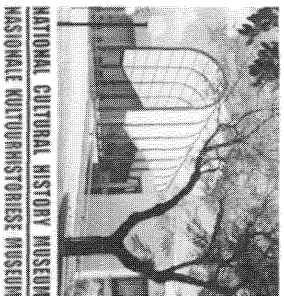


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Dear Mr Krizinger

HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT: SPITSKOP 65KT

As requested, we have investigated the site for the proposed development on portion 16 of the farm Spitskop 65KT in the Lydenburg municipal district of Mpumalanga. The site is located approximately 12 km southwest of the town of Lydenburg, on the R540, in the direction of Dullstroom (Fig. 1). It centres around the following coordinates: S 25.18533; E 30.36124.

The scope of work consisted of conducting a Phase 1 archaeological survey of the site in accordance with the requirements of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999). This included:

- Conducting a desk-top investigation of the area;
- A visit to the proposed development site.

The objectives were to

- Identify possible archaeological, cultural and historic sites within the proposed development areas;
- Evaluate the potential impacts of construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed development on archaeological, cultural and historical resources;
- Recommend mitigation measures to ameliorate any negative impacts on areas of archaeological, cultural or historical importance.

The geology is made up of sand and the original vegetation is classified as North Eastern Mountain Grassland. The area surveyed is approximately 106,2100 hectares. Some of the area was used for agricultural purposes, and the rest is overgrown with dense stands of wattle trees. In fact, some of the areas were so densely overgrown that it was difficult to survey it.

The site was visited on the 8th of November 2006 and a number of transects were walked across it.

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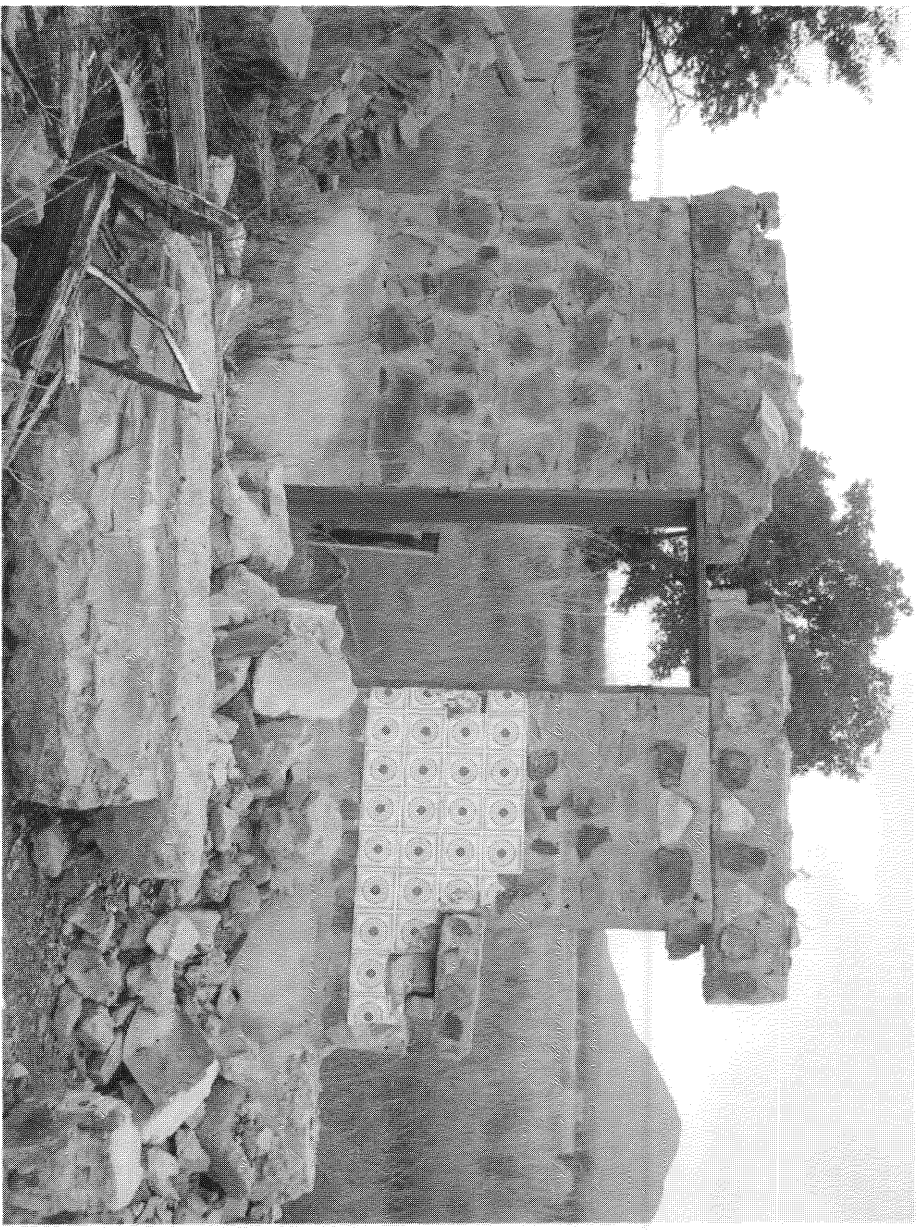


Fig. 2. One of the structures found close to the river area.

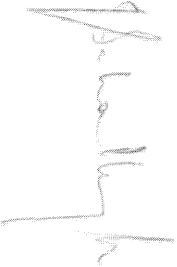


Figure 1. Showing the location of the study area.

The remains of a number of structures were found close to the river that borders the site on the northern side. All of these seem to have been used as housing of some sort. From the building material, e.g. bricks, concrete, doorframes, tiles and such, it is deduced that these structures are not very old (Fig. 2). These structures are therefore viewed as having low significance and no further action is required.

Apart from the above, no obvious features, sites or artefacts of cultural significance that could be impacted on by the proposed development were identified. From a heritage point of view we therefore recommend that the proposed development can continue. However, we request that if archaeological sites or graves are exposed during construction work, 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J van Schalkwyk', written in a cursive style.

J van Schalkwyk
Principal Investigator