

Heritage



Holt's & Cameron Hill Reservoir & Filtration Plant

Key details

Addresses	At 97 Lake Manchester Road, Mount Crosby, Queensland 4306
Type of place	Waterworks, Dam / reservoir
Period	Interwar 1919-1939, Late 20th Century 1960-1999
Lot plan	L4_RP25243; L1_RP25247; L1_RP25244; L1_RP25245; L1_SL490; L333_SP272827; L2_RP25243; L1_RP103514; L1_RP25268; L1_RP25257; L2_RP25245; L1_SL5920
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 20 February 2004 Date of Information — June 2011

The Holt's Hill complex was commissioned as part of the expansion of the Mount Crosby Waterworks. Built as a filtration plant, it opened in 1919 with eight slow sand filters, a regulator house, a covered storage reservoir and an office/store. A further three filters and extra facilities were added in 1924. In 1936, one filter was converted to a rapid filter. The regulator houses, office and rapid-filter building were all constructed in the same style and materials, giving a sense of harmony to the site. The layout of the plant is dominated by the problem of building eleven sand filters and a water storage on the top of a hill. Cameron's Hill, connected to Holt's Hill by a narrow neck, has been used for the storage of purified water since 1969. The complex is a major industrial site developed in response to the rapidly growing demand for water in Brisbane. It demonstrates an important part of the evolving technology of water supply in Queensland.

References

1. Expanded Ipswich Heritage Study, History of Mt Crosby, Kholo and Lake Manchester Areas, 1997
2. Brisbane City Council, *Mount Crosby Waterworks Conservation Management Study Site Report*, June 2001

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