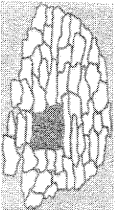


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**FIRST PHASE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL  
INVESTIGATION OF THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL  
DEVELOPMENTS AT THE FARM DELFT 757, LADYBRAND,  
FREE STATE**

**INVESTIGATION**

The site for the proposed housing development at the farm Delft 757, Ladybrand was visited and inspected on 15 February 2005. Dr Johan du Preez of Cebo Environmental Consultants, Bloemfontein, took me to the site. At the farm we were accompanied by the owner, Susan Fairman, who pointed the proposed area of developments out to us.

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).

**LOCALITY**

The proposed residential area is located on the farm Delft 757, Ladybrand. The land lies on the eastern slope of the Platberg mountain range (Surveyor-General 1973).

The following GPS co-ordinates (Cape) were taken:

Eastern slope 29°10'21"S. 027°23'09"E. Altitude 1762m.  
Blue gum trees 29°10'10"S. 027°23'13"E. Altitude 1789m.  
Blue gum trees 29°10'10"S. 027°23'09"E. Altitude 1799m  
Highest point on ridge 29°10'11"S. 027°23'08"E. Altitude 1827m.  
Second phase guest house 29°10'23"S. 027°23'03"E. Altitude 1821m

## **FINDS**

No remains of any early human occupation or cultural material could be found in the area of the proposed developments at Delft 757.

No indication of any archaeological or historical material was found and neither were any stone tools or ceramic ware found.

The locality is likewise removed from the higher ground towards the ridge, which is the obvious living site for people during prehistoric times.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

After examination by the archaeologist, it is recommended that the proposed developments may proceed.

## **MITIGATION**

Concerning the area for the proposed development, no mitigation measures are needed.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

I thank Dr Johan du Preez for taking me to the site.

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Fig.1 View from the highest point down across the area of proposed development.

ANNEXURE I

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST FROM CONSULTANT

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY CONSULTANT

#/WE CEBO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS AS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT TO ME Sim. Fairman (PROPONENT) ON Housing development of the farm Delft 757, Ladybrand. (PROJECT) DO HEREBY DECLARE THE FOLLOWING INTERESTS.

1. THIS CONSULTANCY ~~IS~~ / IS NOT A SUBSIDIARY, LEGALLY OR FINANCIALLY, OF THE PROPONENT.

DETAILS: WE ARE INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

2. REMUNERATION FOR SERVICES BY THE PROPONENT TO THIS PROPOSAL ~~IS PARTLY~~ / IS NOT LINKED TO APPROVAL BY DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITIES RESPONSIBLE FOR PERMITTING THE PROPOSAL

DETAILS: REMUNERATION IS FOR THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY US. INVOICES ARE PAYABLE REGARDLESS THE OUTCOME OF THE EIA-PROCESS

3. MY/OUR CONSULTANCY HAS THE FOLLOWING INTEREST IN SECONDARY DEVELOPMENT AS A RESULT OF THE AUTHORISATION OF THIS PROJECT:

DETAILS: WE DO NOT HAVE ANY INTEREST IN ANY SECONDARY OR DOWNSTREAM DEVELOPMENTS AS A RESULT OF THE AUTHORISATION OF THIS PROJECT

4. WHAT PERCENTAGE WORK HAVE YOU RECEIVED FROM THE PROPONENT IN THE PREVIOUS TWELVE MONTHS?

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I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM FULLY AWARE OF MY RESPONSIBILITIES IN TERMS OF GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO. R. 1182 OF 5 SEPTEMBER 1997 AND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH IT FULLY MAY CONSTITUTE AN OFFENCE IN TERMS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ACT (ACT NO. 73 OF 1989).

SIGNED: 

DATE: 15/06/2005

WITNESS: M. Sublanche

DATE: 15/06/2005