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CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF PORTION 134 LOSKOP SUID 53 JS AND PORTION 14 OF THE FARM WELGEVONDEN 45 JS GROBLERSDAL MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

1. DEFINITION

The broad generic term *Cultural Heritage Resources* refers to any physical and spiritual property associated with past and present human use or occupation of the environment, cultural activities and history. The term includes sites, structures, places, natural features and material of palaeontological, archaeological, historical, aesthetic, scientific, architectural, religious, symbolic or traditional importance to specific individuals or groups, traditional systems of cultural practice, belief or social interaction.

2. PROTECTED SITES IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT, ACT NO. 25 OF 1999

The following are the most important sites and objects protected by the National Heritage Act:

- 2.1 Structures or parts of structures older than 60 years.
- 2.2 Archaeological sites and objects.
- 2.3 Palaeontological sites.
- 2.4 Meteorites.
- 2.5 Ship wrecks.
- 2.6 Burial grounds.

- 2.7 Graves of victims of conflict.
- 2.8 Public monuments and memorials.
- 2.9 Structures, places and objects protected through the publication of notices in the Gazette and Provincial Gazette.
- 2.10 Any other places or object, which are considered to be of interest or of historical or cultural significance.
- 2.11 Geological sites of scientific or cultural importance.
- 2.12 Sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa.
- 2.13 Objects to which oral traditions are attached.
- 2.14 Sites of cultural significance or other value to a community or pattern of South African history.

3, METHODOLOGY

The site was visited, inspected on foot and by vehicle. All appropriate documents on the area were studied.

4. RESULTS (see attached map)

The proposed development area consists of a flat area with dense bushveld vegetation. In the northwestern corner is a golf course and on the eastern side is a airport for small aircrafts as well as facilities for the annual agricultural show.

The following heritage sites were found:

4.1 Stone Age Material

A storm water canal runs from west to south through the site. This canal has eroded and exposed a few Middle Stone Age artefacts. These artefacts are not in an archaeological context and of no scientific value (see photograph 1).

4.2 Golf Course

The golf course is still in use and will not be affected by the development (see photograph 2).

4.3 Airport

The airport consists of a landing strip, and administrative office and hangers for small aircrafts. All the structures are younger than sixty years (see photograph 3).

4.4 Show Grounds

All the structures are younger than sixty years (see photograph 4).

4.5 Oral History

No person with oral history knowledge on the undeveloped area of the proposed development area could be found. There are also no indications that people lived on this section of the farm.

5. CONCLUSION

No important cultural heritage resources could be found on the proposed development area. The few Stone Age artefacts are out of context and of no scientific or historic value

6. RECOMMENDATION

There is no objection to the new development from a cultural heritage resources point of view.

PHOTOGRAPHS



No. 1. Stone Age flakes and a core



No. 2. Golf course



No. 3. Airport



No. 4. Site of Agriculture show



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PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DATA

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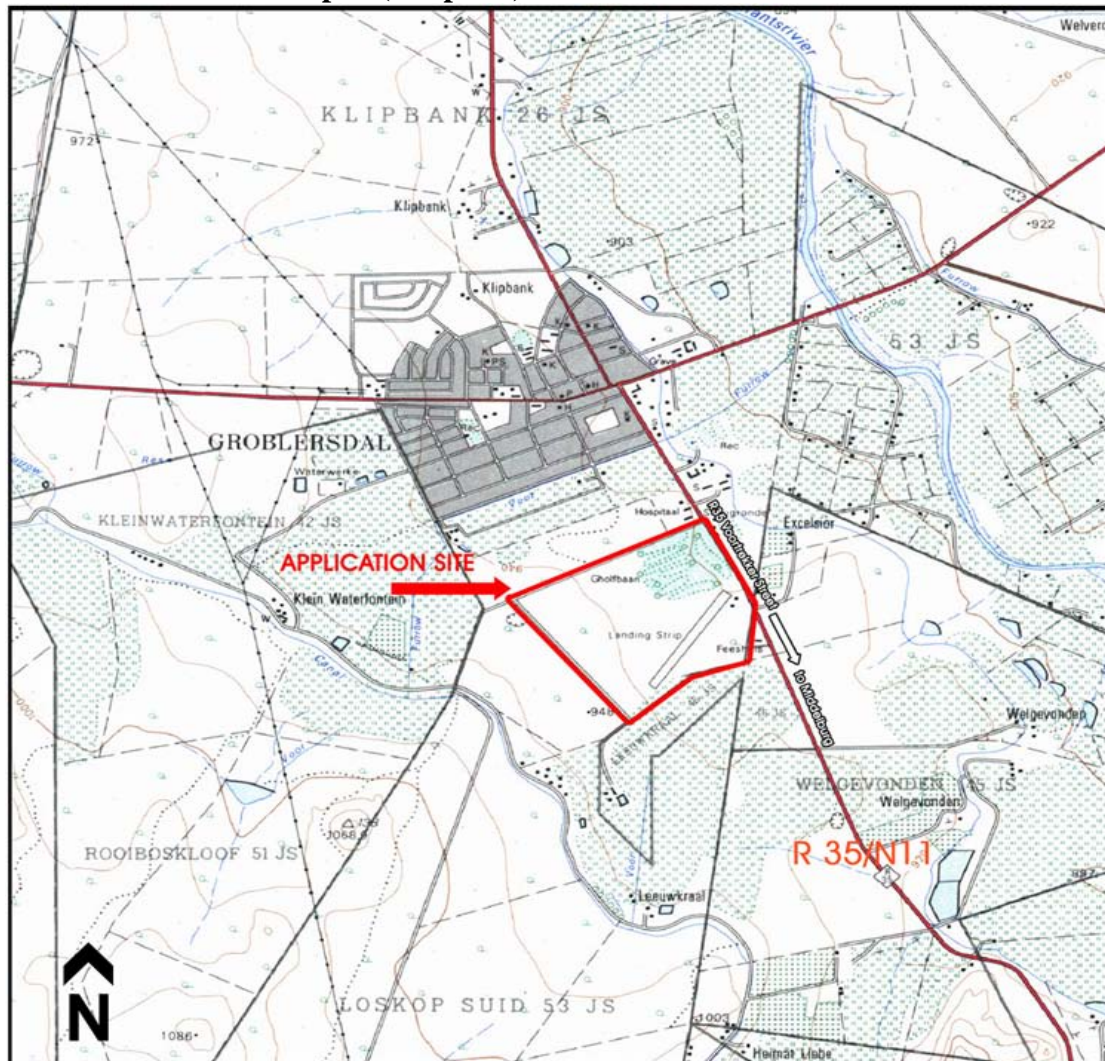
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Type of development (e.g. low cost housing project, mining etc.)
Township establishment

Whether rezoning and/or subdivision of land is involved:
Yes, rezoning

Full location of Province, Magisterial District/Local Authority, property (e.g. farm, erf name and number):
Greater Sekhukhune District Municipality
Groblersdal
South of Groblersdal along the extension of Voortrekker street (R35/N11) to Middleburg.

Location map must have the polygon of the area to be surveyed on it and full geographical coordinates for all relevant points and where applicable indication of the area to be developed (footprint):



**Proposed Development Portion 134 Loskop Suid 53 JS
Mpumalanga Province**

If possible an aerial photograph of the specific area showing the location of all site.