



## Interim Comment

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

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### Proposed construction of a N11 Section 13 in Mokopane a distance of 24km inducing borrow pits and hard rock Quarry along the route, Limpopo Province

*Van Schalkwyk, J. September 2011. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Upgrade of a Section of the N11 National Route North of Mokopane, Limpopo Province*

SANRAL proposes the rehabilitation of section 13 of the National Road 11 north of Mokopane, Limpopo Province. Additional developments will include borrow pits, an AC batch plant and a Concrete batch plant. The following heritage resources were identified:

- A large cemetery on the border of the road servitude, which according to the specialist report will not be affected by the upgrade. The EAP informed SAHRA that the cemetery is currently fenced and that no impact will occur;
- Four bridges dating to 1952, 1953, 1958 and 1950s (for the fourth one the date is unclear but most likely similar to the previous three).

### Decision

SAHRA APM Unit has no objection to the proposed development in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources. However, the following recommendations must be implemented

- The village cemetery that was identified on the border of the road reserve must be retained *in situ*. If the graves in the cemetery are younger than 60 years other legislation apply;
- The proposed borrow pits must be inspected by a professional palaeontologist, or at least a letter of exemption must be submitted to SAHRA APM Unit;
- The four bridges that date to the 1950s are close to 60 years in age. If the bridges are younger than 60 years of age than the National Heritage Resources Act (Act no 25 of 1999) do not apply. Final decision regarding section 34 as it pertains to sections 38 must be sought from the Limpopo Heritage Resources Authority (Mr Donald Lithole, [litholek@sac.lp.gov.za](mailto:litholek@sac.lp.gov.za)). It is only once the bridges are older than 60 years that a permit application for their alteration must be undertaken.



# Rehabilitation of the N11 Mokopane

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- If any archaeological/palaeontological or any other heritage resources are identified during construction activities SAHRA APM Unit (Mrs Colette Scheermeyer/Mr Phillip Hine, tel: 021 462 4502) and an archaeologist/palaeontologist must be alerted immediately to inspect the findings. If the identified heritage resources are deemed to be significant a rescue excavation in terms of section 35 may be necessary.

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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## ADMIN:

(DEA, Ref: 12/12/20/2375)

### 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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