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SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT: PROPOSED COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING A NEW HOTEL, ON SUBDIVIDED ERVEN ON PORTION 13 OF THE FARM KABELJAUWS NO. 328, JEFFREYS BAY, KOUGA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Habitat Link Consulting, on behalf of Eedenprop (Pty) Ltd, appointed Eastern Cape Heritage Consultants cc to provide a supplementary statement for the proposed commercial and residential development, including a new hotel, on subdivided erven on Portion 13 of the Farm Kabeljauws No. 328, Kouga Local Municipality, Eastern Cape Province (Map 1).

A Phase 1 Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) for the proposed rezoning and subdivision of Portions 8, 13 and the Remainder of Farm Kabeljouws No. 328 was conducted in 2008 (Binneman 2008). The Department of Economic Development & Environmental Affairs (DEDEA) authorised the development in the Record of Decision (RoD) dated 30 March 2009 (Ref no: EC08/2c/155-06). The RoD has since lapsed and the Proponent is required to reapply for Environmental Authorisation (EA).

The proposed development will involve the construction of shops, stores and supermarkets (within the 5.7 ha Business Zone), townhouse complexes (4.5 ha), a licenced hotel (2.1 ha) and open space areas (inclusive of private open space, sports complex and a clubhouse within a 0.9 ha area). The development area will be serviced by approximately 0.9 ha of new roads and therefore the total development area will be approximately 14.1 ha (Map 2). This area was assessed in 2008 and the current proposal now excludes the potential sensitive archaeological area identified on the north-eastern side of the Remainder of the Farm Kabeljouws No. 328, that no longer forms part of this application.

This is to state that I have considered the information relevant to the proposed development on Erf 8860 in the context of the original archaeological assessment. I further confirm that the original assessment of the property remains applicable to this project, and that the conclusions and the following recommendation remain the same, namely that:

If any human remains or any other concentrations of archaeological heritage material are
exposed during construction, all work must cease and it must be reported immediately to the
archaeologist at the Albany Museum (046 622 2312) or to the Eastern Cape Provincial
Heritage Resources Authority (043 745 0888). Sufficient time should be allowed to investigate
and to remove/collect such material. Please note that the original recommendation referred to
the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) but that the Eastern Cape Heritage

Resources Authority (ECPHRA) now has the jurisdiction to deal with archaeological matters in the Eastern Cape.

The mitigation measures in the original report specified in recommendation 1,2, 4 and 5 are no longer applicable to this project as result of the exclusion of the Remainder of the Farm Kabeljouws No. 328. In general, the proposed development on Portion 13 of the Farm Kabeljauws No. 328 will not increase the archaeological significance of the impacts originally identified and is therefore considered as having **low archaeological significance** (See Annexure "A" for the updated significance rating).

Please note that the relevant AIA should be consulted prior to the development for any additional requirements. The Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (ECPHRA) should also be informed of the development for ECPHRA to consider if any further assessments are recommended.

Best Regards

Kobus Reichert

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Map 1. Locality map of the proposed area for the commercial and residential development on Portion 13 of the Farm Kabeljauws No. 328. Map courtesy of Habitat Link Consulting.



Map 2. Proposed layout for the commercial and residential development on Portion 13 of the Farm Kabeljauws No. 328. Map courtesy of Habitat Link Consulting

ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACTS

Direct impacts

Table 1. The potential physical disturbance and destruction of surface and buried pre-colonial archaeology sites/remains during all developments (rating based on the surface visibility of archaeological remains).

Nature of the Impact	Possible loss of non-renewable heritage resources: The main impact on archaeological sites/remains (if any) will be the physical disturbance of the material and its context. The clearing of the vegetation may expose, disturb and displace archaeological sites/material. However, from the investigation it would appear that the proposed areas earmarked for development are of low archaeological sensitivity. Notwithstanding, important materials may be covered by soil and vegetation. There are no known graves or buildings older than 60 years on the area surveyed
Extent	Site specific - The impact will be limited to the development footprint.
Duration	Permanent - Disturbance to archaeological material will be permanent.
Intensity	Medium
Probability	Probable – the archaeological material within the proposed development footprint will be disturbed, displaced or destroyed.
Reversibility	Irreversible – Once the archaeological material has been removed or destroyed this impact cannot be reversed
Degree of Confidence	Medium / High
Status and Significance of Impact (no mitigation)	Low Negative (-)
Mitigation	 No mitigation is proposed for the property before construction starts because the area is regarded to be of low archaeological significance. If any human remains (or any other concentrations of archaeological heritage material) are exposed during construction, all work must cease in the immediate area of the finds and it must be reported immediately to the archaeologist at the Albany Museum (Tel. 046 622 2312) or to the Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (Tel. 043 745 2811). Sufficient time should be allowed to investigate and to remove/collect such material. Further recommendations will follow from the investigation
Significance and Status (with mitigation)	Neutral (0)

Residual Impact	The cumulative impacts on above and below ground heritage will increase when further developments take place in adjoining areas, such as the proposed residential development on Erf 8860 (previously Portion 8 of the Farm
	Kabeljouws No. 328). The previous archaeological assessment for this development however provided similar results to the current assessment and the cumulative impact of the developments therefore does not change the overall impact rating. Low Negative(-)