Request for Exemption from Conducting an Archaeological Impact Assessment

Our Ref: 9/2/228/0001

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Final Comment

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

Attention: Mr Munyadziwa Magoma Vhubvo Archaeo-Heritage Consultants P.O. Box 696 Sibasa 0970 Makwarela

Exceptional Request of a Phase I Archaeological Impact Assessment for the proposed Mixed Housing Development on Erf 808 Germiston South in the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality of Gauteng Province.

Magoma, M. August 2014. Exceptional Request of a Phase I Archaeological Impact Assessment for the proposed Mixed Housing Development on Erf 808 Germiston South in the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality of Gauteng Province.

The proposed development entails a mixed housing development, located on Erf 808, Germiston. The total extent of the development area is estimated to be about 7ha. The author states that, with an exception of the area used for activities related to the fire station and the church, the site is predominantly abandoned and used for dumping refuse materials and also for informal trading. Sectional space on the western tip is used as a park. The author recommends that the project should be exempt from further heritage studies, as the project area is already significantly disturbed, with no risks to heritage resources.

Final comment

The SA Fossil Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area is of low fossil sensitivity and as such no further palaeontological studies are required, but a protocol for finds is required. Based on the information provided, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit grants exemption from further heritage studies to the proposed development. If any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources is found during development, 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/170622

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.

