

Interim Comment

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

Attention: Rekopane Estates (Pty) Ltd.
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Rekopane Estates wish to development 50 ha on Mc Taggart's Camp 453, Portion 35, taking in consideration the following: the land has been zoned as an agrizone, there will be a dam on the premises that has a water capacity of 11900 cubic meters, a pipeline with a length of 1484 m and a width of 315 mm will be installed across the land, the flow velocity of the water through the pipeline will be 1,4 m per second and the actual flow volume will be 370 cubic meters per hour. Provision has been made for a steel pipe running underneath the tarred N14 National Road. This proposed development of land for grape farming and associated infrastructure will take place on Mc Taggart's Camp 453, Portion 35, Z.F. Mgcau District Municipality, Northern Cape.

Thank you for informing us of the proposed agricultural development at Rekopane Estates, along the Orange River in the Northern Cape. As mentioned also by yourself, this notification follows the prescription of s. 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, since the proposed development is not included in any of the listed activities of NEMA.

After assessing the information provided, SAHRA requires that an archaeological impact assessment be conducted. Previous archaeological impact assessments undertaken on different portions of Farm Mc Taggart's Camp 453 have uncovered significant archaeological material, as such, it is imperative that the archaeological component of a heritage impact assessment be undertaken.

Since the proposed development is located on an area of very low palaeontological significance, no palaeontological impact assessment is required.

Other components to be assessed should include structures (s. 34 of the NHRA) and graves (s. 36). The assessment should also include any expected impact on the cultural landscape and on the living heritage, if any.

SAHRA is looking forward to receiving the archaeological impact assessment and commenting on it. Any comments on living heritage and structures older than 60 years must be submitted to the provincial heritage resources authority of the Northern Cape (Ngwao-Boswa Jwa Kapa Bokone).

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

Yours faithfully

Proposed Agricultural Development, Rekopane Estates

Our Ref: 9/2/032/0001

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/157037>
(DENC, Ref: Rekopane)

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.



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