



24 July, 2017

Att: Ms Natasha Higgitt
SAHRA
PO Box 4637
Cape Town
8001

Dear Ms Higgitt,

**PROPOSED REFURBISHMENT OF THE NAMAKWA BULK WATER SUPPLY PIPELINE,
CONCORDIA COMMONAGE (SAHRA CASE NO. 10018)**

Your letter dated 13 September, 2016 (Interim Comment) refers

Please note the following:

1. The proposed water pipeline will be built on small pre-cast concrete plinths directly above the railway line, so that in effect the pipeline will 'float' above the remains of the railway line, with no physical alteration or damage to the line.
2. A report on the historical significance of the old copper railway line between Rooiwinkel and Nababeep was a recommendation that was made in the 2011 report¹.
3. Dr Lita Webley of the Archaeology Contracts Office (ACO) was commissioned to undertake a more detailed account of the historical importance of the railway line².
4. Please note that no new or amended Environmental Authorisation is being sought.
5. We are merely notifying SAHRA of compliance with the previous recommendations of the 2011 Scoping Report, which requested more detail on the historic railway line.

I hope this clarifies matters.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Kaplan

¹ Kaplan, J. 2011. Archaeological Scoping, the proposed construction of a new water pipeline between Rooiwinkel and Nababeep, Northern Cape. Report prepared for EnviroAfrica cc. ACRM, Cape Town

² Webley, L. 2016. Historical Observations on the Copper Railway Line between Rooiwinkel and Nababeep, Northern Cape. Report prepared for ACRM. ACO, Cape Town