Lekkersing Waste

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Final Comment

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

Attention: Mr Gert Pretorius

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THE PROPOSED LEKKERSING WASTE FACILITY NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Bvi Consulting Engineers has proposed the development of a waste facility at Lekkersing in the Northern Cape. The wast facility will be located on Portion 5 of Farm Richtersveld 11. The development will entail the excavation of 4-5m long trenches, dug 2-3m deep and the construction of a 950m access road, and will be fenced for security purposes. The area has no significant landscape features and the surrounding area is used for grazing.

The original AIA conducted by the archaeologist surveyed only the preferred location alternative. The AIA was reviewed by SAHRA and consent was given for the development, but it was requested that the alternative site be surveyed.

This survey was conducted and the archaeologist found no heritage resources on the site and noted that it is severely degraded and disturbed. The archaeologist therefore submitted a letter requesting exemption from further archaeological studies.

Case Decision:

SAHRA supports the request for exemption and as there is apparently no evidence of any significant archaeological material in this area, 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 are 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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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.

