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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Dr Duduza Ntombela

MDBS TRADING (PTY) LTD proposes to establish a small-scale sand mining operation. The total development area will be approximately 5.0 hectares, and will have a lifespan of 2 years. The process will include the excavation or removal of sand from the demarcated land. The sand will be stored in stockpiles within the 5.0 hectare area. The excavated sand will be transported using a Truck Load Backhoe (TLB) to the camp site, located within the 5.0 hectares. This Project is located at dorp farm frankfort 72 in the Free Sate province.

The proposed project entails the establishment of a small-scale sand mining operation of approximately 5.0 hectares extent at Dorp Frankfort 72, Mafube Municipality, Free State Province. Invasive activities include the excavation or removal of sand, to be stored in stockpiles within the 5 hectare area. The BAR and EMPr were submitted with the application.

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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 very high and some areas with high and zero palaeontological sensitivity in the proposed area. Therefore the SAHRA APM Unit requires a field-based Palaeontological Impact Assessment, conducted by a professional palaeontologist, to be included in the HIA.

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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 assessment.

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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ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/523962>
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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.