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The Chief Executive Officer
South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)
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Attention: Mrs Natasha Higgitt

Madam

PROPOSED TOWNSHIP ESTABLISHMENT, SUBDIVISION, EXTENSION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF AN APPROVED TOWNSHIP AND CONSOLIDATION: VRYBURG EXTENSION 29 ON A PORTION OF THE REMAINING EXTENT OF ERF 506, VRYBURG AND A PORTION OF THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 3 OF THE FARM ROSENDAL 673, REGISTRATION DIVISION I.N., NORTH WEST PROVINCE (NALEDI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

Your reference is SAHRIS Case ID 14422, 14423 and 14424

With reference to your e-mail message dated 16 October 2019, we hereby wish to report that we referred your enquiry to the Environmental Consultant who was responsible for the Environmental Impact Assessment Process in respect of the proposed township areas of Vryburg Extension 29 and Huhudi Extension 1 as well as the re-layout of certain erven in Huhudi. We have extracted their e-mail response dated 05 November 2019 below:

“Good Afternoon Mr Raubenheimer,

In the past it was communicated to us by SAHRA that they do not comment on our EIA reports if it is not uploaded onto SAHRIS and that they only respond to official applications submitted on SAHRIS. As we do not lodge the applications on SAHRIS, we normally include comments received from them into our Final reports, (If received in time).

Hard copies sent to them in the past has been “returned to sender”.

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We, as AB Enviro Consult was under the impression that SAHRA do in fact have an opportunity to comment on the reports once it is submitted to them by the Heritage Specialist.

If this is not the case, we do apologise for any inconvenience caused and will ensure that in future we do in fact include SAHRA as part of the Public participation Process.

I trust that you find the above in order.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any additional information.

Regards,

JP de Villiers

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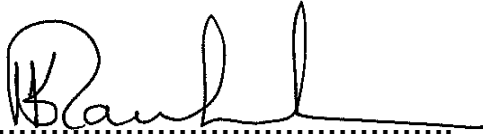
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In closing we wish to draw your attention to the fact that Maxim Planning Solutions (Pty) Ltd and its Environmental- and Heritage sub-consultants acknowledge the important role played by your organization in protecting the heritage resources of South Africa. During the normal township establishment project flow, the application for township establishment usually precedes the Environmental Impact Assessment process and the Environmental Authorisation is usually only issued towards the end of the statutory township establishment process. Due to this fact, SAHRA is usually informed of the development by Maxim Planning Solutions and not the environmental consultant to avoid duplication. In the case of the Vryburg Extension 29/ Huhudi Extension 1/ Huhudi re-layout project, Maxim Planning Solutions experienced extensive delays in determining the correct statutory process to follow in this specific matter. This necessitated us liaising with both the Registrar of Deeds and the office of the Surveyor-General in this regard and delayed the submission of the statutory Land Development Application to the Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality as well as the prescribed referral of this matter to your organization for comments (as per normal practise). During the process of finalizing the applicable statutory process to follow, as detailed above, the Environmental Impact Assessment process continued and subsequently resulted in the issuing of an Environmental Authorisation prior to the Land Development Application even being submitted for consideration.

Based on the fore-mentioned as well as the extraordinary circumstances that surrounded the statutory process applicable to this specific application and the fact that the Environmental Consultant indicated their commitment to include your organization during the EIA public participation process in future applications, we trust that this explanation will sufficiently address your enquiry and we await your formal comments in this matter.

In closing we avail ourselves to furnish you with such additional information that may be required.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Raubenheimer', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

K. RAUBENHEIMER

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On behalf of Maxim Planning Solutions (Pty) Ltd