Proposed construction of a 22 kv power line, Dipaleseng Munic Landfill

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Final Decision

In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Ms Angelina Shalang Eskom-MOU Edit view PO BOX 223 WITBANK 1035

Proposed construction of a 766.676 m 22kv powerline. Project name: Dipaleseng Munic Landfill, Project number" BG130306333, Area: Balfour, Dipalenseng local municipality, Mpumalanga province

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the proposed power line development near the town of Balfour. The power line will be located on the remainder of the farm Balfour 557 IR, Dipaleseng Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province. The length of the line is intended to be 767m, starting at the Balfour Munic/Siyathembana 22kv rural feeder to supply to the Dipaleseng Munic Landfill.

It should be noted that this proposed development constitutes a linear development exceeding 300m as per Section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999). In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999), the relevant heritage authority is required to determine whether or not the proposed development is likely to impact on any significant heritage resources.

Based on the submitted information to this case, the route in which the power line is intended to traverse has been disturbed by residential development in Siyathembana township.

Final Decision

Due to the low ground clearing and disturbance of a 22kv power line construction and/or development, it is unlikely that any significant heritage will be disturbed during construction in the area of proposed power line route, as such no further heritage studies are required as per Section 38(2)*b*.

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed development on the condition that:

- If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502), and unmarked human burials contact the SAHRA BGG Unit (Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490), must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological



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significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

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

Yours faithfully

Nokukhanya Khumalo

Heritage Officer

South African Heritage Resources Agency

Colette Scheermeyer

SAHRA Head Archaeologist

South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/244830

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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.

