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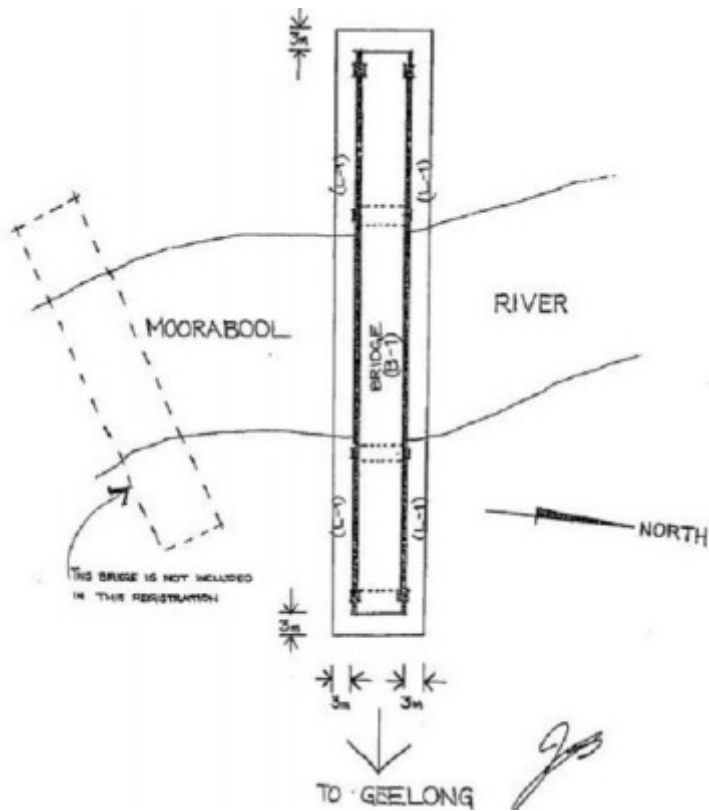
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fyansford side view jul1984



bridge over moorabool river  
fyansford front elevation  
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## Location

OVER MOORABOOL RIVER, HAMILTON HIGHWAY FYANSFORD, GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1108

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO88

## VHR Registration

August 20, 1982

## Amendment to Registration

September 14, 1995

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 5, 1999

The currently unused road bridge over the Moorabool River at Fyansford was designed and built by Melbourne engineers, Monash & Anderson in 1899. The bridge which was built for the Shires of Corio and Bannockburn, consists of three arches that are constructed of reinforced concrete.

The Bridge over Moorabool River, Fyansford is of architectural, historic and scientific significance to Victoria.

The Fyansford Bridge is technologically significant as an extraordinary example of the revolutionary concrete construction technology developed in Europe in the late nineteenth century and known as the "Monier" principle. The bridge is important in the history of bridge building and its construction technique led to the increased use of concrete for many new structures.

The Bridge, which was designed and constructed by the Melbourne engineers, Monash & Anderson, is architecturally significant as Victoria's second oldest reinforced concrete bridge after the Morell Bridge over the Yarra River, Melbourne. It was however the first of the two to be completed and hence was first in use.

The Bridge is historically important for its association with Sir John Monash, prominent Melbourne soldier, engineer & administrator and JTN Anderson, the engineer who handled this work. Monash & Anderson was the leading designer of concrete bridges between 1897 and 1902. Monash later monopolised concrete construction throughout Victoria. The construction of the bridge at Fyansford and the unsuccessful attempt by Monash & Anderson to recover payment for works, contributed significantly in the dissolution of that partnership.

### Permit Exemptions

#### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1900,
Architect/Designer	Monash & Anderson,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	513
Property Number	

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## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1108:

Bridge over Moorabool River, Fyansford, City of Greater Geelong.

Extent:

1. All of the structure known as Bridge over Moorabool River, including all abutments and associated works, marked B-1 on Plan 602137 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
2. An area of land 3 metres surrounding the structure marked L-1 on Plan 602137 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.

[Victoria Government Gazette No. G36 14 September 1995 p.2536]

*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.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*