



## Interim Comment

### In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

Attention: KwaZulu-Natal - Department of Transport  
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**The KZN Department of Transport (DOT) proposes to upgrade the existing access road to a gravel road (6m in width and 8.1 km in length) that conforms to DOT standards. The existing road will be upgraded in one of the Bergville villages along D1376. The road transverses a watercourse, therefore DOT proposes to construct a low level bridge crossing. For the establishment of this gravel road a low level bridge will be constructed and is included as listed activity in this application.**

Thank you for notifying us about the proposed construction of an access road from a mud track to a gravel road 6m in width, and a length of 8.1 km with a road reserve wider than 13.5m and the invitation to comment on the development in terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25, of 1999.

A review of the application based on the information provided has been conducted and the KwaZulu Natal archaeological database and paleosensitivity map has been used as a tool to determine the most appropriate comment. Our database indicates that the proposed development falls in an archaeologically sensitive area associated with both Stone Age and Iron Age activities. The Paleo-sensitivity map also places the proposed development in an area that is underlain by sediments that have a very high fossil sensitivity. For this reason a Phase 1 full Heritage Impact Assessment Report incorporating a Paleontological Field Assessment Report and protocol for finds is required.

Please download our list of Heritage Practitioners from our website [www.heritagekzn.co.za](http://www.heritagekzn.co.za). You are also required to visit the website of the Paleontological Society of South Africa, <http://www.palaeontologicalsociety.co.za>) for a list of paleontological specialists.

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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## Access road to Emaswazini

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/258796>  
(KZN DoT, Ref: Emaswazini D1376)

### 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 Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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