

Historic Heritage Inventory

Karangahake Gorge Historic Area



Location: Near the confluence of the Ohinemuri and Waitawheta Rivers, Karangahake (see map and description below).

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: **A** - Heritage Area. National or Outstanding Regional Significance

Other: Many of the features listed below are archaeological sites.

Physical Description: HAU450 and HAU451 encompass the mining sites associated with the Karangahake Mountain. Includes the remains of the Crown Battery, NZ Crown Mines water race and tramway, Woodstock special site, site of Tramway Hotel, mine offices, suspension bridges, Talisman tailings plant, Woodstock bridge, Crown bridge, Talisman bridge, Woodstock battery, Woodstock machine site, Talisman machine site, Talisman extended machine site, Woodstock tramway, Woodstock water race, Waitawheta dam and sundry other sites managed by DOC within the Karangahake historic area.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Style:

Materials:

District Plan Schedule

Number: **HAU450 & 451**

Heritage Category: **A**

Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period:

1881-1910

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

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Date of Construction:

History:

Architect:

Designer:

Builder:

Engineer:

History of changes:

Condition:

Integrity: Substantially intact

Current Uses: Walking Track/Historic Reserve

Former Uses: Mining

Registered owner: Department of Conservation

Legal Description:

Reference Source: Ritchie, N. (1990) *A Survey of Historic Mining Sites in the Thames and Ohinemuri Areas of the Hauraki Goldfield*. Department of Conservation.

Associated Pictures:

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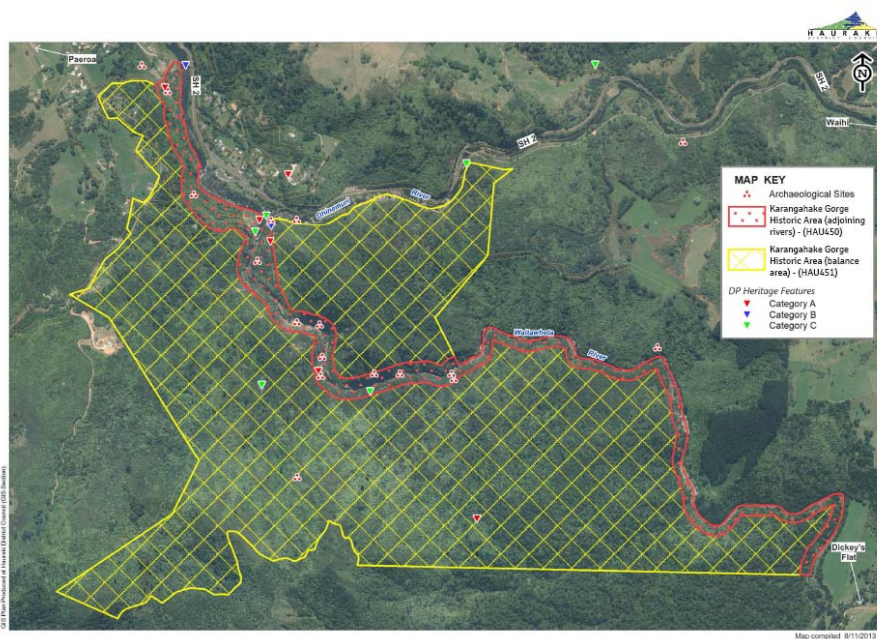
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Extent of HAU450 & HAU451



HAU 450 is defined by vertical as well as horizontal limits, as follows:

In relation to the Ohinemuri River HAU 450 covers the area between the true right bank of the River and a line 40 metres south of the track along the River, between Crown Hill Road and the Waitawheta River.

In relation to the Waitawheta River HAU 450 covers the area 40 metres either side of the centre line of the River, upstream to the eastern boundary of the Department of Conservation land along the true left bank of the River, and thereafter the area 40 metres to the south of the centre line of the River, to the southern boundary of HAU 451, with vertical limits of 30 metres above the River bed and 10 metres below the River bed. Except that HAU 450 covers the full extent of archaeological site T13/286 – Talisman Battery.

HAU 451 covers the balance of the area shown as the Karangahake Gorge Historic Area on the planning maps.