

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: BASS RIVER BRIDGE

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: Hade Avenue BASS

STUDY NUMBER: 271

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER: HO14

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Bass Coast Shire

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



Bass River Bridge, Hade Avenue, Bass

Image Date: March 2002

EXTENT OF LISTING:

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Other Names/s

Precinct

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Extra Files

Location Hade Avenue BASS

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

BASS (T)

Planning Authority

Ward Leadbeater

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale 1:100000

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

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Published Extent of Listing

Significance Local

Statement of Significance

The Bass River Bridge, Hade Avenue, Bass, is of local historic and aesthetic significance. The need for a bridge to connect both sides of the town had existed from the earliest days of settlement, and this bridge, built in 1936, continued the requirement for a bridge in the locality. The bridge is of aesthetic significance as a trestle bridge built as an important part of the infrastructure of the township of Bass.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

AHC B2: Importance in demonstrating a distinctive way of life, custom, process, land-use, function or design no longer practised, in danger of being lost, or of exceptional interest.

AHC C2: Important for contributing to a wider understanding of the history of the human occupation of Australia.

AHC D2: Important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of the range of human activities in the Australian environment (including way of life, philosophy, custom, process, land use, function, design or technique).

Date Assessed 26/07/2004 Assessed By Fay Woodhouse

Comparisons

Rare Assessment

Intact Assessment

Good

Include in VHR

Include in RNE

Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

Recommended Management

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

Heritage Item Categories

Title Details

Architect/Designers

Unknown

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Builders/Makers

Unknown

Construction Started 1936 Circa No Completed 1936 Circa No

Physical Description

The Bass River Bridge, Hade Avenue, Bass, is a single-lane, timber pylon bridge, 62.4 metres in length and 7.2 metres wide. The structure is comprised of five spans, the broadest being 13.6 metres wide. The bridge has an asphalted timber deck with a timber handrail and a recent timber-surfaced pedestrian walkway.

Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

Good

Usage Road bridge

Associated People

Historical Notes

Straddling the Bass River, the Township of Bass was first surveyed in 1863, and was known as Woolamai until 1896. Presumably replacing an earlier structure on the site, this bridge was constructed in 1936, linking each side of the town. At the time the bridge would have been a major crossing on the road link leading south to San Remo. The existing Bass Highway route through the town was declared a road in 1976. The old bridge was then superseded by a new bridge across the river a short distance to the west.

Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

12.4 Bridges: Connecting the working community to both sides of the river, a bridge over the Bass River has severed the community for more than one hundred years. The importance of bridges is emphasised by the ongoing upgrading and replacement of them as motoring technology and traffic demands increase usage.

Listings

References

Author	Title	Year	Shelf/Location
Department of Lands & Survey Joseph White	Township of Bass, Parishes of Woolamai and Corinella One Hundred Years of History	1974	
Paul Crowe, Land Information & Survey Section, VicRoads, pers comm.			

Conservation Plans

Owner Type

Section 32 Recommendation

Owners/Occupants/Managers

Other Notes

Application Detail

Adviser Comments

Planning Scheme Amendments

Overlay Controls

Planning Scheme Schedule

External Paint Controls?	No	Included in Vic Heritage Register? No
Internal Alteration Controls?	No	Prohibited uses may be permitted? Yes
Tree Controls?	No	Name of incorporated plan No

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Outbuildings/fences not exempt? No

Aboriginal Heritage Place? No