Rand West City Local Municipality Bulk Water and Sewer Pipeline Project

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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Rand West City Local Municipality

The proposed project is the construction of the new bulk water and sewer lines between Randfontein and Westonaria. The project includes various reservoirs, pump stations and water towers along the proposed routes. The project falls with Rand West City Local Municipality, Gauteng Province. Refer to Figures 1 - 3.

Marais, L. September 2020. Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) For The Proposed Mohlakeng And Randfontein Bulk Water Pipelines And R 28, Toekomsrus, Dan Tloome And Finsbury Outfall Sewer Pipelines, Rand West City Local Municipality, Gauteng Province

The proposed development entails a bulk water pipeline, will include the upgrade of existing water pipelines as well as the construction of new lines in order to transport water to the newly developed areas of Randfontein. The bulk water pipeline will also include the construction of additional water towers, reservoirs and associated pump stations.

The archaeological assessment revealed that no heritage sites are present on the area earmarked for development. The author notes that a formal cemetery is situated in the development area as well as structures older than 60 years, but will not be affected negatively by the development activities.

The SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has a combination of Low, Moderate, High and Very High fossil sensitivity. No palaeontological assessment is attached to this case.

Interim Comment

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

In terms of archaeology, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit supports the findings

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and recommendations of the specialist report relating to the grave that was recorded, and requires that an archaeological chance finds procedure is included in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), and that a qualified archaeologist should be contacted whenever uncertainty regarding potential heritage remains are encountered.

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/542224

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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.

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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.