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Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Frox Earth Impact Consultants

Ivydale, Holding 92, Polokwane Limpopo

Thank you for notifying SAHRA on the proposed development of Ivydale Private Hospital on Holding 92 Ivydale Agricultural Holdings Extension 1 within Polokwane Local Municipality. A Basic Assessment Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, No 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations.

The proposed development location is to the south of Ivy Park and to the south west of Polokwane, Limpopo Province. The total extent of the development site is approximately 4.3820 hectares and it will consist of four components, namely Heart and Kidney Hospital, Surgical Day Hospital, Psychiatric hospital and a Step down hospital.

SAHRA issued an interim comment dated 29/09/2018, which requested that a new Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) which assesses the impacts by the proposed development to known, and potentially newly identified heritage resources on the property, be undertaken. The HIA was subsequently submitted to the case.

Van der Walt, J. 2019. Heritage Impact Assessment: For The Proposed Ivydale Private Hospital, Polokwane, Limpopo Province

A field assessment of the study area was conducted which discovered a Late Iron Age settlement (several large stone walled enclosures and middens) along with and bone fragments, a soap stone salt maker, and undiagnostic ceramics on the south western portion of Plot 92 extending northwards into the partially developed Plot 91. The archaeological site is partially impacted on by construction, dumping, movement of people and earthworks relating to the construction of adjacent buildings.

The impact that could be caused by development can be mitigated by documenting the heritage resources which must be a condition of authorisation prior to construction. It must be part of the EMPr.



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Recommendation

- Phase 2 archaeological mitigation of the site that includes mapping, excavation and dating of the site.
- Implementation of a chance find procedure for the project.
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Final Decision

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the development as per section 38(4)a of the NHRA act 25 of 1999 and supports the recommendations of the specialist as per section 38(4)b . The recommendations of the specialist and the following conditions apply to the development and must be included in the Final BAR and EMPr:

- A permit in terms of section 35 of the NHRA and Chapter II and IV of the NHRA Regulations must be applied for with regards to the phase 2 archaeological mitigation of the site that includes mapping, excavation and dating of the site, prior to the construction phase;
- No construction may occur until after the Iron Age site has been mitigated
- The Final BAR and EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes;
- If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are uncovered during the proposed development, SAHRA APM Unit (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Phillip Hine 021 462 5402) must be alerted. If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit (Thingahangwi Tshivhase/Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490), must be alerted immediately.
- Should the project be granted Environmental Authorisation, SAHRA must be notified and all relevant documents submitted to the case file.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/510607>

Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.