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Letter

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

Attention: DIE ANDRIES OOSTHUIZEN TRUST

P O BOX 215
ALBERTON
1450

PROSPECTING FOR DIAMONDS AND GOLD THROUGH DRILLING, TRENCHING AND BULK SAMPLING.

Thank you for your notification regarding prospecting for diamonds and gold through drilling, trenching and bulk sampling on the Remainder and Portions 1 and 2 of the farm Di Blesbokkantoor 1549, Free State Province.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, No 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. This means that prior to development it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA)** is done. Any heritage resources that may be impacted such as archaeological or palaeontological resources, built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.

The PalaeoSensitivity Map on SAHRIS (<http://www.sahra.org.za/sahris/map/palaeo>) indicates moderate and zero palaeontological sensitivity in the proposed area. Therefore the SAHRA APM Unit requires a **desktop Palaeontological Impact Assessment**, conducted by a professional palaeontologist, to be included in the HIA.

If the property is very small or disturbed and there is no significant site the heritage specialist may choose to send a letter to the heritage authority to indicate that there is no necessity for any further heritage assessment.

Please also submit the draft BAR and EIA/EMP and appendices to the application.

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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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South African Heritage Resources Agency

Phillip Hine
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South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

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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.