

Final Comment

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

Attention: Mr Wellington Sandile Mazibuko
Inzalo Crushing and Aggregates (Pty) Ltd
Portion of Portion 2
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Mpumalanga
3701

Application for Environmental authorisation to mine 19.8ha of a portion of Portion 30 of the farm Doornrug 302 JS, Balmoral District, Mpumalanga Province.

Inzalo (Pty) Ltd proposes to establish an open case sand quarry in extent of 19.8 ha on an existing quarry site. It will be located on Portion 30 of the farm Doornrug 302 JS, Emalahleni Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province. The Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) has been submitted as per the request made by SAHRA in the comment dated 25/03/2015.

Under sections 34, 35 and 36 of the National Heritage Resources Act (25 of 1999) heritage resources are protected. These resources are for instance burial grounds, unmarked and marked graves that are older than 60 years, built structures that are older than 60 years old, archaeology (stone tools, stone walled sites, prehistoric and historic pottery sherds, ash grounds etc.) and palaeontology (fossils of plant and animal material).

Van Der Walt, J. May 2015. *Archaeological Impact Assessment For the proposed Mining project on a portion of Portion 30 of the farm Doornrug 302 JS, Balmoral District, Mpumalanga Province.*

The author undertook a field survey of the proposed development with the aim of finding and documenting any heritage resources located in and around the proposed prospecting area. There were no heritage resources located during the survey as the area has been heavily disturbed by the existing quarries mining activities.

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit exempts the development from commissioning a Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) because the palaeontological sensitivity of the proposed location is *Insignificant* (<http://www.sahra.org.za/sahris/map/palaeo>). SAHRA requires for a suitably qualified professional palaeontologist to inform on palaeontology of the proposed development.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objections to this proposed development on the following conditions:

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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 and charcoal/ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502), and unmarked human burials contact the SAHRA BGG Unit (Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490), 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

Nokukhanya Khumalo
Heritage Officer
South African Heritage Resources Agency

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/191478>

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.

