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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Dr Farai Tererai
Working for Wetlands Programme

Working for Wetlands (WfWetlands) is a government programme mandated to protect pristine wetlands, promote their wise-use and rehabilitate those that are damaged throughout South Africa, with an emphasis on complying with the principles of the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) and using only local Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs). Due to the nature of the project, it is important to note that the very objectives of the WfWetlands Programme are to improve both environmental and social circumstances

The proposed project entails the rehabilitation of various damaged wetlands under project name "Maluit", identified on the farms Wattle Grove 656, Helpmekaar 1103, Aneks 1104, Boschkloof 487, Stratheri=rick 186/10, Eskol 692/01, Helmanshoek 1851, Elizabeth 185, and Graigielea 598/60 within the Free State Province. The draft BAR and EMP was submitted with the application. Rehabilitation activities include alien vegetation clearing, halting and prevention of erosion as well as gully/incision formation, demolition of hard structure, as well as reparation of artificially dug channels, a road crossing over a water course, and eroded dams, often with slope failure.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requires a phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment inclusive of a field based Palaeontological Impact to be done by respective specialists and submitted to SAHRA. The specialists may choose to submit a Letter of Exemption from heritage assessments if they deem the impact on heritage resources to be nil or negligible.

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/520830>

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.