
ELPHINSTONE TIMBER MILL

Location

SWIFTS ROAD ELPHINSTONE, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0584

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 8212

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: This was the site of a timber mill from 1923 to 1928, when all of the standing red gum on the Coliban Park property was purchased for milling. A timber tramway was constructed to bring the timber from Coliban Park to the mill at Elphinstone. The mill was built adjacent to the Melbourne-Bendigo railway for the easy transportation of the milled timber, and a railway siding ran into the site. The site comprised a large sawmill, a smaller mill for sawing offcuts into firewood, a charcoal burning operation (worked by Italian workers), a mill manager's house (still standing) and a boarding house to provide accommodation for the workers. The guesthouse was later moved from Fryes Road to its present location north of the Post Office and general store.

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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