Proposed new low-level vehicle river bridge on Local Road L1292

Our Ref: SAH 17/11749

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Final Decision

In terms of Section 38(3) 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 KZN Department of Transport (Applicant) proposes to construct a single lane low-level vehicle river bridge at the crossing point between the Cwembe River and the Local Road L1292, within the Alfred Duma Local Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal. The design specifications for the proposed structure include: a vehicle lane (minimum of 4.15m wide) lined with standard bollards as barriers, and the pedestrian walkway, the total width of the bridge = 5.8m, total length is = 30m, the height (to the underside of the deck from the river bed) approximately = 2.73m, 3 no. piers 0.6m wide, 2 abutments, 4 no. spans of 9m each to give an opening width of 6.68m, deck is raised 3.38m above the river bed and will accommodate a 1:10 year flood event, and the proposed structure will be doweled 1500mm into the rock layer. The proposed project triggers listed activities of the EIA Regulations of 2014, specifically Activity 12 & 19, and forms the focus of this application.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Heritage Impact Assessment by Frans Prins on the above project.

According to the report, the survey yielded no heritage sites on or near the development footprint.

Amafa therefore has no objection to the development provided the developer adheres 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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Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/408527

(DoT kzn, Ref:)

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.

