



Victorian Heritage Database Report  
**Bump Tunnel**

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

*This place/object may also be State heritage listed. Check the Victorian Heritage Database. For further details, contact the local Council or go to [Planning Schemes Online](#)*