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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Bertus Bierman

Lebalelo Water User Association

8 Charbury Road, Lynnwood Manor, Pretoria, 0081

Lebalelo Water User Association (LWUA) is proposing upgrades at its Clapham Dam located near Burgersfort, Limpopo Province. The proposed upgrades at LWUA's Clapham Storage Dam is required as several developments have taken place around the dam and LWUA wishes to take precautionary measures should the dam overflow. The purpose of the upgrades will ensure that if the dam overflows, water is handled in a controlled and safe manner to prevent damage to private property and ensure the safety of human lives.

Lebalelo Water User Association (LWUA) is proposing upgrades at its Clapham Dam located near Burgersfort, on the Farm Clapham 118 KT, in the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality of the Limpopo Province. They are proposing to construct new overflow structure to prevent flooding of the surrounding new residential developments.

Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants cc has been appointed by LWUA to apply for a Water Use Licence in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA) and the an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act no 107 of 1998 (NEMA) as amended, for activities that trigger the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) 2014 Regulations, as amended.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requests that an assessment of the impacts to heritage resources that complies with section 38(3) of the NHRA as required by section 38(8) of the NHRA and section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA be conducted as part of the EA process.

The assessment must include an assessment of the impact to archaeological and palaeontological resources. The assessment of archaeological resources must be conducted by a qualified archaeologist and the report comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Components of Impact Assessment Reports (see www.asapa.co.za or www.asapa.co.za o

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The appointed specialist may submit letters of exemption for this proposed development.

SAHRA advises the applicant to extend the EA process in terms of section 19(1)b of the NEMA Regulations in order to comply with this comment. Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the requested above.

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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