



## Final Comment

### In terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

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#### Upgrade of gravel road in Dambuza, Pietermaritzburg, KZN

The desktop based heritage assessment document by Gavin Anderson of Umlando submitted in support of the application for the proposed road upgrade has been considered. The map provided for the proposed development shows that the area is built-up. The heritage practitioner has recommended an exemption from a full heritage impact assessment based on results of the desktop study.

While the possibility of uncovering archaeological material is rendered minimal, the developer's attention is drawn to the possibility of impacting on cultural landscape associated with the Edendale long history of human occupation and activities including the struggle history. An important component of an assessment of such an area is consultation with communities affected by the proposed development and other interested and affected parties regarding the impact of the development on heritage resources.

As the development is an upgrade, it is unlikely that any existing structures including foundations and graves that might be linked to such history will be impacted. However, if the development is not limited to existing track-footprint/alignment, a field-based heritage study is automatically triggered in order to ensure identification and assessment of impact of the development on all the identified heritage resources. This should be augmented by a public consultation process conducted by the heritage practitioner to ascertain presence or otherwise of graves.

Amafa therefore has no objection to the development.

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

#### Conditions:

1. Amafa should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earthmoving activities and all development should cease until further notice.





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2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from Amafa.
3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed or removed from site unless under direction of Amafa 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, whether of recent origin or not, without the necessary permission from Amafa.
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 Heritage Resources Act could lead to legal action being instituted against the applicant.

This decision is **valid for a period of two years.**

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 Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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