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## **CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PORTION 129 OF THE FARM ZEEKOEWATER 311 JS 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 is typical Highveld grassland with scattered Wattle and Eucalyptus trees especially on the southern border. The site on the southern border has also been extensively used for illegal dumping over many years. The only remains of a structure pigsty dating most probably to the 1970s or 1980s

No visible important cultural heritage resources could be found on the property. No oral history was recorded as no one is living on the property anymore.

### **5. CONCLUSION**

There are no visible cultural heritage resources present on the property surveyed.

### **6. RECOMMENDATION**

There is no objection to the development of Portion 129 of the farm Zeekoewater from a cultural heritage resources point of view.

### **7. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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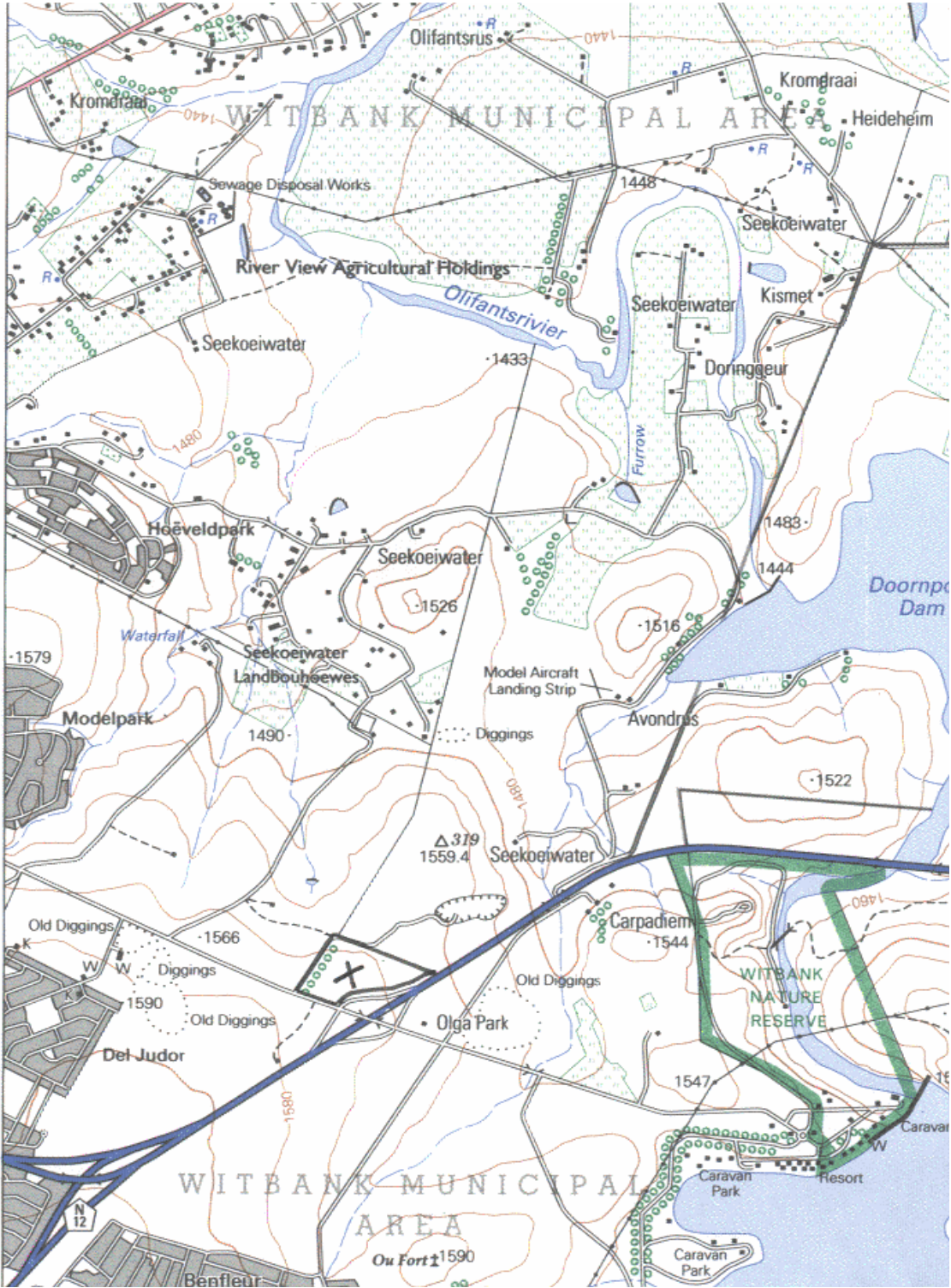
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Project title	Township Establishment on the remaining portion of Portion 129 of the Farm Zeekoewater 311-JS will be known as "Corridor hill"
Property location	Situated on the northern corner of the intersection of President Street and the N4 interchange
Farm/Erf name & number (incl. Portion)	Remaining portion of Portion 129 of the Farm Zeekoewater 311-JS
SG21 Digit code	TOJS00000000031100129

Street address	Situated on the northern corner of the intersection of President Street and the N4 interchange
Magisterial District of Town	Witbank

Closest City/Town	Witbank
Zoning of Property	Agriculture



Map of Site