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Final Decision

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

Attention: Dr Edward Matenga

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Rehabilitation of graves accidentally disturbed

Kitso Mine accidentally uncovered graves during mining operations. By mutual agreement between the Mine and the community, represented by the Maremane Community Property Association, the mine appointed an Archaeologist to rebury the uncovered remains at their original location and rehabilitate the site. A rehabilitation permit could not be issued due to an alleged lack of public participation claimed by Mr James Pule during consent verification process. The Appointed Heritage Specialist Dr Matenga recently submitted a Conservation Management Plan which also recommends reburial of the exposed graves. After careful consideration, SAHRA hereby makes the following recommendations in terms of section section 36(3) of the National Heritage resources Act:

1. The appointed Archaeologist must conclude public consultation in terms of the provisions of the NHRA regulations of 2000.
2. Obtain consent from the identified families of the deceased individuals.
3. Submit evidence of consultation and agreement to the case to obtain a rehabilitation permit

It is only after the recommendations have been observed that SAHRA will reconsider its decision and allow the rehabilitation to take place.

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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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Acting Manager: Burial Grounds & Graves Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/514438>

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.