



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 1677
2. **NAME** *No. 1 Pumping Station Museum* (1902)
OTHER NAMES No. 1 Pumping Station, Mundaring Weir; C.Y. O'Connor Museum
3. **LOCATION** off Mundaring Weir Road, Mundaring
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Swan Location 12544, being part of Crown Reserve 5342 and being part of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3106 Folio 535.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Mundaring
6. **OWNER** Water Corporation
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim	24/07/1992
	Permanent	04/05/2001
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	11/06/1973
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	22/04/1997
• Register of the National Estate:	Permanent	21/03/1978
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

No. 1 Pumping Station Museum, an industrial building constructed of red brick in English bond with a corrugated iron roof and a brick chimney, and housing an original large scale steam powered stationary pumping engine and boilers, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is an integral part of one of the great engineering enterprises of the late nineteenth, early twentieth centuries;

the place represents an Australian enterprise designed in an era of great faith in the power of technology and political action to improve human life through the control of the physical environment, and, as such, expresses the confidence of that period in Western Australia's history;

the place is of historical and social importance to the people of Western Australia in that it is a part of a bold and imaginative engineering feat that was the largest of its kind in the world at that time;

the place is a relatively intact example of the type of pumping station specifically constructed for the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme;

the place is associated with Australian technological innovation, and social and political imagination and ambition;

the place is a well designed purpose-built industrial structure expressive of the public importance of the technology for which it was created;

the place has value in representing a building type and a way of life that is no longer practised in this State;

the place has significant links to Charles Yelverton O'Connor and Sir John Forrest who played instrumental roles in the development of Western Australia; and

the place has the potential to communicate its significance and thus improve public understanding of these issues.

This assessment does not include the numerous other buildings on the site but concentrates solely on *No. 1 Pumping Station Museum*.