



Final Comment

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

Attention: Ms Lisa Otten
Environmental Resources Management
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Shell propose to construct and operate a new fuel filling station at corner of Protea Boulevard and the R558, Protea Glen Extension 12, Soweto, Gauteng Province (26°27'80.05" S 27°81'34.99" E). Shell intend installing Underground Storage Tanks with a total capacity of 184m³. The site is currently a vacant piece of land.

Almond, A. April 2015. Recommended Exemption From Further Palaeontological Studies: Proposed Shell Glenridge Service Station, Protea Glen Extension 29, Soweto, Gauteng Province

Van der Walt, J. April 2015. Archaeological Impact Assessment For The Proposed Shell Protea Boulevard Service Station, Soweto, Gauteng Province

The proposed development entails a new service station, located on the corner of the R559 and Adelstein Street, Protea Glen Extension 29, Soweto, Gauteng Province. The proposed project site for the service station is an undeveloped piece of land, surrounded by low-density residential areas. The service station will consist of four Under-ground Storage Tanks with a capacity of 46 m³ each, with associated fuel infrastructure and further including a shop, restrooms, parking and access routes.

The palaeontological exemption concludes that the study area is underlain by Precambrian carbonate rocks of the Transvaal Supergroup that are c. 2.5 billion years old. Although important stromatolite (microbial mound) fossils are known from these rocks elsewhere in Gauteng, it is considered unlikely that palaeontologically significant fossils will be directly impacted within the small footprint concerned, and the palaeontological sensitivity of the study area is described as low.

The archaeological assessment states that, considering that the study area has been highly disturbed by various land uses and activities in the past, it is highly unlikely that any significant heritage resources are still present within the study area. This was confirmed during the survey and no surface indicators of archaeological material were identified in the study area.

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Considering that there is apparently no significant palaeontological or archaeological heritage material or features within the study area, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the proposed development, on condition that:

Should any objects of archaeological or palaeontological remains be found during construction activities, work must immediately stop in that area and SAHRA informed. If the newly discovered heritage resource is



Construction of Shell Protea Boulevard Service Station

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considered significant, a Phase 2 assessment, under permit, may be required

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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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.



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