



Final Comment

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

Attention: HydroScience
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SECTION 24G RECTIFICATION FOR THE UNLAWFUL COMMENCEMENT AND CONTINUATION OF LISTED ACTIVITIES ON THE VANCHEM VANADIUM PRODUCTS SITE IN FERROBANK, eMALAHLENI, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

We have received notification of your application for the construction and use of a pregnant solution tanks, condensate tanks and storm water dam (SWD) at VVP in Ferrobank in terms of S24G of NEMA.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. Before such sites are disturbed by development that triggers NEMA, it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment is done in terms of Section 38(8) of the NHRA. This report must assess the impact of the proposed development on heritage resources and must provide possible mitigation measures, which may involve recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed.

In the information supplied to SAHRA, it is clear that this work has already been completed. In addition, based on the disturbed nature of the area in terms of previous development, it is unlikely that significant heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed development.

As such, SAHRA has no objection to the proposed development of a pregnant solution tanks, condensate tanks and storm water dam (SWD) at VVP in Ferrobank in terms of S24G of NEMA.

Should any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Jenna Lavin/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

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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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/132866>
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Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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