



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No. 00814
2. NAME *Government Buildings, Marble Bar (1895-1896)*
3. LOCATION Bohemia Street, Marble Bar
4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY
Marble Bar Lot 276 on Land Administration Plan 16242, being Crown Reserve 2339 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3028 Folio 85.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of East Pilbara
6. OWNER The State of Western Australia
7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	16/10/1992
	Permanent Entry	01/10/2002
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	11/06/1973
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	27/08/1999
• Register of the National Estate:	Permanent	-----
8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE
Government Buildings, Marble Bar built in the Federation Arts & Crafts style and comprising the main Government building, original outbuildings (earth closets), river gums at the front of the main building, evidence of pathways, gardens and landscapes in the immediate vicinity and deposits of artefacts within the boundary of the site, have cultural significance for the following reasons:
 - the place is associated with the early gold and tin boom of the Pilbara Region and the development of Marble Bar;
 - the place is a rare example of a government complex located in the East Pilbara gold fields, and is one of three built to a similar design;
 - the place has been associated with various government agencies crucial to the development of regional towns;

the place is located on a prominent ridge overlooking the town and creek, and so is a dominant landmark;

the well-proportioned buildings were designed by prominent Western Australian architect George Temple Poole during his time as Superintendent of Works at the Public Works Department;

the place is representative of buildings designed by the PWD during the period of the gold boom;

the place has provided the community with government services since 1896; and,

the place has scientific value for its potential to contain archaeological deposits.

There are numerous elements that are either intrusive or of little significance. For a detailed analysis of these elements refer to Palassis Architects, 'Conservation and Management Plan, Government Buildings, Marble Bar, Western Australia', prepared for the Department of Contract and Management Services, October 1996.