

Place name Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct

Survey Date:

Other name

Id:

771

Street Grant Historic area, McMillans Track

Last Update

Locality Crooked River

Postcode 3862

Official Locality

Property No

Local Government Area Wellington Shire

Property Info

Precinct: Not in precinct

Easting

Northing

Map 8323

Workshop number

Workshop votes

Field survey number

Community priority

Designer

Builder

Ownership

Built Date 1865

Change Date

Description Former Use: 1865 ; gold mining
Date Started 1865; Date Finished ...
Desc ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE;

The Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct consists of the remains of two crushing batteries: the Good Hope battery (remains of three 4-head stamp batteries, horizontal engine, and a Cornish boiler), and the Good Hope Consolidated battery (remains of portable steam engine and one 5-head iron framed stamping battery). The Good Hope battery, which was installed in 1865, and has collapsed but has not been significantly scavenged. The other battery was installed in 1910 and still stands. Both batteries are associated with mine workings.

Condition

Integrity

History

Heritage Protections Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
Historic Places Branch Database	7101		Listed
Planning Scheme	HO115		Listed
Victorian Heritage Inventory	H8323-0001		Listed
Victorian Heritage Register	H1268		Listed

National Estate

Research Required

Recommendations Victorian Heritage Inventory listing means a permit is required from Heritage Victoria for any disturbance to place (including conservation works).

Fieldwork priority?

Stage 1 Ranking Assessed & protected

Stage 2 priority No Action: Already include

Final Ranking State significance

Final Recommendation Amendment C26

Statement of significance The Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct is of historical, and scientific importance to the State of Victoria.

The Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct is historically and scientifically important as a characteristic and well preserved example of an important form of gold mining. The Good Hope battery is one of the oldest more-or-less intact batteries surviving in the State. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development

of Victoria. As well as being a significant producer of Victoria's nineteenth century wealth, with its intensive use of machinery, played an important role in the development of Victorian manufacturing industry. The abandoned mining machinery at the Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct is historically important for its evocation of the adventurousness, hardship, and isolation that was part of mining life in the high country areas of the State.

The Good Hope Quartz Gold Mining Precinct is archaeologically important for its potential to yield artefacts and evidence which will be able to provide significant information about the technological history of gold mining.

Extent of designation To the extent of:

Informant

Notes

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