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

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PHASE 1 HIA REPORT FOR A PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL AND MIXED USE TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON VARIOUS PORTIONS OF THE FARMS BOSCHOEK 385IR & BOSCHFONTEIN 386IR NEAR HEIDELBERG IN THE LESEDI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY OF GAUTENG - APAC019/45

Pelser, A. May 2019. Phase 1 HIA Report For A Proposed Residential And Mixed Use Township Development And Related Infrastructure On Various Portions Of The Farms Boschoek 385IR & Boschfontein 386IR Near Heidelberg In The Lesedi Local Municipality Of Gauteng

The proposed development entails a township and associated infrastructure.

The assessment recorded three grave sites. The author notes that the Community Liaison Office for the Development, indicated that these graves will not be directly impacted by the current development actions but that recommendations on their management/protection is required.

The author recommends that best practice would be to steer clear of the grave site and fence it in to ensure its protection. The site should then be managed through a Heritage Management Plan. Although the graves sites might not be directly impacted on by the proposed township development, there could be some indirect impacts on it as a result of it. It is therefore recommended that the sites be properly cleaned, the graves on them recorded in detail and a Graves Register be drafted and the sites fenced-in properly.

No other archaeological heritage resources were recorded.

The SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has Very High fossil sensitivity. No palaeontological assessment is attached to this case.



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In terms of palaeontological heritage, the SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has Very High fossil sensitivity, therefore a palaeontological field assessment and protocol for finds is required. Once this study has been submitted, SAHRA will be able to provide further comments.

In terms of archaeology, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit supports the recommendations of the author, and has no objections to this proposed development, provided that the recommendations in the specialist reports and this comment are adhered to, and on the following conditions:

- 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) are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

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/523899>

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.