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## Interim Comment

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

Attention: Mrs Anette Basson  
De Beers Consolidated Mines - Kimberley Mines  
36 Stockdale street  
Kimberley  
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### FS 30/5/1/1/2/10303 PR Elleboog • FARM DEELPAN 1624, • THE REMAINING EXTENTS OF THE FARMS ELLEBOOG 1191 AND • BIESJESDAM 1603,

De Beers Exploration proposes to drill for diamonds on the farm Elleboog 1191, approximately 30 km north west of Dealesville in the western Free State Province. Precise coordinates for proposed drilling were provided and surveyed in a phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment that was submitted with the application.

*Morris, D. May 2016. Heritage Impact Assessment for proposed drilling site on the farm Elleboog 1191 near Dealesville, western Free State.*

No archaeological resources were found in the proposed drilling locations.

### Interim comment

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit accepts the submitted HIA and accepts the recommendations therein. Conditions as outlined below apply and must be incorporated into the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for implementation.

However, a palaeontological component is missing in the HIA and the PalaeoSensitivity Map on SAHRIS indicates moderate to high sensitivity for the proposed area. SAHRA APM Unit requests a **field based Palaeontological Impact Assessment** to be conducted by a qualified palaeontologist and submitted to the application before drilling commences.

1. Should any objects of archaeological remains be found during construction activities, work must immediately stop in that area and the Environmental Control Officer (ECO) must be informed.

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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 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 EIA 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

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Ragna Redelstorff  
Heritage Officer  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

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John Gribble

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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/184895>  
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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.