### Griekwastad 2 on ERF 261 EMP 5017

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# **Final Comment**

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

Attention: Siyancuma Local Municipality

PO Box 27 DOUGLAS 8730

CONSULTATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2002; (ACT 28 OF 2002) FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR A MINING PERMIT IN RESPECT OF BORROW PIT 2 GRIEKWASTAD ON ERF 261, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF GRIEKWASTAD, NORTHERN CAPE REGION.

Dreyer, C. November 2012. First Phase Archaeological and Heritage Assessment of the Borrow Pit Development, Griekwastad, Northern Cape

The Siyancuma Local Municipality has proposed the extension of an existing borrow pit on Erf 261, Griekwastad. The receiving environment is already extensively disturbed by previous digging activity.

The archaeologist compiled an Archaeological and Heritage Assessment for this application, but as the report does not meet the SAHRA minimum standards for these types of reports, this rather should be considered a letter of exemption.

The field survey identified several stone artefacts on agate, chert and banded iron stone that likely date from the Later Stone Age.

### **Case Decision:**

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 proposed activities (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/120836

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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.

