

BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BORROW PIT 5 & 9 ON REMAINDER PORTION OF MOILOS 412- JO

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In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Vhufa Hashu Heritage Consultants

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Excavations of material for road rehabilitation

SENZOMANZI (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by the Department of Public Works and Roads North West Province to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for proposed mining of burrow pit 5 and 9 on the Remainder of Portion of Moilos 412 JO, Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality, Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality, North West Province.

A Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, no 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the NEAM Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) Regulation, 2014 for activities that trigger the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (As Amended). The scope of work entails the excavation of gravel from burrow pits 5 and 9 for the rehabilitation of D417 road from Lobatleng to Motswedi.

Vhufa Hashu Heritage Consultants CC have been appointed to provide heritage input into the EA process as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA.

Munyai, R.R. May 2022. Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) for the Proposed Upgrading from Gravel to Surface of Road D417 from Lobatleng to Motswedi.

The specialist undertook both a desktop and field survey of the development area. No archaeological sites, heritage sites and graves was identified within the proposed road and proposed borrow pits.

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The SAHRA APM Unit acknowledges receipt of the BAR application and AIA report and request that the following is undertaken in terms of section 38(3) of the NHRA (25 of 1999):

The proposed burrow pits and road are located in an area of moderate palaeontological sensitivity, a desktop assessment of the impact to palaeontological resources must be undertaken. The assessment must be conducted by a qualified palaeontologist. The report must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA and the SAHRA 2006 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments, and the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Component of Heritage Impact Assessments. The Minimum Standards provides allowance for a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption that can be submitted by a qualified palaeontologist should they deem it appropriate.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above. The applicant is advised to extend the EA process in terms of section 19(1)b of the NEMA EIA regulations in order to comply with this comment.

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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