

Final Comment

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

Attention: GIBB Engineering & Science - Head Office
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The Emfuleni Local Municipality is proposing to develop a multi-purpose recreational facility in the Palm Springs area located in Gauteng Province. The facility will comprise inter alia: tennis courts, swimming pool, hall, abultion facilities and soccer field. the proposed development with be locate on Erf 4395 Stretford Extension 1.

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 Schalkwyk, J. A. June 2014. Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment Report for the Proposed Development of a Sports Centre in Palm Springs, Emfuleni, Gauteng Province.

A field survey of the proposed Palm Springs recreational facility identified no heritage resources. The proposed development area involves refurbishment and expansion of existing sports fields in the middle of town.

Groenewald, G. July 2015. Palaeontological Desktop Assessment for the Proposed Development of a Multi-Purpose Recreational Facility in Palm Springs for Emfuleni Local Municipality, Sedibeng District Municipality, Gauteng Province

The underlying rocks of the proposed development area are sediments of the Vaalian Hekpoort Formation, considered to be of moderate palaeontological sensitivity. Fossils that may be found are stromatolites, however the site is disturbed previously by urban development and the soil cover is possibly deep. It is therefore unlikely that significant fossil heritage will be impacted by the proposed development.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit have no objection to this proposed development on the condition that the following are strictly adhered to:

- 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, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the

Proposed Recreational Facility in Palm Springs

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findings.

- If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary, and a permit will be needed before mitigation. You may contact SAHRA APM Unit for further details: (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Phillip Hine 021 202 8652),

- and if any unmarked human burials are uncovered then please contact the SAHRA BGG Unit (Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490).

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/192839>
(GDARD, Ref: 002/14-15/0252)

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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