

HERITAGE IDENTIFICATION, MANAGEMENT & PROTECTION

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Construction of Culvert on Road L2013 (Bergville)

# **Final Comment**

# IN TERMS OF SECTION 38 OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999) AND SECTION OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05 OF 2018)

Attention: KwaZulu Natal Department of Transport

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport has proposed a construction of a bridge culvert which will consist of 3 cells of 2.4mx 2.4m box culverts making a total span of 4.8 m. The proposed new bridge culvert will be constructed on the District Collector Road (Class 4 road) over the stream along L2013 road at an old crossing which has been washed-away.

The application for comment/decision in terms of heritage legislation has been considered by the Provincial Heritage Authority, the KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute . The HIA done by Frans Prins concluded that there are no heritage sites on the development footprint.

The PIA report by Professor Marion Bamford states that the site is largely disturbed as the culvert is over a stream and on an existing road, with paths and tracks alongside it. No palaeontological site visit is required unless fossils are found once excavations for the culvert and foundations have commenced.

The KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute therefore has no objection to the proposed development within limits of the stipulated conditions and mitigation measures.

You are also required to adhere to the below-mentioned standard conditions:

Conditions:

1. The KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earth-moving activities and all development should cease until further notice.

2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute.

3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed or removed from site unless under direction of the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute and a heritage specialist.

4. Should any remains be found on site that is potentially human remains, the South African Police Service (SAPS) should also be contacted. No SAPS official may disturb or exhume such remains,

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without the necessary permission from the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute.

5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.

6. Sources of all natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage legislation.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act could lead to legal action being instituted against the applicant.

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: https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/574093 (KZNEDTEA, Ref: DC23/005/2021)

Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval

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for proposed work.

- 2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to the Institute immediately.
- 3. The Institute reserves the right to request additional information as required.

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