



Final Comment

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

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Tip Trans Holdings (Pty) Ltd. intends to establish their regional headquarters (including an operational control centre and repair facility on a portion of Portion 33 of the farm Vaalbank 289 JS, Middelburg, Mpumalanga.

Van Vollenhoven, A. March 2014. *REPORT ON A CULTURAL HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR A PROPOSED TRANSPORT FACILITY ON PORTION 33 OF THE FARM VAALBANK 289 JS, CLOSE TO MIDDELBURG, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE*

Thank you for submitting the BID and above heritage report to SAHRA for comment on the proposed development of the regional headquarters for Tip Trans. This proposed facility will include an operational control centre and a repair facility to cover approximately 14ha of the 26.0437ha property. The infrastructure proposed for this development includes a main office, a workshop, an operations control room, a recreational area, a parking area for approximately 200 trucks, a diesel refueling bay, a wash bay, a canteen and drivers quarters, a security office and a private vehicle parking area. The development will be connected to existing municipal services however bulk pipelines will be required to connect to existing infrastructure.

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999), any proposed development that requires an application in terms of NEMA must have an assessment of impacts to heritage resources completed as part of the application process. The relevant heritage authority must determine whether the assessment done in terms of impacts to heritage resources satisfies our requirements and must provide comments or recommendations to the decision-making authority.

According to the submitted heritage report, the area proposed for development forms part of the Vaalbank Private Nature Reserve as declared in 1961 however, it has not been utilised as such and has been recently disturbed. The low stone-walled remains of a workers cottage was identified as the only heritage resource on the property. This resource has low heritage significance.

The geology of the area proposed for development has low palaeontological sensitivity and as such, it is unlikely that significant heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed development.

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Based on the submitted information, SAHRA has no objection to the proposed development as it is unlikely that significant heritage resources will be impacted.





Our Ref: 16/5/1 Tip Trans Transport Facility

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If 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/137711>
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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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