

## Final Comment

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

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### Eskom requests for a line on Zoetendalsvlei 125 HS (Portion 6), in Volksrust, project number, Thuthuka Primary.

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the proposal to build a power line on Portion 6 of Farm Zoetendalsvlei 125 HS, Mpumalanga province. The powerline is proposed to extend for a total of 345m. It is noted that this proposed development does not trigger the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998), however this development does constitute a linear development exceeding 300m as per Section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999).

In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999), the relevant heritage authority is required to determine whether or not the proposed development is likely to impact on any significant heritage resources.

Based on the submitted information, it is unlikely that significant heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed development.

As such, no further heritage studies are required and Section 38(3) does not apply as per Section 38(2)b. Please note, however, that heritage resources are still generally protected in terms of the National Heritage resources Act. Heritage resources likely to occur in the area include rock art, buried ceramics, archaeological artefacts and burials.

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed development on the condition that 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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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/164115>

**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.

