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20055. Brayshaw's Homestead and Environs

Block 39 (part) and Block 40 (part)

District of MOUNT CLEAR

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55. Brayshaw's Homestead Precinct, Namadgi National Park [V117]¹

Location

District of Mount Clear, Blocks 39 (part) and 40 (part) as identified in Figure 55 and indicated on the Territory Plan Map by the Heritage Places Register Overlay H55.

Features Intrinsic To The Heritage Significance Of The Place

The place comprises:

- a) the homestead; and
- b) its associated natural and cultural landscape setting, being the area contained within a circle of 250 metres radius centred on the hut, as shown in Figure 55a.

Statement Of Significance

Brayshaw's Homestead is important as a surviving example of early twentieth century rural settlement in the often difficult, remote and harsh setting of what is now Namadgi National Park. The homestead itself is an exemplar of adapting materials to the requirements of the day. Its simple design, no longer used, has been retained through a succession of changes and adaptations. Of particular note is the quality of construction of the single stone chimney of the homestead. The place is important for its continuing connections with the Brayshaw family, who were responsible for its original construction. Its continuing focus for family gatherings and the conservation work of the Kosciusko Huts Association are evidence of its social and community value. The homestead's placement in an open, stark setting is important in emphasising the conditions under which it was originally constructed and inhabited.

Specific Requirements

In accordance with s.54(1) of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, the following requirements are identified as essential to the conservation of the heritage significance of the place. These requirements reflect the conservation policy for the place:

The homestead in its landscape setting is to be conserved and appropriately maintained.

It should also be noted that the place is included in Public Land and subject to a Plan of Management.

- i) Building including alterations and additions**
 - a) Alterations and additions, including alterations to finishes (such as painting and adding or removing wall claddings), must reflect and complement the architectural style of the original structure.
- ii) Demolition**
 - a) Subject to (ii)(b), demolition shall not be permitted other than in exceptional circumstances, including circumstances where the structures are structurally unsound and beyond economic repair, or where there are significant public health and safety reasons to warrant demolition. All prudent and feasible alternatives to demolition will need to have been explored before demolition is considered.
 - b) The demolition of original building fabric may only be permitted in the context of permissible alteration of, and/or additions to the existing building.
- iii) Landscape**
 - a) The existing landscape setting of the homestead is to be conserved and appropriately maintained, recognising also the need for attention to natural heritage and nature conservation objectives.
 - b) Structures or other works within the place which conflict with the style and nature of construction of the existing homestead should not be permitted within sight of the homestead.

¹ [V117: Added to Heritage Places Register Numbers 53 to 59 15/09/1999 (Variation Number 117)]

Figure 55: Brayshaw's Homestead Precinct: Location

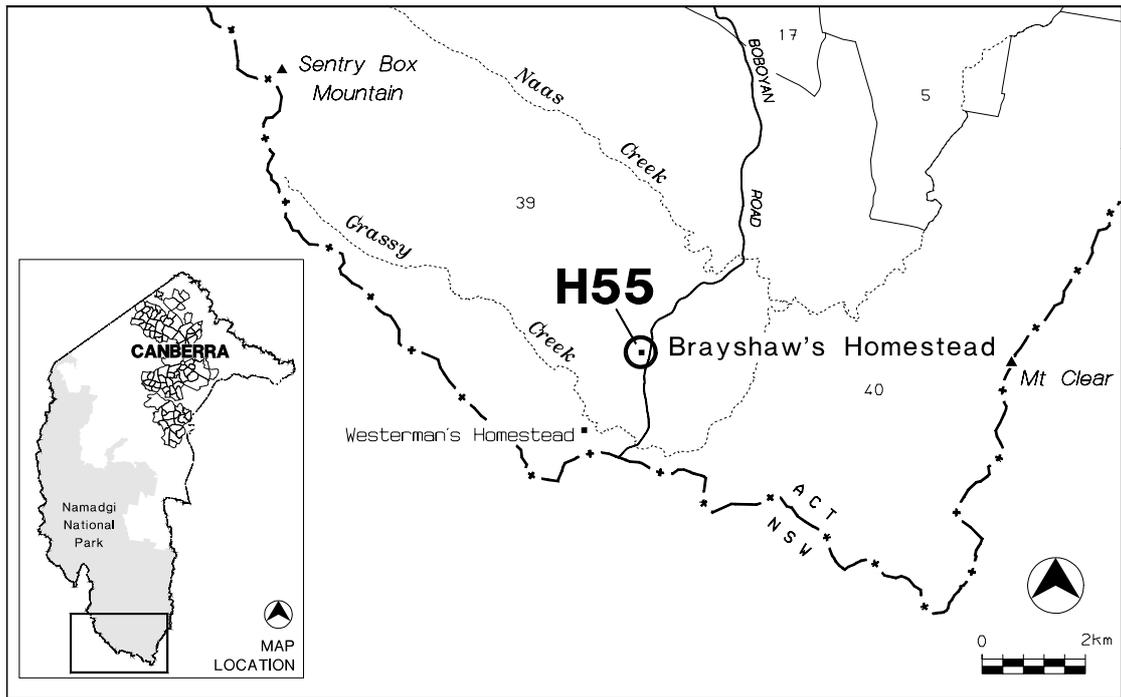


Figure 55a: Brayshaw's Homestead Precinct: Significant Features

