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## Response to NID (Notification of Intent to Develop)

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the  
KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

Attention: Emvelo Quality and Environmental Consultant

**Basic Assessment Report for the proposed Mhlana-Somopho Phase 3C Water Project at Somopho area, within the Jurisdiction of the Mfolozi Local Municipality, King Cetshwayo District Municipality; Kwa-Zulu Natal. The project entails construction of Reservoirs, pipelines (P34 & P35) Gravity Mains and Reticulation and Rehabilitation of existing systems within the Sub-Supply Area 17 (SSA 17). The scope of work for Phase 3 will comprise of the following: Installation of 5 reservoirs with a total capacity of 2.65 ML; Installation of 20km (1.3km – 110mm, 2.2km – 160mm, 7.3km – 250mm, 9km – 315mm) bulk pipeline; Installation of 37km (10km – 32mm, 1km -40mm, 17.5km – 50mm, 2.4km – 63mm, 2.5km – 75mm, 2.4km – 90mm, 1.25km – 110mm) of reticulation main; Installation of 3 173 metered connections and yard tap; The upgrading of the existing 20 x boreholes with associated infrastructure; 0.5 ML/day Package Plant; Auxiliary repair infrastructure.**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project as outlined above. The general area is associated with the rich history of the Nguni people. This office notes that the project is roughly following a road servitude. These roads were constructed before the heritage legislation was promulgated. The proposed project could impact on heritage resources that are protected in terms of sections 33, 34, 35, and 36 of the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (No. 4 of 2008) as well as sections 34, 35, and 36 of the NHRA. Amafa therefore requires the developer to appoint a heritage practitioner to conduct a field-based assessment that includes public participation to ensure that heritage resources including living heritage and places to which oral history is attached are not compromised.

A paleontological study of the area is not necessary for this particular assessment.

The Study should cover:

- Identification of all heritage resources in the development area and its surroundings -50m
- Assessment of the impact of the development on such heritage
- Evaluation of the impact of the development on heritage resources relative to the sustainable social and economic benefits to be derived from the development
- Results of consultation with communities affected by the proposed development and other interested and affected parties regarding the impact of the development on heritage resources.
- Consideration of alternatives if heritage resources are affected by the development
- Mitigation plans for any adverse effects during and after completion of the project
- Table of all heritage resources identified. This should show Heritage resource type, description, location, significance and reasons for this rating.

Please download our list of Heritage Practitioners from our website [www.heritagekzn.co.za](http://www.heritagekzn.co.za).

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



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Yours faithfully

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**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 Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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