## Southey electrification project

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### **Final Decision**

In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mulalo Michael Muelelwa

Eskom - CROU

22 Goue Weg, Town and Townlands

Klerksdorp

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Eskom Holdings North West Distribution has been requested by Kagisano Molopo Local Municipality to electrify houses at Southey village. The project is part of the 2023/2024 Electrification Plan. The new development consists of 99 stands and 71 of them are occupied. The houses are of tin, mud, and brick type. Communal water has been installed and Electricity to be supplied by Eskom. Southey village is found in the Ganyesa area within Kagisano Molopo Local Municipality in the Dr Segomotsi Ruth Mompati District Municipality in North West Province.

Eskom Holdings North West Distribution has submitted an application in terms of section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) fon request of the Kagisano Molopo Local Municipality to electrify houses at Southey Village.

Eskom proposes the electrification of 99 stands by installing a 22 kV powerline, low voltage network/powerline, mount transformers and split meters on poles and connect houses. The powerline will be installed in a existing Villages with 71 stands already occupied. The proposed development is located in an area of moderate palaeontological sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map.

#### **Final Decision**

As the new line will be built in a disturbed area, there are likely no *in-situ* heritage resources, no further assessment of the impact to heritage resources is required as per section 38(2)a of the NHRA.

The following comments are made as a requirement in terms of section 38(2) and 38(4) of the NHRA and must be adhered to:

• 38(4)a – The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objections to the proposed development;

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• 38(4)b – No further conditions are required for the development;

38(4)c(i) – If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed development, SAHRA APM Unit (Elijah Katsetse/Phillip Hine 021 462 5402) must be alerted as per section 35(3) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;

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- 38(4)c(ii) If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit (Thingahangwi Tshivhase/Ngqalabutho Madida 012 320 8490), must be alerted immediately as per section 36(6) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;
- 38(4)d See section 51(1) of the NHRA regarding offenses;
- 38(4)e The following conditions apply with regards to the appointment of specialists:
- If heritage resources are uncovered during the course of the development, a professional archaeologist
  or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to
  inspect the heritage resource. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological
  or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued
  by SAHRA.

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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Heritage Officer

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### ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/608642

#### 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.