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Dear Ms Gregory

## HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT: MONAVONI EXTENSION 31

As requested, we have investigated the site for the proposed township development on part of portion 1 of the farm Stukgrond 382JR and part of portion 3 of the farm Stukgrond 382JR, in the Pretoria municipal district of Gauteng. The site is located northwest of the junction of the R114 and the R55 (Fig. 1). It centres around the following coordinates: S 25.87342; E 28.09186.

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 dolomite and the original vegetation is classified as Rocky Highveld Grassland. No features (e.g. hills, outcrops, streams or rock shelters) that usually drew people to settle in its vicinity, occurs in the study area.

No reference to previous surveys or research in the area was found. The site was visited on the 22 March 2007 and a number of transects were walked across it. In some sections the grass was quite tall, making the location of sites difficult.

No 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

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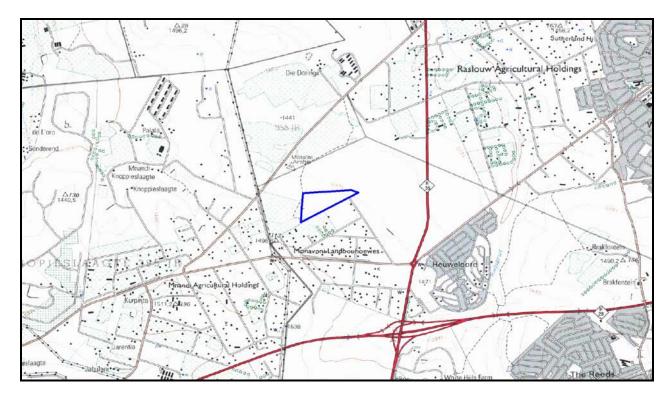


Figure 1. Showing the location of the study area (in blue). (Map, courtesy of the Government Printer).