



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No. 2984
2. NAME *Fitzroy Crossing Post Office (fmr)* (1948, 1964, 1968, 1969)
3. LOCATION Russ Road, Fitzroy Crossing
4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY  
Fitzroy location 22, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1732 Folio 819.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Derby/West Kimberley
6. OWNER Darlanguwaya Aboriginal Corporation
7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	15/10/1999
	Permanent Entry	18/02/2000
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Yes, Not adopted	-----
• Register of the National Estate:		-----

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*Fitzroy Crossing Post Office (fmr)*, a single storey timber framed structure on concrete footings comprising the former post office and quarters (including the original telephone switchboard), set in landscaped gardens, together with a windmill, water tanks and tank stands, laundry, garage, generator room, L.L.E. building and remnants of a former river crossing frame, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a rare example in the north of Western Australia of a substantially intact public building from the 1940s, and it is part of a significant cultural environment that also includes *Fitzroy Crossing Police Group* and *Low Level Crossing, Fitzroy Crossing*. These buildings are the only obvious remnants of the 'old' settlement of Fitzroy Crossing.

the place comprises a complex of structures associated with the daily functioning of a Government communications facility in a remote location in the north of Western Australia from 1948 to 1985;

the place provided an essential service for people living in a remote area and, to a lesser degree, a setting where those people could enjoy random instances of social contact; and,

the place is a typical example of the work of the Commonwealth Department of Works and Housing, designed in the 1940s for the tropical climate of the north of Western Australia, and, further, it is a rare example of such a building having remained substantially intact.

Various timber framed outbuildings of recent origin are not included in the assessment.