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Dear Sir

TRUCKING FACILITY - ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Enclosed is a copy of a short report submitted to Mr J. Grobler at Namakwa Sands, Lutzville.

Yours sincerely

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PHASE 1 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S TRUCK STOP, NAMAKWA SANDS PROJECT.

The Archaeology Contracts Office of the University of Cape Town was requested by Namakwa Sands Ltd to conduct a Phase 1 assessment of portion of land (to be developed as a trucking facility) to the north of the road linking the primary and secondary concentration plants (see Figure 1). The planned location of the facility has been shifted to this point to avoid damaging sensitive Early Stone Age quarries to the east.

The area in question consists of low vegetated dunes of red aeolian sands. Fragments of calcretes at the bases of a series of electricity poles that had transected the area showed that like many other parts of the mine, a hard surface underlies the aeolian sands. No archaeological material was noted among these debris. The development zone and surrounds were searched on foot for surface indications of archaeological material. No occurrences were noted and it is expected that construction work will not impact on any archaeological sites.

A second phase of excavation is not required before construction of the trucking facility begins.

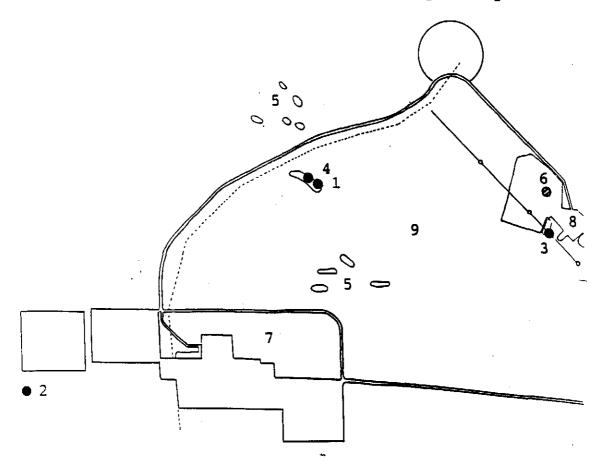
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Truck stop survey area



- 1. Site MS 1
- 2. Site MS 2
- 3. Site MS 3
- 4. Site MS 4
- 5. Silcrete outcrops (ESA scatters)
- 6. Site BSB 13 (destroyed)
- 7. Secondary concentration plant
- 8. Primary concentration plant
- 9. Mining area