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# **Final Comment**

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

Attention: Du Plessis Family Trust

The project involves the proposed construction and operation of four Chicken Broiler Houses, each containing 40 000 chickens, on the Farm Fransina 2060 situated close to Botshabelo in the Free State Province.

The proposed project entails the expansion of an existing chicken broiler facility, in detail the construction of four chicken broiler houses and associated infrastructure on the Remainder of the Farm Fransina 2060, situated approximately 5km west of Botshabelo, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, Free State Province. The total extent of the proposed development footprint area is 2 hectares. A BAR, Impact Assessment and EMP were submitted to the application. The Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) as requested in an interim comment dated 4/1/2019 was submitted subsequently.

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The proposed area is underlain by palaeontologically insignificant dolerite intrusions that are capped by a residual soil overburden of varying thickness. The author encountered no evidence of *in situ* Stone Age archaeological material, rock art, prehistoric structures, graves or historically significant structures older than 60 years within the proposed development area.

#### **Final comment**

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit reviewed the HIA and, as no above-ground heritage resources occur in the proposed area, has no objection against the proposed development. The following conditions must be adhered to and must be incorporated into the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for implementation:

1. Should any objects of archaeological or palaeontological remains be found during construction activities,

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work must immediately stop in that area and the Environmental Control Officer (ECO) must be informed.

- 2. The ECO must inform the South African Heritage Recourse Agency (SAHRA) and contact an archaeologist and/or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the find, to assess the importance and rescue them if necessary (with the relevant SAHRA permit). No work may be resumed in this area without the permission from the ECO and SAHRA.
- 3. If the newly discovered heritage resource is considered significant a Phase 2 assessment may be required. A permit from the responsible heritage authority will be needed.
- 4. A Chance Finds Procedures must be developed for the project to ensure that standard protocols and steps are followed should any heritage and/or fossil resources be uncovered during all phases of the project. These procedures should outline the steps and reporting structure to be followed in the instance that heritage resources are found. This must be included in the Environmental Awareness Plan.
- 5. The final BAR and appendices must be submitted to SAHRA upon submission to DEA. 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

Ragna Redelstorff Heritage Officer

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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.