
COLIBAN WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

Location

CRUSOE ROAD KANGAROO FLAT, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7724-0270

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site

Heritage Inventory Interpretation: The structure consist of a set of six, cast iron sluice gates, four of which would discharge water from the Aquaduct into a spillway to the east, flowing down a gully that joins the previously mentioned erosion gully which supplied the mining aquaduct recorded above. Two further sluices would regulate the flow of water downstream, into the reservoir. The structure is brick and is of the style of construction as original brickwork at the no 7 and Crusoe Reservoirs. It can be seen to older than the concrete lining of the aquaduct, which was completed in 1937. The most suggestive archaeological find in this area is a poorly defined contour channel of probable mining aquaduct. The channel was traced from a corner in the boundary fence to the south, where it appears to have been fed from a now almost entirely destroyed dam in an eroded gully that skirts the Coliban Water boundary. The inferred mining aquaduct swings due east, then turns north to pass through the boundary again. It would probably have been originally a spade's width and depth (a spit) The width of the channel depression (which is now fallen in and filled and filled and quite shallow) was measured as 50 cm and the spoil, placed on the down slope side, a further 100 cm wide. Two modern spades were measured as 16 and 19 wide by 24 and 27 cm deep respectively, while a heavy duty pointed nose shovel was 23 by 28 cm. Presumably the latter corresponds more closely with the nineteenth century miners tool.

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