it is not visible from the Belgrave-Gembrook Road, it is in the foreground of the view from one of the boundary ridges - Johns Hill. The panoramic view over Cardinia Reservoir from this hill, with Menzies Creek Valley falling away steeply is quite

outstanding.

A site of botanical interest is located at the eastern end of the valley on the Menzies Creek walking track and it contains one of the most southerly recorded instances of Mountain Ash in the Dandenong Ranges. It is suggested that this unusual occurrence is a relic of a period when Mountain Ash was much more widely distributed. In botanical terms, this site is regarded as historically important.

See also: B2960, L10112

Classified 2/03/1981

Hermes Number 70370

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