



Final Comment

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

Attention: Mr Thomas Moolman
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2007

CONSULTATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT 2002, (ACT 28 OF 2002) FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN ON A PORTION OF THE REMAINDER OF THE FARM DIKDOORN NO. 535, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND: NORTHERN CAPE.

Kaplan, J. (March 2013). Heritage Impact Assessment Proposed Mining on the Remainder of the Farm Dikdoorn No. 535 near Garies Northern Cape, Specialist Archaeological Study

The above HIA was submitted in support of a proposed mine near Garies in the Northern Cape. The proposed mining will be restricted to previously mined areas. The old mine has been long-abandoned and all old mining equipment has been removed.

The proposed plant and logistics area of the mine, covering 1.2ha, is located on previously disturbed land. An undisturbed area of 2.3ha is proposed for stockpiling of mined material.

The submitted HIA identified no heritage resources in the affected areas.

Comment

According to the information provided in this HIA, it is unlikely that any significant impacts on heritage resources will result from the proposed mining as the area has been previously disturbed by historical quarrying activities.

Consequently, SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed mining on the condition that if any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Jenna Lavin/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.





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:

(DMR, Ref: NCS 30/5/1/3/3/2/1/10105 EM)

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

