



Final Comment

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

Attention: Kakamas Hydro Electric Power
PO Box 50
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Proposed new power-line route south of the river to Kakamas, Northern Cape.

Orton, J. June 2013. ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSPECTION OF A SPOIL HEAP LOCATION FOR THE KAKAMAS HYDRO ELECTRIC FACILITY, NORTHERN CAPE

Environmental Authorisation has already been granted for the above proposed development, however insufficient space had been made available in the original application for the storage of excavated materials. A site was identified for this storage. In a letter dated 26 June 2013, SAHRA requested that this identified site be assessed for impacts to archaeological resources.

An earlier survey identified Middle Stone Age scatters along the foot of the Neusberg in the vicinity of the proposed spoil heap. One such scatter has already been mitigated. The field survey identified four "sites" that will be impacted by the proposed spoil heap. These sites have low heritage significance. Several small excavations were also noted in the study. These were attributed to 20th Century quarrying activities.

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Based on the information provided, it is unlikely that the proposed spoil heaps will impact on significant archaeological material. SAHRA therefore has no objection to the proposed development.

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 (Kathryn Smuts/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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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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