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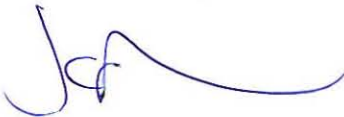
Dear Ludwe

## REPORT FOR APM

Please find the following report to be presented at the next APM meeting.

Phase 1 Archaeological Impact Assessment proposed housing development  
Remainder of Farm 296 & Portion 11 of Farm 287 Grabauw Western Cape

Yours sincerely



Jonathan Kaplan



**PHASE 1 ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT  
PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT  
REMAINDER OF FARM 296 & PORTION 11 OF FARM 287  
GRABAUW  
WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE**

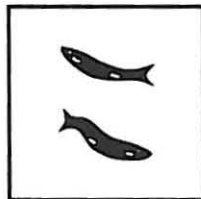
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**Figure 3. View of the site facing south**



**Figure 6. View of the site facing south west**



**Figure 4. View of the site facing south east**



**Figure 7. View of the site facing north west**



**Figure 5. View of the site facing south east**



**Figure 8. view of the site facing south west**

## **4. APPROACH TO THE STUDY**

### **4.1 Method of survey**

The approach followed in the archaeological heritage study entailed a foot survey of the proposed site.

A desktop study was also undertaken.

The site visit and assessment took place on the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2008.

### **4.2 Constraints and limitations**

The study site is almost entirely covered with mature apple and pear orchards, resulting in very low archaeological visibility. Dense grass also covers portions of the site.

### **4.3 Identification of potential risks**

There are no potential archaeological risks associated with the project. The site is in a highly disturbed and modified state.

### **4.4 Results of the desk top study**

One Early Stone Age (ESA) flake tool was found during a study of a proposed housing development on Erf 563 Grabauw, alongside the N2 (Kaplan 2006). ESA and a few Middle Stone Age (MSA) tools were documented during an assessment of the Ikapa Quarry, in Grabauw (Kaplan 1998). ESA tools were also located at the nearby Rockview Dam about one kilometre south of the N2 (Kaplan 1993). Several Bushman paintings are known to occur near the Steenbras Dam (Royden Yates pers. comm., 2003), some distance from the town.

## **5. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

The following section provides a brief overview of the relevant legislation with regard to the archaeology of the subject property.

### **5.1 The National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999)**

The National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA) requires that "...any development or other activity which will change the character of a site exceeding 5 000m<sup>2</sup>, or the rezoning or change of land use of a site exceeding 10 000 m<sup>2</sup>, requires an archaeological impact assessment"

The relevant sections of the Act are briefly outlined below.

### **5.2 Archaeology (Section 35 (4))**

Section 35 (4) of the NHRA stipulates that no person may, without a permit issued by Heritage Western Cape (HWC), destroy, damage, excavate, alter or remove from its original position, or collect, any archaeological material or object.

## **9. REFERENCES**

Kaplan, J. 2006. Archaeological Impact Assessment proposed development Erf 563 Grabauw. Report prepared Urban Dynamics Western Cape. Agency for Cultural Resource Management.

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