



Final Comment

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

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Proposed 8 hectare mixed land-use township development, to be named, Lydenburg Extension 107, on the Remaining Extent of Portion 79 (a portion of Portion 70) of the Farm Sterkspruit 33, J.T, in Lydenburg, Thaba Chweu Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province

Reach More Lydenburg 1 (Pty) Ltd proposes to construct a mixed use residential area the total extent is proposed to be 8.3 ha, located on remainder of Portion 79 of the farm Sterkspruit 33 JT, Thaba Chweu Local Municipality, in Limpopo Province.

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).

Hutten, M. January 2015. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Mixed -Use Development on the Remaining Portion of Portion 79 (a portion of Portion 70) of the Farm Sterkspruit 33 JT, in Lydenburg, Thaba Chweu Local Municipality in the Mpumalanga Province.

The author undertook a field assessment of the proposed development to document any heritage resources located on the foot print of the various development locations. During the survey, two Later Iron Age (LIA) stone walled sites were identified at the western end of the proposed construction site. A homestead was also identified along with a furrow. The age of the homestead and furrow is fairly recent and considered low significance.

Millstead, B.D. November 2014. Desktop Palaeontological Heritage Impact Assessment Report on the Site of the Proposed Mixed-Use Development on the Remaining Portion of Portion 79 (A Portion of Portion 70) of the farm Sterkspruit 33 JT, in Lydenburg, Thaba Chweu Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province .





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The author undertook a desktop survey of the proposed development with the aim of assessing the potential for any palaeontological resources to be damaged by the proposed development. The underlying geology is part of the Palaeoproterozoic Silverton Formation, which is known to be devoid of fossil materials. The possibility of uncovering fossiliferous rocks when excavating is therefore zero.

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

- The stone walled sites need to be mapped before construction can be go forward. The map needs to be submitted to the case.
- 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 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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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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