

## REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

- 1. **DATA BASE No.** 1771
- 2. **NAME** *Fmr Cooper's Mill* (1843; c.1860s)
- 3. LOCATION Cooleenup Island, North Yunderup
- 4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Murray Location 1923, being Crown Reserve 23015, and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3103 Folio 264.

- 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Murray
- **6. OWNER** Shire of Murray
- 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 29/11/1996 Permanent Entry 09/05/1997
  - National Trust Classification: 10/06/1996
  - Town Planning Scheme, Schedule 6.7: 29/06/1979
  - Municipal Inventory: ------
  - Register of National Estate: 01/09/1984
- 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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## 10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*Cooper's Mill*, a two-storey cylindrical limestone tower with a square brick addition, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

it was the first flour mill constructed in the Murray district and the only one of several built contemporaneously in Western Australia to remain in existence:

the building is an important part of the phase of the development of flour milling in the settlement of the Murray District;

it is directly associated with the respected Cooper family, pioneers of the Murray district of Western Australia, and with Josiah Stinton who was important in early Western Australian flour milling development;

it is representative of European construction techniques translated into local materials by Cooper. The winning of the building stone from a considerable distance away, and transporting it to the island site is indicative of the difficulties experienced in its construction;

the building of a flour mill on a small island in the delta of a river is unusual in Western Australia;

it has high aesthetic value; and,

it is a reflection of the past importance of waterborne transport in the settlement of Western Australia.