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Dear Mr Gouws

HERITAGE SITES: PROPOSED VOSLOORUS CULTURAL VILLAGE

As requested, we have investigated the area where the proposed development is to take place. This is a triangular piece of land on the farm Rietfontein 153IR in the Alberton district of Gauteng and centres around the following coordinates: S 26.36872; E 28.17628. The southern and eastern borders are formed by number of houses; the northern border is defined by a lane of bluegum trees; and the western border by a small stream. Although currently abandoned, the area was used as agricultural fields in the past and has been ploughed over. The remains of a few old buildings are found in the southwestern part of the area. This probably was an old farmstead, but very little remain of these structures.

We have not found any site, feature or structure of cultural significance in the area that would be impacted on by the development. It is therefore recommended that the development can continue, but the developer should be notified that archaeological sites might be exposed during the construction work. If anything is noticed, it should immediately be reported to a museum, preferably one at which an archaeologist is available, so that an investigation and evaluation of the finds can be made.

Yours sincerely

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