



Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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Establishment of the Red Cap Wind Energy Facility in three clusters, Kouga Municipality, Eastern Cape

K. van Ryneveld, December 2010. Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment - Establishment of a Commercial Wind Farm, Kouga Local Municipality, Eastern Cape, South Africa: Appendix I Cultural Site Management Plan

A CMP for Site 2.3 on Farm Welgelegen 735/3 was completed by Ms van Ryneveld during the Phase 1 of the Heritage Impact Assessment for the establishment of the Central Cluster of the Red Cap wind energy facility. SAHRA commented on the Heritage Impact Assessment at various stages in 2011 and 2012, but has not provided a formal approval of the above mentioned CMP yet. Since the document was received before the functions related to the management of archaeology, palaeontology and meteorites were devolved to the Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Agency, SAHRA will comment on the CMP.

According to the author *Site 2.3 is characterized by highly significant Earlier and Middle Stone Age deposits scattered across exposed dunes. Recorded surface site extent covers approximately 1x0.3km.* The original extent of the site may have been wider, but pastures have previously encroached on sections of the original site. Considering the high significance of the site, *in situ* conservation of the site as stipulated in the Conservation Management Plan is the preferred option.

SAHRA hereby approves the CMP with the conditions stipulated in it. SAHRA would like to draw attention to the following points:

- the legal custodian of the site is the landowner, Mr.J.D.W. Strydom;
- the responsible heritage resources authority is the Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (Tel 042 642 2811, email: smokhanya@ecphra.org.za);
- no impact may occur on the site without prior approval from the ECPHRA;
- a 200m buffer zone must be respected around the site at all times. The 200m will be calculated from the edge of the site as indicated by the archaeologist;





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- no activities may occur within the buffer zone without prior approval from the ECPHRA. Agricultural activities encroaching on the site should not be allowed;
 - natural impact on the site, including water or wind damage, is to be reported as soon as possible to the ECPHRA;
 - annual site visit by an archaeologist including photographing monitoring should be undertaken. A report from the site visit must be submitted to the ECPHRA for record.

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/26800>
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