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## **CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT ON HOLDING 23 OF DIXON AGRICULTURAL HOLDING WITBANK MPUMALANGA**

### **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:

- 2.1 Structures or parts of structures older than 60 years.
- 2.2 Archaeological sites and objects.
- 2.3 Palaeontological sites.
- 2.4 Meteorites.
- 2.5 Ship wrecks.
- 2.6 Burial grounds.
- 2.7 Graves of victims of conflict.
- 2.8 Public monuments and memorials.

- 2.9 Structures, places and objects protected through the publication of notices in the Gazette and Provincial Gazette.
- 2.10 Any other places or object, which are considered to be of interest or of historical or cultural significance.
- 2.11 Geological sites of scientific or cultural importance.
- 2.12 Sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa.
- 2.13 Objects to which oral traditions are attached.
- 2.14 Sites of cultural significance or other value to a community or pattern of South African history.

### **3, METHODOLOGY**

The site was visited and inspected on foot. All appropriate documents on the area were studied.

### **4. RESULTS**

The site has been used for many years as an illegal dumping site. On the property is a 1970s house and outbuildings, which falls outside the jurisdiction of Act 25 of 1999 (see photograph and map).

No visible cultural heritage resources could be found on the property. No person could be interview, to record oral history because nobody could be found.

### **5. CONCLUSION**

There are no important cultural heritage resources on the property.

### **6. RECOMMENDATION**

There is no objection to the development of a township on Holding 23 Dixon Witbank from a cultural heritage resources point of view.

### **7. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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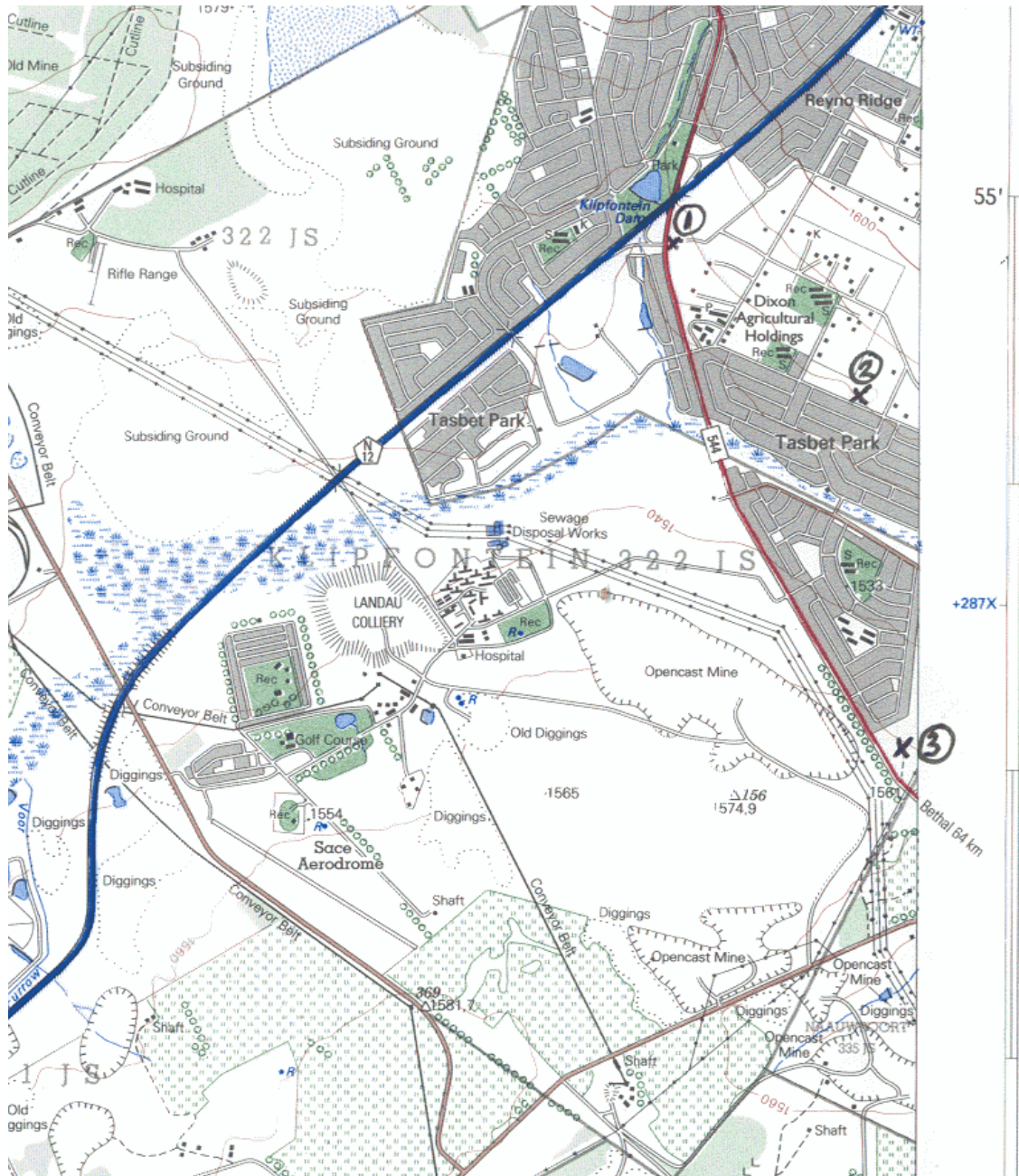
Project title	Township Establishment on Holding 23 of Dixon agricultural holdings
Property location	Holding 23 of Dixon agricultural holdings
Farm/Erf name & number (incl. Portion)	Holding 23 of Dixon agricultural holdings
SG21 Digit code	TOJS00110000003000069
Street address	Waterbok Street
Magisterial District of Town	Witbank

Closest City/Town	Witbank
Zoning of Property	Small holding Agriculture
Is a rezoning application required?	Yes

**PHOTOGRAPH**



**Illegal dumping on the site with the modern house in the background.**



**Map of Klipfontein site 1**