



Interim Comment

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

Attention: Ekurheleni Metropolitan Municipality

Proposed construction of Motor Vehicle Registering Authority at Katlehong

Van Schalkwyk, J. November 2013. Basic Cultural Heritage Assessment For The Proposed Vehicle Licensing Facility, Katlehong, Ekurhuleni Local Municipality, Gauteng Province

The proposed development entails a vehicle licensing facility on a section of open land in Katlehong, Ekurhuleni local municipality.

The author states that the whole region was subjected to farming and urbanization which would have destroyed any pre-colonial or early colonial heritage features that might have occurred there in the past. The author notes that the only heritage sites known from the region are a number of community cemeteries, all of which are located well outside the area of the proposed development area.

In terms of this archaeological assessment, as there is apparently no evidence of any significant archaeological material in this area, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the development (in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources) on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts are found during development, SAHRA and an archaeologist must be alerted immediately.

In terms of palaeontology, according to the SA National Fossil Sensitivity Map, the study area has an estimated high palaeontological sensitivity and the SAHRA APM Unit requires a palaeontological desktop study of the proposed development area. This desktop study must be submitted to SAHRA for comments and if any further mitigation is recommended, this must be done after a permit has been issued by SAHRA, prior to any development taking place.

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/145028>

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.

