
SPECIMEN GULLY SITE 1 - BARKERS CREEK

Location

SPECIMEN GULLY TRACK BARKERS CREEK, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0228

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO686

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Specimen Gully Gold Memorial is a slate obelisk erected in 1931 to commemorate the discovery of gold nearby which precipitated the rush to the Mount Alexander goldfield which in turn provided the main impetus for the great Australian gold rush.

How is it significant?

The Specimen Gully Gold Memorial is of historical importance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The Specimen Gully Gold Memorial is historically important for its symbolic associations with the discovery of gold in the Castlemaine area. Although there had been earlier discoveries of gold in Australia it was the Mount Alexander find which in particular fired the world's imagination and led to one of the greatest mass movements of

population in history and was of crucial importance in Victoria's development.

[Source: Victorian Heritage Register.]

Hermes Number 7901

Property Number

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