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Final Comment

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

Attention: Ntseketsi Lerotholi
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Basic Assessment for the construction of a new 13.7km 33kv powerline in the Luiperdshoek area, Northern Cape

Kaplan, J. February 2013. *Archaeological Impact Assessment for the Proposed Eskom Pofadder-Luiperdshoek 11kv Powerline Project*

Eskom has proposed the establishment of a new 11kV power line to supply farmers in the Luiperdshoek area near Pofadder in the Northern Cape. The line will be 13.7km long and run alongside a gravel road between the R385 and the Farm Luiperdshoek. No alternatives were considered.

The archaeologist conducted a desktop study and a walk down of the proposed route. The desktop study revealed that little work has been done in the area and that archaeological remains are scarce where recorded, and comprise mainly Later and Middle Stone Age artefacts. The survey yielded three isolated stone flakes, two Later Stone Age pieces on quartz and one Middle Stone Age artefact on banded ironstone; no graves or grave cairns were noted. The artefacts were considered to be of low significance.

Please note that this report lacked GPS trackpaths, which are a SAHRA minimum requirement for report writing; please make sure that these are included in future or reports will not be considered.

Case Decision:

As the archaeological material in this area is apparently of low significance, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the development (in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources) on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources is found during development, construction or mining, SAHRA and an archaeologist and/or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be alerted immediately.

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/127284>
(DEA, Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/782)

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.



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