## **Proposed Ntabenzima Road Upgrade**

Our Ref: SAH17/10504

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## **Final Comment**

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: KZN Department of Transport

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport (the applicant) proposes to upgrade Ntabenzima mud track to a Type 7A Gravel road. The upgrade will be approximately 5.5 km in length, 6 m in width with a road reserve of 20m which conforms to the DOT standards for local road upgrades. The applicant (KZN DOT) proposes to construct pipe culvert structures & a portal causeway structure within the points at which the drainage lines intercepts the proposed route to allow for the natural flow of water.

Thank you for informing Amafa about this development which is basically a road upgrade of an existing road. The upgrade that involves black-topping of the existing road is not considered a threat to heritage resources. This does not rule out the possibility of encountering chance finds in the vicinity of this development footprint. Should any heritage resources such as broken pottery, rock art sites, building foundations ,graves etc be noted in and around the development footprint, Amafa should be consulted to give guidance.

Amafa has no objection to the development.

You are also required to adhere to the below-mentioned standard conditions:

## Conditions:

- 1. Amafa should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earthmoving activities and all development should cease until further notice.
- 2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from Amafa.
- 3. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.
- 4. Sources of all natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage legislation.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu Natal Heritage Resources Act could lead to legal action being instituted against the applicant.

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:

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/384470

(DoT kzn, Ref: Ntabenzima Road)

### 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.

