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Final Decision

In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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Proposed construction of a 22 kv powerline in Middelburg. Project name: Jaco van der Walt. Project number: WM133263991. Steve Tshwete local municipality, Mpumalanga

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the proposed power line development between the towns of Emalahleni and Middelburg. The power line will be located on Portion 38 of the farm Elandspruit 291 JS, Steve Tshwete Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province. The length of the power line is intended to be 509.934m. The power lines will be starting at the Doornpoort/Uitkyk 22kV rural feeder for a line deviation.

It should be noted that this proposed development constitutes 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 to this case, the route in which the power line is intended to traverse near a mine and road servitude and crosses an existing 88kv transmission power line.

Final Decision

Due to the low ground clearing and disturbance of a 22kV power line construction and/or development, it is unlikely that any significant heritage will be disturbed during construction in the area of proposed power line route, as such no further heritage studies are required as per Section 38(2)b.

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 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.



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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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