



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES - Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No. 4609
2. NAME *Convict Fence* (1866; 1869; 1874; 1887-88 & 1892-97)
3. LOCATION Canning River, between Salter Point and Shelley Bridge.
4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY
Those portions of the bed of the Canning River, being Vacant Crown Land, as are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 4609 as prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Canning
6. OWNER The Crown.
7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	02/09/1997
	Permanent Entry	12/12/1997
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	08/08/1995
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Convict Fence, a timber post fence in the Canning River, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

it is believed to be part of a series of fence posts that were originally constructed by convict labour in 1866 to keep in place the navigation channel which had been excavated in shallow parts of the river to enable timber to be transported down the river from Masons Landing to Fremantle by barge;

it is a remnant of the convict era in Western Australia; and,

it is a reminder of the early timber industry and river transportation system.

