



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 3934
2. **NAME** *Woolgangie Catchment, Reservoirs and Railway Settlement (ruin) (1894)*
3. **LOCATION** Off Great Eastern Highway, Woolgangie.
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**

Portion of Lot 111 on Deposited Plan 220774 being part of Reserve 46126 and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3116 Folio 905, portion of Lot 183 on Deposited Plan 220774 being part of Reserve 46126 and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3118 Folio 132, portion of Lot 145 on Deposited Plan 220774 being unallocated Crown land and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3116 Folio 913 and portion of Lot 147 on Deposited Plan 220774 being unallocated Crown land and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3116 Folio 948

together as shown on Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No. 3934 (DP54299) prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Coolgardie
6. **OWNER** State of Western Australia

(As to Lot 111, part of Reserve 46126, Management Order to the Conservation Commission of Western Australia)

(As to Lot 183, part of Reserve 46126, Management Order to the National Parks & Nature Conservation Authority)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	07/09/2006
	Permanent Entry	07/09/2007
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:		15/10/1998
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Woolgangie Catchment, Reservoirs and Railway Settlement (ruin) comprising a concrete pad (remnants of railway workings), concrete tank stand foundations, two platelayers cottages (ruin), station masters house (ruin), railway platform, station buildings footings, site of hotel, telegraph station concrete pad, humpy house (ruin), two railway reservoir's, concrete remnants of steam pump, carrier race, bye wash, counter balance weight, concrete remnants of water gates, rock catchment, steam pump base, and perimeter fence have cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is significant for the role it played in the development of the Eastern Goldfields, and is significant for its role as a water source for travellers on the Goldfields Road, when horse/camel drawn transport was prevalent. It is also associated with the early telegraph communications between Perth and Kalgoorlie;

the place supplied the steam locomotives for the railway, (which was an integral part to the development of the goldfields and the numerous communities along the pipeline), with the necessary water required to continue the journey to Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie;

the place is representative of a past way of life, which was centred on the use of the railway and the collection of water, which no longer exists, as the advent of cars rapidly made the railway redundant;

the place contributes to the community's sense of place, as a reminder of the scarcity of water, the longevity of small settlements associated with the Kalgoorlie Pipeline and the Goldfield Water Supply Scheme and the utilisation of natural resources to alleviate the shortage of water;

the place is representative of the utilisation of natural resources to provide water for transport purposes and domestic uses associated with the small settlement of Woolgangie, and;

the place together with the natural setting forms a picturesque environment.