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# ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED REHABILITATION OF THE ROAD (P34/3) BETWEEN DELAREYVILLE & SANNIESHOF, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

#### INVESTIGATION

The site for the proposed borrow pit to be used for the rehabilitation of the P34/3 (N14) road between Delareyville and Sannieshof, North West Province, was inspected on 15 June 2005 in the company of Dr Johan du Preez of Cebo Environmental Consultants, Bloemfontein.

#### LOCALITY

The borrow pit will be placed on the farm Zandvlei 301IQ near Baberspan (2625DA). The farm is situated on the gravel road from Baberspan to Deelpan (Map 1).

The specific area is presently utilised as plough lands with cultivated grazing (26°34'30"S. 025°37'39"E. Altitude 1357m) (Cape scale) (Figs.1&2).

# **FINDS**

No archaeological finds or material of historical significance was recovered.

# **DISCUSSION**

No obvious reasons could be found to delay the commencement of further planning and development of the site.

## **MITIGATION & RECOMMENDATION**

Concerning the area for the proposed developments, no mitigation measures will be needed.

No obvious reason could be found to delay the commencement of the work and it is recommended that the proposed development may proceed.

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Map 1. Locality of Delareyville and Sannieshof in the North West Province.

# **LIST OF ILLUSTRATIONS:**



Fig.2 General view of the area of the proposed borrow pit on the farm Zandvlei 301IQ near Baberspan.



Fig.2 The land is covered with cultivated grasing.