Proposed Upgrade Of Local Road L1524 In Peace Town Within Emnambithi Local Municipality

Our Ref: SAH15/7336

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Interim 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: Afzelia Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd 76 Valley View Road, Morningside, Durban 4001

The proposed Road L1524 upgrade involves the widening and surfacing of an existing gravel road to blacktop. The total portion of the road intended for upgrading is 6,5 km in length and 7 metre wide. The proposed first phase will be between Km 0,0 to Km 3,0. It would appear that the first phase will not trigger any listed activities in terms of National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2010. The second phase that needs to be assessed, will be approximately 3,5 Km in length from Km 3,0 to Km 6,5. The existing L1524 road will be widened from 7 metres to 8 metres. Refer to Appendix B for the Aerial Maps. The Road L1524 transverses two tributaries of the Klip River. There are currently more than two watercourse crossing with causeways, storm water pipes. The proposed upgrade encompasses: • Importing and processing of base-course materials overlay; • Upgrading and construction of drainage structures and culverts where necessary; • Installing Sidewalks and side drains; • And the laying of the asphalt on the total length of the road.

We acknowledge receipt of the notification for intention to upgrade the local road in Peace Town. It is noted that the upgrade involves widening of the road from 7m to 8m. This will mean that new territory will be disturbed by roadwidening. The territory in which the development is proposed is generally sensitive as it is underlain by sediments of a very high paleontological sensitivity and therefore triggers the need for a field based assessment and a protocol for finds. In addition, the general area is associated with the Stone Age, Iron Age and Historical period activities and is therefore likely to yield heritage resources. It is therefore incumbent that the developer engages the services of a heritage practitioner to conduct a Full Heritage Impact Assessment to ensure that possible heritage resources are not inadvertently impacted. This assessment must not only assess impacts in terms of the development footprint, but must also assess broader, indirect impacts to heritage that may result from the proposed development

The assessment must satisfy SAHRA's minimum requirements for impact assessments and must comply with the requirements in Section 38(3) of the NHRA and as such, this assessment must provide recommendations regarding the mitigation of any identified direct and indirect impacts to heritage resources.

Amafa looks forward to receiving this assessment before commenting further on this proposed development.

You are therefore required to visit the Amafa website www.heritagekzn.co.za and the website of the Paleontological Society of S. Africa, http://www.palaeontologicalsociety.co.za) for a list of specialists to conduct the full Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment and the Paleontological field assessment.

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



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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.

