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Letter

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Prof. Karim Sadr

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Permission is requested to carry out a dozen or so small shovel test excavations in two Late Iron Age stone walled compounds located on the farm called Wagon Ranch. These compounds are part of the site known as Kweneng, located 35 km south of Johannesburg. The purpose of the test pits is to ascertain whether the houses in these structures were burnt and abandoned. If the results indicate that the houses were indeed burnt and abandoned with materials left in place, full scale excavations will be proposed in a future application. The proposed excavations will take place in Gauteng Province.

Dear Prof. Sadr,

RE: Test Excavation at Wagon Ranch

Thank you for your permit application to conduct test excavations on two compounds in Kweneng a LIA site in the south of Johannesburg, Gauteng Province. SAHRA has successfully reviewed your application and approved it. Kindly note your permit is valid until 31 March 2022.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Test excavations at Wagon Ranch

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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.