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## Final Comment

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

Attention: Tekplan Environmental  
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#### **Proposed Riemland Institution development on Portion 4 of the Farm Bornst 107 LS, approximately 15 km north of Mogwadi, in the Makhado Local Municipality, Limpopo Province.**

Tekplan Environmental has been contracted to compile an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) on behalf of the developer, Afrikaanse Protesantse Kerk for the development of the Riemland Institution Development.

The Riemland Institution development is proposed for Portion 4 of the Bornst 107 LS farm situated approximately 15km north of the town of Mogwadi; falling within the Makhado Local Municipality in the Limpopo Province.

The development footprint covers an area of approximately three hectares. The following developments are proposed for the site: a church and attached facilities (approx. 1200m<sup>2</sup>), an old age home (approx. 3000m<sup>2</sup>), a parking area (9000m<sup>2</sup>), and a cemetery (approx. 3000m<sup>2</sup>). Access to and from the site will make use of the existing gravel roads.

Hutton Heritage Consultants was contracted by Tekplan Environmental to conduct a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) for the proposed development. *Hutton, M. 2016. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Riemland Institution Development on the Farm Bornst 107 LS near Mogwadi, Makhado Local Municipality, Limpopo Province.*

The author noted that the area surrounding the development is relatively rich in heritage resources based on previous studies. These resources include Iron Age pottery scatters, historical settlements, grave sites, Iron Age sites, Stone Age and rock art sites, as well as features of intangible heritage such as rain making and initiation sites. The field survey of the proposed development footprint, however, did not locate any heritage resources. The area falls within a region that is insignificant palaeontologically, and therefore no further palaeontological assessment is required.

#### **Final Comment**

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objections and the development may

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proceed as proposed. The following additional conditions must be adhered to and must form part of the final EMPr of the project should Environmental Authorisation be granted for the project:

- During the construction phase of the development, should any archaeological, palaeontological or burials be encountered during excavations made at the site, all work in the affected area must immediately cease and SAHRA must be notified. The relevant finds must then be assessed by a relevant heritage practitioner before any further work may be conducted on site. Subsequent action may involve protection of the site, a phase II mitigation procedure or a grave relocation depending on the heritage resource.
- A chance finds procedure should be included in the EMPr, detailing procedure in the event that any archaeological or heritage resources (including graves) are uncovered during excavation work. The procedure should include that all activities be halted in the immediate area and SAHRA must be notified and a heritage practitioner must be consulted before any further work can commence on the site.

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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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.