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Final Comment

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

Attention: Mr Nkosinathi Godfrey Tomose

NGT Infraco (Pty) Ltd

N/A

PROPOSED INTERPRETATION CENTRE, PARKING AND STAFF QUARTERS FOR KLOOFENDAL NATURE RESERVE IN ROODEPOORT, WITHIN THE CITY OF JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG PROVINCE, South Africa

Tomose, N. February 2020. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Interpretation Centre, Parking and Staff Quarters for Kloofendal Nature Reserve, Roodepoort, City Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province, South Africa

The proposed development entails construction of an interpretation centre, parking lots and staff quarters at Kloofendal Nature Reserve in Constatiakloof.

The survey yielded the following cultural heritage resources:

A historic stone enclosure on the south hilltop with material culture found in and around it.

The historic Kloofendal monuments by the Confidence Reef Mineshaft.

The Struben Stamp Mill and engine.

The monument is dated 1983, the Stamp Mill and the engine date to the 1880s and the historic stone enclosure on the southern hilltop is relatively dated to the 1930s based on the associated material culture.

The author notes that the proposed development will not adversely impact these heritage resources, due to the fact it is planned in an area that is devoid of essential heritage resources: between the primary gate and the gate leading to the reserve and the associated infrastructure.

The SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has Low fossil sensitivity.

Final Comment

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objections to this proposed development,

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provided that the recommendations in the specialist reports and this comment are adhered to, and in addition. on the following conditions:

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The Intergrated Cultural Management Plan (ICMP) must be developed for the long term conservation of the heritage sites in the nature reserve, and the ICMP report must be submitted to the case.

No palaeontological assessment is required, however a protocol for finds is required.

If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations) or palaeontological remains are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, based on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves, mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow.

Should the project be granted Environmental Authorisation, SAHRA must be notified and all relevant documents submitted to the case on SAHRIS.

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: https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/576996 (GDARD, 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 SAHRA immediately.
- 3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.