



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 15755
2. **NAME** *Wyalkatchem Railway and CBH Precinct*
(1911+)
3. **LOCATION** Railway Terrace & Grace Street, Wyalkatchem
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Portion of unnumbered railway reserve bounded by Railway Terrace, Riches, Mitchell and Grace Streets Wyalkatchem, Lot 303 on Deposited Plan 45579 being part of Reserve 15439 and the whole of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3018 Folio 466 and Lot 407 on Deposited Plan 181612 being part of Reserve 15439 and the whole of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3018 Folio 859 together as defined by Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No 15755 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Wyalkatchem
6. **OWNER** State of Western Australia
(Responsible Agency: Public Transport Authority)
(As to Reserve 15439 Management Order Public Transport Authority)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 17/12/2004
Permanent Entry 04/11/2005
 - National Trust Classification: Classified (CBH Whe 02/11/1981
Bin)
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----

- Municipal Inventory: CBH Wheat Bin (fmr) 18/03/2004
Goods Shed
Lever Frame
Loading Ramp & Crane
Railway Barracks
Railway Station Group
Station Master's House
(demolished 2003)
- Register of the National Estate: Nominated (CBH Wheat Bin) 30/04/1982

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Wyalkatchem Railway and CBH Precinct, comprising Railway Barracks (1911), Lever Frame (c.1916), Loading Ramp & 5-ton Crane (1911-1916), Goods Shed (1923), CBH Wheat Bin (1936), and Station Building (1937), has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a very good, representative and rare example of a group of railway and wheat storage structures;

the place represents the importance of the railway system in the development of rural Western Australia in general and the wheat growing districts in the central region in particular, bringing economic benefit to the region and the State;

the place was one of five sidings used in the successful trial of bulk handling during the 1931-32 harvest that led to the establishment of Co-operative Bulk Handling Limited in 1933, which brought technological and economic improvements to the handling and transportation of wheat grain in Western Australia;

the design of the 1936 CBH Wheat Bin and associated grain receipt and despatch elements was a technical innovation of considerable significance in the handling of grain loads; and,

the place is highly valued by the local and wider community for its associations with the history of the railway and grain growing industry of the region and as a landmark on the edge of the town centre.

The c. 2000 public toilet facility on the Railway Terrace frontage of the railway yard, the steel clad shed in front of the station on the Grace Street frontage, the two steel framed and clad extensions north west of the CBH Wheat Bin and the rolling stock along the south west side of the CBH Wheat Bin have no heritage significance.