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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Bakenrant Boerdery

Proposed agricultural development on Erven 359, Kakamas-North Settlement, Kai !Garib Local Municipality, ZF Mgcawu District Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

The ECO Balance Planning Co has been appointed by Bakenrant Boerdery Pty Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed removal of natural vegetation to establish agricultural activities on Erven 359, Kakamas North Settlement, Northern Cape Province (NC/EIA/01/ZFM/KA!/KAK1/2022).

A draft Scoping Report (DSR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include two alternatives i.e. the development of approximately 110 ha agricultural areas or the development of 63.82 ha for agricultural purposes, and an irrigation pipeline (\pm 3.4 km long).

Banzai Environmental (Pty) Ltd and Ubique Heritage Consultants have been appointed to provide heritage specialist input as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

Butler, E. 2021. Palaeontological Desktop Assessment for the Proposed Agricultural Development, on Plot 106 Bakenrant, Z F Municipality, Kai !Garib Mgcawu District Local Municipality, near Kakamas in the Northern Cape.

The proposed development area is underlain by Precambrian basement rocks of the Namaqua-Natal Province that do not contain fossils, which are overlain by the superficial sediments of the Gordonia Formation that may contain more recent fossils and trace fossils such as trackways and burrow casts. A Fossil Finds Procedure is recommended to be implemented.

Fivaz, H and Engelbrecht, J. 2021. Phase 1 HIA Report Bakenrant Plot 106 Kakamasnorth Northern Cape.

A total of one heritage resource was identified outside of the proposed development footprint. This included

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one low density surface scatter of Stone Age lithics of low heritage significance. A Chance Finds Procedure is recommended to be implemented.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted heritage specialist reports and will provide further comments upon receipt of the draft EIA report inclusive of appendices.

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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