



## Letter

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

Attention: Mr Hendrik Jacobus Oosthuizen

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### **CONSULTATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT 2002, (ACT 28 OF 2002) IN RESPECT OF A MINING PERMIT FOR DIAMONDS ON A PORTION OF THE FARM LONGLANDS NO:350 SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF BARKLY WEST, NORTHERN CAPE REGION**

We have received notification of your application for an environmental management plan in respect of mining permit for diamonds on Longlands 350, near Barkly West.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. This means that before such sites are disturbed by development it is incumbent on the developer (or mine) to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment** is done. This must include the archaeological component (Phase 1) and any other applicable heritage components. Appropriate (Phase 2) mitigation, which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed, must be done as required.

#### **Decision:**

Given the highly disturbed nature of the property, SAHRA deems it unlikely that any significant heritage resources are likely to be uncovered or disturbed by the proposed mining operations.

Consequently, SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed development on the condition that if any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during mining activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Katie Smuts/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and an accredited professional archaeologist must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological 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





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above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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**ADMIN:**  
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