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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Jacana Environmental cc

The proposed crocodile breeding operation is located approximately 10km north of Waterpoort and falls within the Makhado Local Municipality in the Vhembe District of Limpopo Province. The area is disturbed by intensive farming with little natural vegetation remaining. The preferred terrain contains the remains of two demolished silage silos (for stock fodder). The silos were built with modern concrete blocks and are not older than 60 years. They exhibit no significant culture historical features in either style or construction.

Jacana Environmental cc as the environmental consultants for the Bosman Crocodile Captive Breeding Operation project has appointed RR Cultural Resources Consultants to conduct a Heritage Impact Assessment for the proposed development. The proposed project area is located 10 km away from the town of Waterpoort on the farm Bosjesveld 669 MS in Makhado Local Municipality of the Limpopo Province.

Roodt, F. May 2016. Heritage Impact Statement: Bosman Crocodile Captive Breeding Operation, Makhado Municipality in the Vhembe District of Limpopo Province.

The author was appointed to conduct a heritage impact assessment on areas 1 and 4 of the proposed development as they are the preferred options for development and also because areas 2 and 3 are located in ploughed fields. The survey identified two demolished silage silos built with concrete blocks making the silos younger than 60 years, and also 8 km away from the proposed development is the Machedema Provincial Heritage Site.

The Heritage assessment report does not include detailed project description that outlines what will be constructed, extent of impact and areas that will be impacted. Furthermore there is no map that places the relevant identified possible heritage resources identified in background literature review and within the project area and distances to the planned activities. In short this report does not meet the minimum standards for Heritage Impact Assessment that SAHRA requires in order to process a case.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit does not accept the Heritage Impact Assessment



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Report as it is and will make further comment on this case once the following information is submitted to the case:

All the available documents for the project including any environmental assessment documents.

A detailed project description of the proposed crocodile breeding project that includes what will be constructed or changed on the landscape as well as the extent of the proposed operation.

The heritage survey foot track log should be added into the HIA report and also for the report to be amended to include additional detailed information about surrounding cultural landscape and background of the project area. The HIA must meet the requirements set out in the minimum standards for impact assessments.

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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