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## **Interim Comment**

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

Attention: Tlios (Pty) Ltd

**The activities entail the development of a feedlot and associated infrastructure on Portion 2 of the Farm Rietfontein No. 173, Registration Division Senekal, Free State Province situated within the Moqhaka Local Municipality area of jurisdiction. The town of Steynsrus is located approximately 9 km northwest of the proposed development. There is an existing feedlot located on Portion 2 of the Farm Rietfontein No. 173 which has a capacity to accommodate 1600 small stock units in 24 camps. The proposed development is for the expansion of the feedlot to accommodate approximately 15 000 small stock units in 16 camps with a density of approximately 3.5m<sup>2</sup> per stock unit. The Applicant for the development is Tlios (Pty) Ltd.**

Thank you for notifying the SAHRA on the proposed development of a feedlot and associated infrastructure on Portion 2 of the Farm Rietfontein No. 173 in Senekal within the Moqhaka Local Municipality, Free State Province.

The proposed development is for the expansion of an existing feedlot to accommodate approximately 15 000 small stock units in 16 camps with a density of approximately 3.5m<sup>2</sup> per stock unit.

As the proposed development is undergoing an EA Application process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, the developer will undertake a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) and a Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA). The heritage specialist studies will be done as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). This must include any other applicable heritage components. The HIA must be conducted as part of the EA Application in terms of NEMA and the NEMA EIA Regulations.

The archaeological component of the HIA should follow the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological Component of Impact Assessment Report. The quickest process to follow for the archaeological component would be to contract a qualified archaeologist (see [www.asapa.co.za](http://www.asapa.co.za) or [www.aphp.org.za](http://www.aphp.org.za)).

The proposed development area is located within an area of very high sensitivity in terms of palaeontological

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resources as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. As such, a field based Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) must be undertaken by a qualified palaeontologist (See <https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html> for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessments.

Any other heritage resources as defined in section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.

The NEMA EIA documents and appendices must be submitted at the start of the public review periods in order for an informed comment to be issued that can be incorporated into the final reports for submission to the competent authority.

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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