Construction of 30ha of Agricultural Development on Kakamas North Settlement No. 341, Augrabies

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

Attention: Valam Boerdery (Pty) Ltd

Construction of 30ha of Agricultural Development on Kakamas North Settlement No. 341, Augrabies. This entails the construction of an additional 30ha development area on the property mentioned above. This application is in addition to the original assessment for the rectification of the illegal raisin drying area on the property.

GroenbergEnviro (Pty) Ltd have been appointed by Valam Boerdery (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed cultivation of vineyards across small streams, on Kakamas North Settlement No 341, near Augrabies, Northern Cape Province.

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 the clearance of 30 ha of land and the relocation of the existing raisin drying area (2 ha).

Natura Viva CC and ACRM were 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).

Almond, J. E. 2020. Palaeontological Assessment: Recommended Exemption from Further Palaeontological Studies. Rectification of agricultural developments on the Farm Oorkant, Kakamas North Settlement No 341, near Augrabies, Kai! Garib Municipality, Northern Cape

The proposed development area is underlain by ancient Precambrian igneous and metamorphic rocks that do not contain fossils which are overlain by superficial aeolian and alluvium sands of Quaternary to recent age. A Chance Finds Procedure is recommended to be implemented.

Kaplan, J. 2020. Archaeological Impact Assessment: Illegal agricultural development and proposed new vineyard development on the Farm Oorkant, Kakamas North Settlement No 341, near Augrabies, Kai! Garib Municipality, Northern Cape.

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A total of 22 heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. These include surface scatters of Stone Age lithics, hammerstone and pottery sherds of low heritage significance. No other heritage resources were identified within the proposed development footprint. No mitigation measures were provided.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted heritage reports and awaits the Draft EIA inclusive of appendices before further comments are issued.

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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