

**THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEYS FOR SHELLY BEACH VILLAS,
OLD MACDONALS FARM AND HORSESHOE FARM**

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Umlando was contracted to undertake three archaeological surveys for Geomeasure Group. These surveys are for developments along the south coast. The three areas were surveyed and no archaeological sites were noted. Individual artefacts were however noted.

Shelley Beach Villas

Shelly Beach Villas is situated adjacent to Bay Hill Estates. We had surveyed Bay Hill Estates in 2003 (under the Institute for Cultural Resource Management). That survey located isolated Middle Stone Age (MSA) stone tools. Most of the Shelley Beach Villas development is on the same hill system as Bay Hill Estates, and accordingly, we noted one MSA artefact.¹

We do not consider an isolated stone tool to constitute a site. However, other MSA tools probably do occur underneath the surface.

Significance: The site is not recorded as a site, and the artefact(s) are of low significance.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required, however the developer should apply for a general destruction permit as more stone tools probably occur below the surface. KZN Heritage should make the decision for the need of a permit.

Old Macdonald Farm

The site is located in Shelley Beach, adjacent to the current Old Macdonald Farm. The affected area is on the two spurs of a hill, and in a horse paddock. The area appears to have been previously disturbed. One upper grinding stone and an MSA flake was observed in this area.

¹ We also noted the development of a shopping mall adjacent to this property. KZN Heritage should ensure that an archaeological survey has been undertaken for this development.

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Horse Shoe Farm

Horseshoe Farm is located ~6km outside of Ezingolweni, between Port Shepstone and Harding. The affected area is situated on the top of a hill and was previously the area of offices and a water reservoir. Thus, the site has been previously disturbed.

No archaeological material was located in the area.

Significance: No significance is recorded

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

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