

UPGRADE OF EXISTING TRACK (2.89 KM IN LENGTH) AND GRAVEL ROAD L1970 (1.67KM IN LENGTH) ON RESERVE NO. 18 FARM NUMBER 15838 IN DIANEKULSAWITZINDI ROAD 8, NQUTHU LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, UMZINYATHI DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, KWAZULU-NATAL



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Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

Attention: Mr Bongsi Paul Gumbi
Nquthu Local Municipality
Lot 83 Mdlalose Street, Nquthu, 3135

Afzelia Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd was appointed by Anderson Vogt Consulting Engineers on behalf of the (Client) Nquthu Local Municipality to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in the form a Basic Assessment (BA) and Water Use Authorisation application. The proposed project involves the upgrading of the existing track (north-west of the Sibiyela River) from the T-junction with road D1301 and the existing gravel Road L1970 at the South-east side of the Sibiyela River to a formalised gravel road. The upgrading of the existing track, that is situated north-west of the Sibiyela River will start from the T-junction with road D1301 at approximately GPS Coordinates: 28°13'31.46"S 30°46'11.53"E; and end at 28°13'29.2"S 30°47'45.0"E approximately 260m from the Sibiyela river-crossing. The road length is 2.89 km and the total width is 8.4m (width of compacted gravel surfacing: 5 m) with a road reserve of 12m and will be resurfaced to a Class 4 gravel road according to KZN Department of Transport gravel road standards. The upgrading of the existing gravel Road L1970 commences from the Mfihlelwane Primary School at approximately GPS Coordinates: 28°14'16.19"S 30°48'20.66"E; and ends at 28°13'49.8"S 30°48'46.3"E. The road length is 1.67 km and the total width is 8.4m (width of compacted gravel surfacing: 5 m) with a road reserve of 12m and will be resurfaced to a Class 4 gravel road according to the KZN Department of Transport gravel road standards. It is proposed to place a concrete slab (25x6x0.15) and several stormwater pipe infrastructures on both sections of the road of 600 mm and 900mm diameter in size and will occur at different positions as a stormwater control measure. In addition, mitre drains are used at different intervals for stormwater runoff control.

We have received the Addendum report compiled by Gavin Anderson in which he is endorsing the findings of the Public Consultation Process conducted by Afzelia that concluded that the cairns are not burial ground as previously raised by the heritage practitioner. However, care should be taken around this area during construction in case these are graves beyond the memory of the community. For this reason a heritage practitioner should be on site to monitor earth-moving activities around the burial ground including the cairns as well as any other heritage sensitive areas. A report on final findings should be submitted to Amafa thereafter.

Development may therefore proceed as planned within the confines of the prescribed recommendations as described in both the heritage reports.

You are also required to adhere to the below-mentioned standard conditions:

Conditions:



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1. Amafa should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earthmoving activities and all development should cease until further notice.
2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from Amafa.
3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed or removed from site unless under direction of Amafa and a heritage specialist.
4. Should any remains be found on site that is potentially human remains, the South African Police Service (SAPS) should also be contacted. No SAPS official may disturb or exhume such remains, whether of recent origin or not, without the necessary permission from Amafa.
5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.
6. Sources of all natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage legislation.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Bernadet Pawandiwa
Senior Heritage Officer
Amafa/Heritage KwaZulu Natal

James van Vuuren
Deputy Director: Support Services, Technical
Amafa/Heritage KwaZulu Natal

ADMIN:

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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



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proposed work.

2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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