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20057. Bendora Hut

Block 18 (part)

District of COTTER RIVER

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57. Bendora Hut, Namadgi National Park [V117]¹

Location

District of Cotter River, Block 18 (part) as identified in Figure 57 and indicated on the Territory Plan Map by the Heritage Places Register Overlay H57.

Features Intrinsic To The Heritage Significance Of The Place

The place comprises:

- a) the hut building; and
- b) its setting, being the area contained within a circle of 25 metres radius centred on the hut.

Statement Of Significance

Bendora Hut reflects the shelter needs of people working in the exposed mountain conditions of the Brindabellas. It is a shelter hut built in relation to the Forestry and Timber Bureau's series of arboreta in the Brindabellas, a series of plots which have a direct relationship to the modern Australian softwoods industry.

Bendora Hut has a distinctive fireplace.

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 hut 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 in which the structure is 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.

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

iii) **Landscape**

- a) The existing landscape setting of the hut 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 hut should not be permitted within sight of the hut.

Figure 57: Bendora Hut, Namadgi National Park

