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FINAL COMMENT

IN TERMS OF SECTION 38(8) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999) AND SECTION 41 OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05 OF 2018)

Attention: ZAI Consultants (Pty) Ltd PO Box 187, Empangeni 3880

PROPOSED ULUNDI BULK WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, ZULULAND DISTRICTMUNICIPALITY (Upgrade of Bulk Water Supply Pipeline, Ulundi, KZN).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the development proposal and the Heritage Impact Assessment based on a field-survey survey by Gavin Anderson and the Palaeontological desktop study by Allan Smith. The palaeontological study indicates that the proposed development site is not fossiliferous so it is unnecessary to proceed further with a field-survey. Gavin Anderson on the other hand identified Middle Stone Age and Late Stone Age material in secondary context, trees normally associated with graves/settlements, walling as well as two cemeteries which had also been noted previously by the company. While having provided management plans for both options, the heritage practitioner considers Option 2 as the most plausible option that will help curb the possibility of compromising the identified heritage resources. We concur with the recommendations of the practitioner and therefore require a watching regime/ monitoring of the project implementation process by a heritage practitioner.

The KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute, (Formerly Amafa aKwaZulu Natal, Heritage KwaZulu Natal, Erfernis KwaZulu Natal), therefore has no objection to the proposed development within limits of the stipulated conditions and mitigation measures.

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

- 1. The KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earth-moving 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 the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute.
- 3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed or removed from site unless under direction of the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute 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, without the necessary permission from the KwaZulu Natal and Amafa Research Institute.
- 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.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act could lead to legal action being instituted against the applicant. 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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Bernadet Pawandiwa Senior Heritage Officer KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute

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 the Institute immediately.
- 3. The Institute reserves the right to request additional information as required.