

PHASE 1 HIA REPORT FOR PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON VARIOUS PORTIONS OF THE FARM ROOIKOPPIES 297JQ IN MARIKANA, NORTHWEST PROVINCE

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Interim Comment

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

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PHASE 1 HIA REPORT FOR PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING & RELATED ACTIVITIES ON VARIOUS PORTIONS OF THE FARM ROOIKOPPIES 297JQ IN MARIKANA, NORTHWEST PROVINCE - APAC019/88

Seaton Thomson & Associates have been appointed by Homes 2000 (Pty) Limited to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application process for a proposed residential development on various portions of the farm Rooikoppies 297-JQ, near Marikana, Rustenburg, North West Province.

A draft Scoping Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include RDP housing units and freehold bonded housing units, with all bulk and internal services and infrastructure such as roads, water, sewage, power and stormwater management. The proposed development will cover 116 ha.

A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) has been conducted as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA.

Pelser, A. 2019. Phase 1 HIA Report for the proposed development of affordable housing and related activities on various portions of the farm Rooikoppies 297JQ in Marikana, North West Province.

One burial ground of indeterminate age consisting of approximately 20 graves was identified within the proposed development boundary. The site was rated with a high significance rating. The developer has indicated with the burial ground will be excluded from the development and will be preserved in situ.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

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- The burial ground should be managed through a Heritage Management Plan, be properly cleaned. the graves be recorded in detail, a Graves register be drafted and the site fenced-in properly to allow family members access to visit;
- If not possible to avoid impact to the graves, a social consultation process must be undertaken to locate the descendants of the deceased, and permits to be applied for should consent be given;
- A Chance Finds Procedure is recommended to be followed.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted report and the results contained therein. SAHRA awaits the submission of the draft EIA and all appendices before further comments will be issued.

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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