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Interim Comment

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

Attention: MPC Developers (Pty) Ltd

The project entails the construction of a new road between the Heritage Lifestyle Centre (SAHRA Case ID: 10947) and Reynecke Avenue up to Frans Kleynhans Road in Bloemfontein. The new road is planned on Portion 137 and the Remainder of the Farm Bloemfontein 654, Bloemfontein.

The proposed project entails the construction of a road on Portion 137 and the Remainder of Farm 654, Bloemfontein, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, Free State Province. The draft BAR, layout plan and Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) were submitted with the application.

PHILIP, L. 2019. HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PORTION 137 AND THE REMAINDER OF FARM 654, BLOEMFONTEIN, FREE STATE PROVINCE FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A ROAD.

A field survey identified no significant heritage resources that would be impacted by the road development. The author states that a 2017 Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA), conducted for the adjacent area (Heritage Lifestyle Centre) which includes the laydown area for this application, indicates that the proposed area is underlain by sediments of the Adelaide Formation considered to be of low palaeontological sensitivity. No further palaeontological assessment was recommended. Excavations into bedrock are not expected in this application.

It is noted that the laydown area for road construction falls within an the already surveyed area for the Heritage Lifestyle Centre (SAHRA CaseID: 10947), which is subject to mitigation measures that must take place before the commencement of the road construction.

Recommendations:

Approval of the development with the conditions that (1) the developer agrees to and signs the attached Chance Find Procedures document (Attachment A) and in turn ensure that once a construction company has been appointed, they too (including site managers) sign the CMP and commit to the implementation thereof. The developer-signed copy should be uploaded to SAHRIS; (2) mitigation for Erf 22011 (which includes the laydown area) takes place before development can commence; and (3) comments from Heritage Free State

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be obtained for the built environment.

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With regard to the proposed laydown area that falls within the already area surveyed for application SAHRIS CaseID 10947. It is unclear, which heritage resources would be impacted within this laydown area; the HIA should be amended to include a map indicating all heritage resources within this area as well as a table listing the heritage resources with coordinates and brief description of significance. Such further details will enable SAHRA to make an informed decision about if mitigation/destruction is necessary and which resources should be mitigated/destroyed. In addition the area must be mapped on SAHRIS.

Once the amended HIA is submitted SAHRA will be able to issue a final comment.

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:

Proposed Road Development for Heritage Lifestyle Centre, Bloemfontein

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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.