

Letter

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: A Pelser Archaeological Consulting
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Archaeological Excavations of LIA stone walled sites impacted by the development of the Steelpoort-Tubatse-Marble Hall Powerline Upgrade. Sites located close to two electric pylons (T15 & 17) will be impacted and the two pylons can not be moved due to technical reasons. Therefore mapping 7 excavation as per mitigation measures. Portion1 of the farm Steynsdrift 145JS, Mpumalanga Province. Near Steelpoort

Dear Mr Pelser,

The SAHRA APMHOB permit committee received your application requesting mitigation of part of the Late Iron Age site where pylons T15 and T17 of the 400kV power line between Steelpoort and Marblehall will be established.

A concern was raised by SAHRA about the clarity of the application since, although applying for the mitigation of two sites, the applicant stated that T15 and T17 do form part of a larger settlement complex in the area and in terms of time-period they are contemporaneous.

SAHRA requires that the permit report resulting from the excavation of the two parts of the establishment contains:

- a description of T15 and T17;
- how these sites relate to the bigger settlement;
- how contemporaneity of T15 and T17 with the larger settlement complex is deduced;
- clear mapping of the entire settlement with specific reference to T15 and T16.

The report will need to be found satisfactory by SAHRA before any permit for destruction of the remaining of T15 and T17 may be issued.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Permit: Tubatse Iron Age sites, T15 and T17, Mpumalanga

Our Ref: 9/2/236/002

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