



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 15727
2. **NAME** *Mount Charlotte Reservoir* (1902)
3. **LOCATION** Mount Charlotte, Kalgoorlie
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
 Kalgoorlie Town Lots 1774 and 1775, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1575 Folio 491, and
 Portions of Kalgoorlie Town Lots 2713 and 2714, being Crown Reserve 9892 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3042 Folio 376, and
 Road Reserve 15740, being Collier Place in the city of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, and
 Kalgoorlie Town Lots 3610 and 3611 being Vacant Crown Land and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Records Volume 3041 Folios 58 and 59 respectively, and
 Vacant Crown Land adjacent to Reserve 9892 as together are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 15727 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
6. **OWNER**

Commissioner of Main Roads	(Lots 1774 & 1775)
Minister for Water Resources	(Reserve 9892)
City of Kalgoorlie Boulder	(Road 15740)
State of Western Australia	(all VCL)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	15/12/2000
	Permanent Entry	14/12/2001
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:		-----
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mount Charlotte Reservoir, a reservoir that has been excavated out of a hill top, with associated pipelines, access paths, valve pits and pumping areas, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place was constructed in 1902 to provide the main storage reservoir for the water pumped from Mundaring to the eastern goldfields and as such was an essential component of the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme;

as the end and final receptacle for the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme, the place is part of a total scheme which was a unique engineering achievement in Australia in its time;

the place is an important component of the work of C Y O'Connor, Engineer-in-Chief of the Public Works Department from 1891 to 1902, who conceived, designed and supervised construction the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme;

since 23 January 1903, when Sir John Forrest turned the valve to the supply tank at Mount Charlotte Reservoir, marking the arrival of water from Mundaring at Kalgoorlie and the opening of the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme, until the present, the place has provided the main water supply to the eastern goldfields; and,

the presence of the tank, related constructions and trees, visibly situated in an arid landscape, contributes to an understanding of the importance of the Goldfields Water Supply Scheme to the Kalgoorlie-Boulder area.

The communication towers are visually intrusive, but add to the landmark function.