



Interim Comment

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

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Proposed Development Of The High Altitude Training Centre in Emakhazeni, Mpumalanga

Van Schalkwyk, J. (October 2011). Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Development of the High Altitude Sports Centre , Belfast, Mpumalanga Province

The above report was submitted to SAHRA for the proposed development of a high altitude training facility in Mpumalanga. The aim of this facility is to provide top level support for South African athletes. The proposed development includes facilities for accommodation, administration, support infrastructure and a variety of sports grounds. Two alternative layouts for the facility have been proposed. According to the submitted report, alternative B is the preferred alternative.

The submitted report identified no heritage resources on the property.

The submitted report did not include an assessment of palaeontological heritage resources that may be impacted. No assessment of visual impact of the proposed facility has been provided. The report did not indicate how the proposed alternatives differ from one another and as such, SAHRA is unable to determine which is preferred in terms of impact to heritage resources. It is unclear whether or not this proposed facility falls within the urban edge and no motivation was provided as to the location of the proposed facility. The heritage report did not include any track paths.

Comment

SAHRA is unable to provide comment based on the information submitted. SAHRA will await the required information outlined above before commenting further. This includes;

- An assessment of the impact of the proposed development on palaeontological resources
- An assessment of the visual impact of the proposed development
- An explanation as to the proposed alternatives and how they differ and why
- A motivation as to the choice of the location of the proposed development
- Track paths

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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