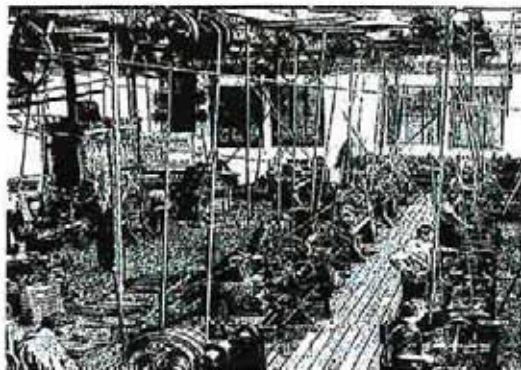


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Ref: Non-Indigenous Heritage Assessment
Benedict Sand and Gravel
146 Newbridge Rd, Moorebank

The Benedict Sand and Gravel site is Lot 1 in DP515738 and a part of Portion 28 of the Parish of Holsworthy granted to John Wextead on 6 April 1798 and part of portion 29 granted to James Healy on the same day. Both Wextead and Healy were to "... reside within the same and proceed to the immediate improvement and cultivation thereof ..." (LTO, serial 2, 304). Timber from the land "... useful for naval purposes ..." was to be provided to the government. John Corren of Moorebank (agriculturist) purchased the land in 1965 and commenced dairying in the name of Echo Dairies P/L. It is reported that dairying was followed by vegetable gardening, and then as a landfill site. The site is currently used for sand processing.

The site has partial frontage to the Georges River and is approximately 22 Ha in area.

Much of the northern extent of the existing site is severely disturbed from the previous landfill operations (at least 5 or 6m above original levels), and the southern extent is disturbed from the current sand processing operation (almost wholly comprising dredge ponds and plant).

Items located on the site include a small domestic 'hardiplank' cottage on the north east corner on Newbridge Rd, workshops and maintenance sheds, concrete storage bins, crushing/sizing/dredging plant, and miscellaneous equipment.

Following a comprehensive site survey and assessment of the fixed fabric and moveable artefacts located on the site it is appropriate to conclude that there are no items possessing any level of heritage significance on social, scientific, aesthetic or historic grounds.

Yours sincerely,

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