

NOMINATION TO THE ACT HERITAGE REGISTER

Please note that the information below represents indicative heritage values only, and not the views of the ACT Heritage Council (the Council).

This nomination is yet to be assessed by the Council against the heritage significance criteria established under the Heritage Act 2004.

Acceptance of a nomination is a preliminary, threshold step and ought not to be taken as indicative of any particular outcome concerning the Council's assessment of the nomination.

NSW/ACT Border Markers various locations

The border markers in this group, dating from 1913-15 are associated with the establishment of the National Capital and its surrounding territory, and are among the earliest surviving structures erected after the founding of the ACT. They continue to define the ACT-NSW border on the ground today and are directly associated with the determination of the territorial boundary in 1909, which itself was dictated by the need to protect Canberra's water supply. The markers were installed by surveyors who subsequently played a significant role in their profession or in the development of the Territory. The group contains many good examples of the type of markers used by surveyors of the time, including some rare mile reference trees whose engravings (like the engravings on the timber border markers and the reference trees for border markers) display skilful use of mallet and chisel. The markers reflect surveying in an era which has now passed, the methods and equipment for surveying being very different from today's electronic and satellite-based survey practise.