

SORELL HERITAGE STUDY

Address: Marchwiell Road, Bream Creek 7175		UPI:	PID:
Name: EAST COAST ROUTE		Owner: JIM DUNBABIN	
Structure Type:	Site Feature Type:	Dating:	1830-1890 c1830
Feature Type:	Road	Access Restrictions:	Restricted
		Inspection date:	October 96 Ian Terry
		Style:	N/A
		Grid ref:	5626 57315 526650
Indication of Significance: High Probable Significance		Theme: Roadways	
Material:		Listings:	
Condition: Fair			
Integrity: Disturbed or Damaged			
National Estate Criteria: A4 B2 D2		Photograph Index: 14:11-12	
Risk: Excavation: ☐ Development: ☐ Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐			
SITE DESCRIPTION: A cutting through the headland at the northern end of Pine Creek Beach. There is another track following southeast down a spur from the top of a ridge south of Hellfire Bluff.			
HISTORY: The route follows in part the former Pydairrerm track along the east coast and was used by east coast settlers between Bream Creek and Spring Bay from at least 1830 when James Ross noted that it, 'winds along the coast passing over a steep rocky headland.' Jacob Burdon lived in a hut on Pine Creek in the 1850s, grazing some sheep in the area. The route was considered for upgrading as a major highway after World War Two. Although this did not occur the Kingston family rerouted it partly to access timber for their Bream Creek sawmill.			
BOUNDARY: The listing boundary is formed by the remnants of roadway north of Pine Beach and south of Hellfire Bluff.			
COMMENTS: The route remnants have very high significance as remnants of a very early land route along the east coast following an earlier Aboriginal route. The cutting at the northern end of Pine Beach is capable of yielding information on road building techniques employed during the early colonial period. The roadway meets criteria A4, B2 and D2 for inclusion in the Register of the National Estate. It should be included in Schedule 3 of the Sorell Planning Scheme and be nominated for inclusion in the Tasmanian Register and the Register of the National Estate.			
BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES: LESTER, Suzanne. 1994 <i>Spring Bay Tasmania: A Social History</i> . S. Lester, Triabunna ROSS, James. 1830. <i>Hobart Town Almanac and Van Diemen's Land Annual</i> . James Ross, Hobart Town Informant: Jim Dunbabin, Ph: 6253 5276			

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