COUNTESS COMPANY

Location

COUNTESS TRACK LERDERDERG, MOORABOOL SHIRE

Municipality

MOORABOOL SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0501

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 8157

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: The mine, on Union Reef, was being worked by the North Star Company in the late 1870s. This company was reported to be operating a steam-powered crushing plant in 1879. The North Star Company appears to had previously known as the Empress Co. In 1881 the mine was being worked by the Countess Company (late North Star) who had erected steam-powered pumping and winding plant. Two years later the company were reported as operating a 18-head stamping battery which was crushing ore from Big Reef. The company appears to have not mined profitably and by 1886 had been wound up and its plant sold off.

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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