



HERITAGE
COUNCIL
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2966
2. **NAME** *Donnelly River Mill* (1949)
3. **LOCATION** Wheatley
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
That portion of Wheatley Lot 37, being portion of Reserve 37707 as defined in Heritage Council drawing number 2966 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** **Shire of Nannup**
6. **OWNER** Western Australian Tourism Commission
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 22/09/1995
 - Permanent Entry 09/02/1996
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Register of National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Donnelly River Mill , a large timber building and other structures related to the mill operations, including steam, electrical, and log equipment, and three prominent chimney stacks, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is an extant example of a once-prevalent industrial technology which utilised steam power in working the hardwood forests of the State;

the place is largely intact and uniquely demonstrates the extensive use of local materials, the application of steam power and the innovative mechanisms developed to drive the mill equipment from a single power source; and

the place exhibits, together with the town, the self-contained nature of a bush industry and the way of life of those working at the mill.

While several of the buildings and items of plant and equipment have a high level of significance for aesthetic, historical or technological values, all elements have significance in being part of the overall complex; the level of significance is dependent on the various elements remaining in context in their original locations.