## Proposed Widening of Medway Road and Associated Interchanges within Richards Bay

Our Ref: SAH 13/CaseID: 3265

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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: ACER (Africa) Environmental Management Consultants

Application for Exemption from a Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment of the Proposed Widening of Medway Road and Associated Interchanges within Richards Bay, Umhhlatuze Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal

We acknowledge receipt of your invitation for comment with regards to the motivation for exemption from a full Heritage Impact Assessment of the proposed area of development. The object of Amafa is to administer, conserve and protect heritage resources of the Province within the terms of KZN Heritage Act no. 4 (2008) and the National Heritage Resources Act No 25 of 1999. While the CRM Practitioners proposes exemption , the developer should note that some stone age tools and iron age pottery have been noted in the vicinity of the John Ross Highway and therefore the possibility of chance finds cannot be ruled out entirely. The construction team should therefore be sensitised about the possibility and nature of heritage resources before bush clearance and construction commences.

In terms of the KwaZulu Natal Heritage Act No. 4 of 2008 and the National Heritage Resources Act No.25 of 1999 (Section 38 (1), in view of the findings outlined in the HIA Exemption Motivation by Elizabeth Wahl and Len Schalkwyk of eThembeni that we received, we have no objection to the proposed development.

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

### **Conditions**:

- 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. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.
- 4. Amafa should be contacted if any graves are identified during construction and the following procedure is to be followed:
- stop construction
- report finding to local police station
- report to Amafa to investigate.

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



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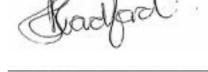
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### Yours faithfully



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#### ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/127661

#### 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 Amafa immediately.
- 3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.

