



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 1203
2. **NAME** *Yarloop Timber Mill Workshops* (1895 - c.1950)
3. **LOCATION** Railway Parade, Yarloop
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
(Firstly) Yarloop Lot 2, being Crown Reserve 45018 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3109 Folio 393 and (secondly) those portions of Lot 1 on Diagram 68074, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1708 Folio 671, Lot 100 on Diagram 64848, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1650 Folio 579 and Wellington Location 897, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 2118 Folio 328 as together are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 1203 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Harvey
6. **OWNER** Shire of Harvey (Lots 1, 100 & Reserve 45018)
Millars (W.A.) Pty Ltd (Pt Loc. 897)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 27/08/1999
Permanent Entry 12/05/2000
 - National Trust Classification: Classified (I'scape) 03/12/1984
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: Adopted (wkshop) 10/03/1998
 - Register of the National Estate: Permanent (wkshop) 21/03/1978
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Yarloop Timber Mill Workshops, an early twentieth century railway workshop complex, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:
the place is the most intact example of an early privately owned twentieth century railway workshop in Australia;
the place was the most substantial railway and industrial workshop complex established by a private company in Western Australia in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries;

the place was the main workshops serving the timber company which was commonly known as Millars from the early twentieth century until the 1960s and played a major role in the timber industry of Western Australia, and the daily life of the people of Yarloop and associated timber towns for more than half a century;

the place, including the workshop buildings, tracks and yards constructed circa 1900-1910, comprises the most important group of early to mid-twentieth century timber industrial buildings in Western Australia;

the place contains some significant machinery, some of which remains operable, as well as a unique collection of patterns, and collections of associated tools, equipment, fittings and documents;

the place contains a number of significant site features associated with the industrial processes, in particular the Running Shed and its associated shops;

the place was a major employer and played a significant role in the training of apprentices for the various trades and professions represented on the site and elsewhere in the timber industry;

the place forms a part of the significant townscape of Yarloop, which is a fine example of a substantially intact timber; and,

the continued development of the workshops, and the employment which the workshops provided, were the *raison d'être* for the expansion and survival of the town of Yarloop after the closure of the original timber mill at Yarloop, and through much of the history of the town in the twentieth century.

The perimeter and internal fences and reconstructed buildings such as the general store and toilets are assessed as having little cultural heritage significance.