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# CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PORTION 18 OF THE FARM BUFFELSDOORNS 315 KR NEAR NABOOMSPRUIT LIMPOPO

#### 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:

- a. Structures or parts of structures older than 60 years.
- b. Archaeological sites and objects.
- c. Palaeontological sites.
- d. Meteorites.
- e. Ship wrecks.
- f. Burial grounds.
- g. Graves of victims of conflict.

- h. Public monuments and memorials.
- i. Structures, places and objects protected through the publication of notices in the Gazette and Provincial Gazette.
- j. Any other places or object, which are considered to be of interest or of historical or cultural significance.
- k. Geological sites of scientific or cultural importance.
- 1. Sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa.
- m. Objects to which oral traditions are attached.
- n. Sites of cultural significance or other value to a community or pattern of South African history.

#### **3. METHODOLOGY**

All relevant maps and documents on the site were studied. The site was visited and visually inspected.

#### 4. **RESULTS**

The area is typical Waterberg mixed Bushveld. The northern portion of the farm is mountainous. The existing structures on the farm are modern. At present the farm is only utilized on weekends.

The new owners have only taken over recently. No farm labours with oral history knowledge of the farm could be traced.

On the southern section of the farm just west of the farm settlement is a large eroded area. Some Middle Stone Age material occurs in the area in small numbers. The material has been exposed because of erosion and is out of context and has little scientific value (see photographs 1, 2 and map).

#### 5. CONCLUSION

There are no important visible cultural heritage resources on the farm.

#### 6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

### PHOTOGRAPHS



No 1. Eroded area



No 2. Middle Stone Age material

#### MAP OF BUFFELSDOORNS SITE

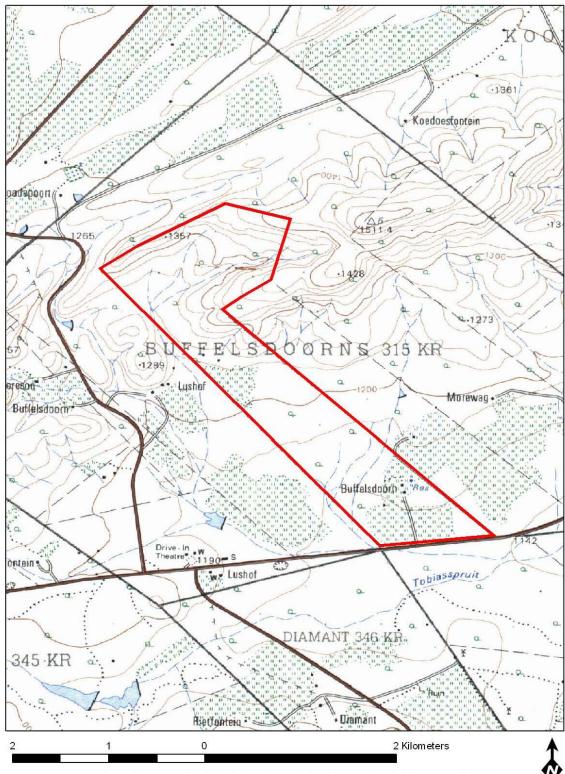


Figure 1: Location Map - 2428BC / Ptn 18 of the Farm Buffeldoorns 315 KR