

**Mining permit for quarry on Farm Fairview 15281 within Umkhambathini Local Municipality
Mgungundlovu District in KwaZulu-Natal province.**

Final Comment

**IN TERMS OF SECTION 38 OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999)
AND SECTION 41 OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05
OF 2018)**

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Eston quarry is an existing free dig quarry situated on the farm Fairview, Portion 1 of Fairview No 15281, 700m from the R603 and approximately 15 km from the Camperdown N3 offramp. Most of the decomposed material has been removed by mechanical means, leaving even benches of softer shale/Gravel (G1-G7) rock of approximately 5m before becoming competent Gravel (G1-G7). Interested and affected parties are outside the 500m radius, being Rainbow Chicken Farm (RCL) and Beaumont Eston Farmer's Club (BEFA). Other more distant parties include Tala Game Reserve. The district road is 220m from the mining boundary. The total area available for mining activity is 4.29 hectares. See attached plan for a detailed location and area in extent. The site for the proposed quarry mining is located in Mkhambathini local Municipality, uMgungundlovu District KwaZulu-Natal Province of South Africa. It is proposed that 4.29ha. hectares will be used for mining. The depth of extraction will be 15m. Extraction of quarry is approximately 75000³ per annum. The equipment that will be used is 2 excavators, 2 TLB's, and 4x8 ton trucks.

The Heritage Officers' Committee reviewed your application on the 13 July 2022 and the additional documentation received on the 14 and 15 July 2022 were also reviewed. The committee noted that the proposed development is the extension and upgrading of an already existing quarry mining.

It was also noted that a proof of public participation submitted does not states any facts about the proposed development that might have a negative impact from a heritage point of view. The committee resolved to not object to the proposed development.

The developer is required to adhere to the following 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 Amafa and Research Institute.
3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed, inundated, collected, or removed from the site unless under the direction of the KwaZulu-Natal and Amafa Research Institute and a heritage specialist.
4. Should any remain, that could potentially be human remains be found on-site, the South African Police Service (SAPS) should be contacted and the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute must be notified immediately. No SAPS official may disturb or exhume such remains, without the necessary permission from the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute.
5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site that 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 and environmental (NEMA) legislation.

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/600239>

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