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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: Louis Dlamini  
Afzelia Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd

**The proposed development entails the upgrading of Road P 254/1 from gravel to type 4 black top. The new road will be 8.5m wide over a length of approximately 28km. The development will start in Vulamehlo Local Municipality and end in Umzumbe Local Municipality at a “T” junction with P75. The road P254 transverses two major rivers, namely Ka Magwaza and Fafa. There are more than twenty watercourse crossing including wetlands. Currently there are 3 causeways and several storm water pipe crossing.**

We acknowledge receipt of your invitation for comment with regards to the proposed development. In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological sites over 100 years old and/ or paleontological sites, Traditional Burial places, graves of victims of conflict, informal graves, graves older than 60 years, battlefields, places to which oral history is attached, living heritage sites, structures older than 60 years, cultural and natural landscapes are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. This means that before such sites are disturbed by development it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment is done.

According to the Paleo-sensitivity Map, the development falls in an area of low fossil sensitivity and does not require a paleontological survey. The general area of proposed development is associated with the stone age, iron Age and historical resources and activities.

We however note that the development is due to take place in a disturbed environment and is an upgrade of an existing road and is therefore not likely to impact on heritage resources. The developer's attention is drawn to the possibility of encountering heritage resources around the development area. you are requested to record any such findings and send co-ordinates and images to Amafa. Development including access roads and stock pile areas should be restricted within the existing servitude to avoid inadvertent damage or disturbance to heritage resources. Amafa, the KwaZulu Natal Heritage Authority 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



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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.

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:**

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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.

