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## **Interim Comment**

**In terms of Section 38(8), 38(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)**

Attention: AGES (PTY) Ltd - Limpopo

PO Box 2526  
Polokwane  
0700

**Proposed New Residential Development on Portions 163 and 164 on the farm Sterkloop 688LS, Polokwane, Capricorn District, Limpopo.**

Africa-Geo Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd is undertaking an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) on behalf of their clients, in respect of listed activities in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014, that require an application for Environmental Authorisation, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA).

To meet the requirements of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) by Shasa Heritage Consultants was undertaken and the report submitted to South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) for commenting.

*Roodt, F. August 2018. Phase 1 Heritage Resource Impact Assessment (Scoping & Evaluation) Proposed New Residential Development on Portions 163 and 164 on the Farm Sterkloop 688LS Polokwane, Capricorn District, Limpopo Statement with Regard to Heritage Resources Management.*

The author undertook a field assessment of the proposed development area and did not identify any heritage resources that may be impacted by the construction of the two dams. The author requests an exemption from undertaking a HIA because the area is largely disturbed, and the field assessment undertaken in the Scoping Phase is sufficient to determine no surface heritage will be disturbed during construction. The author recommends no further mitigation measures.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology, Meteorites (APM) Unit cannot accept this HIA because the report does not contain a tracklog, as evidence of a field survey that was undertaken. In addition, the HIA does not contain a project description and it does not provide a map of the finalised plans of the residential development. Therefore, it is not clear if the impact area was assessed. The HIA does not follow the SAHRA 2007 minimum standards for impact assessment guidelines and section 38(3) of the NHRA.

It is not clear at which stage of the EA application process this application is in, this must be stated. If the comments were sourced from SAHRA after the EA was granted then this case must be made into a 38(1) application for SAHRA decision.

The HIA must be amended to address the above mentioned concerns and the amended HIA must be submitted to the case for commenting.

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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**ADMIN:**

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