Victorian Heritage Database Report

Bump Tunnel

Location:
Big Pat's Creek to Powelltown Walk, Powelltown VIC 3797

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:
Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number: H8022-0059
Listing Authority: HI

Heritage Overlay Number: HO284

Statement of Significance:
The Bump Tunnel is of State significance as the largest tunnel of its kind in Victoria, representing a substantial engineering achievement. It provided the crucial link between the Powelltown mill and La Trobe River Valley. (Supple 1991)

Description

The saddle which is called 'The Bump' divides the Little Yarra valley from the Latrobe River valley. A 313m long, timber-lined tunnel, about 2.8m wide and 4.0m high with a centrally located vent shaft. Build in 1925 to take timber loads through, rather than over this obstacle. Tunnel entrances are still visible but closed. On the surface are several cave-ins created when the tunnel was deliberately collapsed to seal it for 'safety reasons'. (Supple 1991)

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Heritage Study / Consultant	Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000

Construction Date Range	
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	YARRA RANGES SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	115178
Property number	

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