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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Frogfoot Networks

Deployment of a fibre network within certain areas within the Sol Plaatje Municipal Area in the Northern Cape Province by Frogfoot Networks.

Christine Havenga & Associates in consultation with Urban Design Services and Viridian Consulting Landscape Architects has been appointed by Frogfoot Networks (Pty) Ltd to conduct a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) as part of an application in terms of section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) for the proposed fibre network system in the Sol Plaatje Municipal Area, Kimberley, Northern Cape Province.

The proposed fibre network will be installed in eight (8) sectors within the city and will include activities such as conventional trenching with backfilling. Aerial fibre will also be installed with associated activities such as tree and bush cutting, excavation of pole holes, and hauling of optical fibre cable. It is important to note that all activities will occur within the sidewalk section of the municipal road reserve.

A Heritage Impact Assessment was submitted for the application and was discussed in the Interim Comment issued on the 23/06/2021 (<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/574459>).

In the Interim Comment issued by SAHRA on the 23/06/2021, while SAHRA stated that there was no opposition to the proposed development, SAHRA requesting that additional information be provided in order to provide clear conditions for the development.

On the 02/07/2021, a response from the applicant was received noting that due to the extent of the additional information requested, the application as outlines in the HIA would be withdrawn and that a smaller scope of work would be applied for. The letter noted that an amended HIA would be submitted for review.

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SAHRA notes the response letter dated 02/07/2021, and awaits the amended HIA with the reduced scope of work as noted in the response letter in order to issue further comments.

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Yours faithfully

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