



an agency of the  
Department of Arts and Culture

T: +27 21 462 4502 | F: +27 21 462 4509 | E: [info@sahra.org.za](mailto:info@sahra.org.za)  
South African Heritage Resources Agency | 111 Harrington Street | Cape Town  
P.O. Box 4637 | Cape Town | 8001  
[www.sahra.org.za](http://www.sahra.org.za)

Enquiries: Nokukhanya Khumalo

Tel: 021 462 4502

Email: [nkhumalo@sahra.org.za](mailto:nkhumalo@sahra.org.za)

CaseID: 17404

Date: Friday November 12, 2021

Page No: 1

## **Interim Comment**

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

Attention: Neels Kruger

#### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (AIA) ON PORTIONS OF THE FARM WEIKRANS 539KQ FOR THE PROPOSED RAPHUTI INFORMAL SETTLEMENT PROJECT, WATERBERG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

The Housing Development Agency have is proposing to expand the existing Raphuti village, the expansion area will be approximately 32 hectares, on the farm Weikrans 539 KQ, in Thabazimbi Local Municipality of Limpopo Province. The agency is proposing the construction of a town hall, residential and business areas, educational and health facilities, open spaces and internal roads.

Kantey & Templar Consulting Engineers (Pty) Ltd have been appointed to undertake an environmental assessment as part of the Basic Assessment process in support of an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environment Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) for activities that trigger the NEMA EIA 2014 Regulations.

A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) by Exigo (Pty) Ltd was submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) for commenting in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

*Kruger, N. January 2021. Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) on Portions of the farm Weikrans 539KQ for the Proposed Raphuti Informal Settlement Project, Waterberg District Municipality, Limpopo Province.*

The author undertook a field assessment of the proposed development area and did not identify any heritage resources. The study area was used for crop farming and most recently as an informal settlement. Also, portions of the proposed development area is located in fossiliferous zones and an assessment of impacts to palaeontological resources will have to be undertaken.

#### **Interim Comment**

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology, and Meteorites (APM) notes the recommendations provided in the

**AIA FOR THE PROPOSED RAPHUTI INFORMAL SETTLEMENT PROJECT,  
WATERBERG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

**Our Ref: 17404**



an agency of the  
Department of Arts and Culture

T: +27 21 462 4502 | F: +27 21 462 4509 | E: [info@sahra.org.za](mailto:info@sahra.org.za)  
South African Heritage Resources Agency | 111 Harrington Street | Cape Town  
P.O. Box 4637 | Cape Town | 8001  
[www.sahra.org.za](http://www.sahra.org.za)

Enquiries: Nokukhanya Khumalo

Tel: 021 462 4502

Email: [nkhumalo@sahra.org.za](mailto:nkhumalo@sahra.org.za)

CaseID: 17404

Date: Friday November 12, 2021

Page No: 2

HIA report and endorses the recommendation for undertaking an assessment of impacts to palaeontological resources.

The proposed development area is located within an area of moderate sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map policy. The HIA notes that the development area is located in a fossiliferous zone, and recommends an assessment of impacts to palaeontological resources. As such, **a desktop Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) must be undertaken by a qualified palaeontologist**

(See <https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html> for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessments.

The applicant is advised to extend the BAR process in terms of section 19(1)b of the NEMA EIA regulations in order to comply with this comment.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the requested reports.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

---

Nokukhanya Khumalo  
Heritage Officer  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

**AIA FOR THE PROPOSED RAPHUTI INFORMAL SETTLEMENT PROJECT,  
WATERBERG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

**Our Ref: 17404**



an agency of the  
Department of Arts and Culture

T: +27 21 462 4502 | F: +27 21 462 4509 | E: [info@sahra.org.za](mailto:info@sahra.org.za)  
South African Heritage Resources Agency | 111 Harrington Street | Cape Town  
P.O. Box 4637 | Cape Town | 8001  
[www.sahra.org.za](http://www.sahra.org.za)

Enquiries: Nokukhanya Khumalo

Tel: 021 462 4502

Email: [nkhumalo@sahra.org.za](mailto:nkhumalo@sahra.org.za)

CaseID: 17404

Date: Friday November 12, 2021

Page No: 3

Phillip Hine

Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

---

**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/587815>