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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Berend van Deventer
Wingimix (Pty) Ltd
94 Central Road
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Wingimix (Pty) Ltd applied for a prospecting right over a portion of the Remaining Extent of Portion 12 of the Farm T'Keikams Poort 71, Prieska District, Northern Cape Province

Wingimix (Pty) Ltd has been appointed to undertake an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application and Prospecting Right Application for proposed activities on farm T'Keikamspoor71 near Prieska, Northern Cape Province. The proposed prospecting activities include 40 boreholes, on average 50 m deep, and 10 boreholes, on average 75 m deep.

G & A Heritage and Natura Viva CC have been appointed to provide heritage specialist input as part of the EA process.

Almond, J. E. 2018. Recommended Exemption from further palaeontological studies: Prospecting Rights Application for Farm Keikamspoor 71, Northern Cape Province.

The proposed prospecting activities are underlain by unfossiliferous Precambrian metamorphic rocks which are overlain by small patches of highly weathered glacial sediments of the Dwyka Group that may contain very few fossils. The overlying superficial Gordonia formation sediments are of low palaeontological sensitivity and may contain Pleistocene mammalian remains. Given the small footprint of the development, the impact to fossil heritage is rated as very low. A Chance Finds Procedure provided must be implemented.

Gaigher, S. 2018. Heritage Impact Assessment Scoping Report for the Prospecting Rights Application Core and Percussion Boreholes: Keikamspoor 71 near Prieska in the Northern Cape Province.

Several surface scatters of Middle Stone Age (MSA) and Later Stone Age (LSA) tools were identified throughout the development footprint and were rated as sites of low significance. No impacts on these sites are expected. Stone walled livestock enclosures, brick outbuildings, and mud-brick huts were identified, however they will not be impacted by the proposed drill sites. A Chance Finds Procedure is recommended for

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the proposed development.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requests that the EIA documents and all appendices must be submitted to the application so that an informed comment may be issued. Additionally, the GPS tracks of the areas surveyed must be provided as per section 5.3 of the HIA report.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above.

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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