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**ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT  
OF THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS AT  
CLOCOLAN, FREE STATE**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Residential developments are planned at Clocolan, Free State. The area of development lies adjacent to the existing township of Hlohloloane. There is a cemetery in the area and the surroundings are clearly disturbed by refuse dumping and trenching activities.

No archaeological or any cultural remains were found at the site.

Mitigation measures are not necessary and I recommend that the proposed developments and planning of the site may proceed.

**INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTION**

**INVESTIGATION**

The site for the proposed residential developments at Hlohloloane at Clocolan was visited on 23 February 2007. Mr Piet de Bie from Phethogo Consultants, Bloemfontein, gave directions to the site.

The area was examined for possible archaeological and historical material and to establish the potential impact on any cultural material that might be found. The Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) is done in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), (25 of 1999) and under the Environmental Conservation Act, (73 of 1989).



## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

There are no obvious reasons to delay the commencement of further planning and development of the site and I recommend that the proposed residential developments should proceed.

## **MITIGATION**

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

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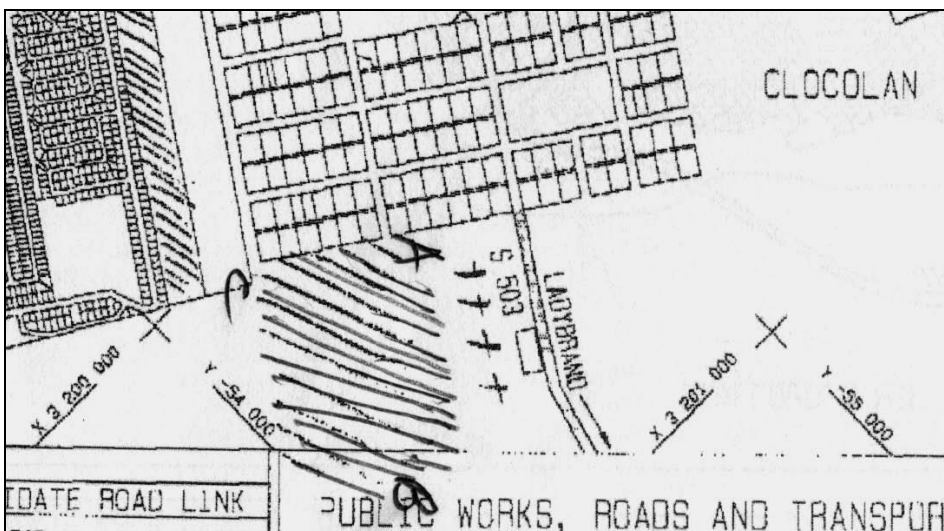
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**LIST OF ILLUSTRATIONS:**



Map 1 Clocolan in relation to Marquard, Ficksburg and the Lesotho border.



Map 2 Placing of the residential developments at Hlohloloane, Clocolan.



Fig.1 Point A at the eastern position adjacent to the cemetery.



Fig.2 View of the proposed area at Point A facing west.



Fig.3 View from point B facing south.



Fig.4 View from point B facing towards the cemetery.



Fig.5 View from point C facing west.



Fig.6 View from point C.



Fig.7 Refuse dumps occur in the area of development.



Fig.8 The rubbish dump in the area of development.





Fig.9 Another trench for refuse disposal in the proposed area of development.