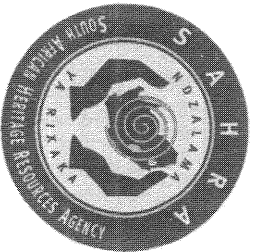


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REVIEW COMMENT ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

BY ARCHAEOLOGY/PALAEONTOLOGY UNIT OF THE HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

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South Africa has a unique and non-renewable archaeological and palaeontological heritage. Archaeological and palaeontological sites are protected in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act No 25 of 1999) and may not be disturbed without a permit. Archaeological Impact Assessments (AIAs) and Palaeontological Impact Assessments (PIAs) identify and assess the significance of the sites, assess the potential impact of developments upon such sites, and make recommendations concerning mitigation and management of these sites. On the basis of satisfactory specialist reports SAHRA or the relevant heritage resources agency can assess whether or not it has objection to a development and indicate the conditions upon which such development might proceed and assess whether or not to issue permission to destroy such sites.

AIAs and PIAs often form part of the heritage component of an Environmental Impact Assessment or Environmental Management Plan. They may also form part of a Heritage Impact Assessment called for in terms of section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25, 1999. They may have other origins. In any event they should comply with basic minimum standards of reporting as indicated in SAHRA Regulations and Guidelines.

This form provides review comment from the Archaeologist of the relevant heritage resources authority for use by Heritage Managers, for example, when informing authorities that have applied to SAHRA for comment and for inclusion in documentation sent to environmental authorities. It may be used in conjunction with Form B, which provides relevant peer review comment.

- A. PROVINCIAL HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY: **LIMPOPO PROVINCE/Mr Tlou Setumu ...**
- B. SAHRA PROVINCIAL MANAGER : **LIMPOPO PROVINCE : Mr Victor Netshiwisa**
- C. AUTHOR(S) OF REPORT: **Mr S Gaigher**
- D. ARCHAEOLOGY CONTRACT GROUP: **Archaeo-Info Northern Province**
- E. CONTACT DETAILS: **P.O Box 147, Bendorpark, Polokwane, 071**
- F. DATE OF REPORT: **October 2007**
- G. TITLE OF REPORT: **EXEMPTION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED VODACOM BASE STATION AND MASTS FROM FULL HIA INVESTIGATION; RIVERCROSS, BURGERSFORT TWIN AND VAN COLLEERSPAS**

H. Please circle as relevant: Archaeological component of EIA / EMP / HIA / CMP Other (Specify)

REPORT COMMISSIONED BY (CONSULTANT OR DEVELOPER): **Ms Lynn van Vuuren, Lokisa Environmental Consulting**

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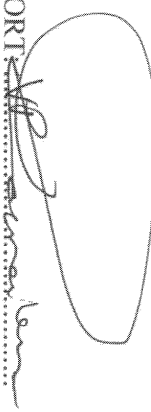
EXEMPTION OF THE FOLLING PROPOSED VODACOM BASE
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Archaeo- Info Northern Province was contracted by Lokisa Environmental cc to investigate the sites. The sites are very small and no heritage resources were noticed within the proposed area.

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorite Unit has no objection to the development (in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources) on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources are found during development, construction or mining, SAHRA or an archaeologist must be alerted immediately.

Where bedrock is to be affected, or where there are coastal sediments, or marine or river terraces and in potentially fossiliferous superficial deposits, the developer must ensure that a professional Palaeontological Desk Top study is undertaken to assess whether or not the development will impact upon palaeontological resources. If this is deemed unnecessary, at least a letter of exemption from a Palaeontologist is needed. If the area is deemed sensitive, a full Phase 1 Palaeontological Impact Assessment will be required and if necessary a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary (see attached list of accredited Palaeontologists).

Decisions on Built Environment (e.g. structures over 60 years) and Cultural Landscapes must be made by the Limpopo SAHRA Provincial office (Victor Netshavha: vnetshavha@lp.sahra.org.za)/ Provincial Heritage Authority (Limpopo, Mr Tlou Setumu, hltra@lantic.net) to whom this Archaeological Review Comment will be copied


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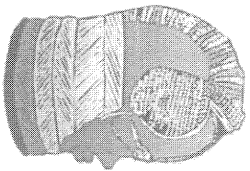
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PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COMMENT (ABOVE OR APPENDED) CONSTITUTES THE COMMENT OF THE HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY ARCHAEOLOGIST AND THAT ANY DEVELOPMENT THAT INVOLVES DISTRUCTION OF ANY ARCHAEOLOGICAL/PALAEONTOLOGICAL SITE IS STILL SUBJECT TO A PERMIT/PERMISSION FOR DISTRUCTION OF SUCH SITE GIVEN TO THE DEVELOPER BY THE RELEVANT HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND PALAEONTOLOGICAL PERMIT COMMITTEE (THIS WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE PHASE 2 OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL/PALAEONTOLOGICAL MITIGATION AS NECESSARY). THIS REPORT MAY BE TAKEN ONLY AS APPROVAL, IN PRINCIPLE, IN TERMS OF SECTION 35 OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT. THE PROVINCIAL MANAGER OF THE HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY MUST ADVISE AS TO APPROVAL IN TERMS OF HERITAGE ISSUES ENCOMPASSED BY OTHER ASPECTS OF THE LEGISLATION, SUCH AS ISSUES OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT STRUCTURES (E.G. FARM HOUSES), OVER 60 YEARS), INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS OR OF CULTURAL LANDSCAPES AS THIS IS NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE ARCHAEOLOGIST.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SAHRA IS NOW RESPONSIBLE FOR GRADE I HERITAGE RESOURCES (AND EXPORT) AND THE PROVINCIAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR GRADE II AND GRADE III HERITAGE RESOURCES, EXCEPT WHERE THERE IS AN AGENCY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROVINCIAL HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY.

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Dear Mrs. Leslie

**EXEMPTION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED VODACOM BASE STATIONS AND
MASTS FROM FULL HIA INVESTIGATION; RIVERSCROSS, BURGERSFORT TOWN
AND VAN COLLERSPAS**

After investigation of the above mentioned sites the following recommendations are given regarding the applicability of a full HIA study;

RIVERSCROSS; The site lies within a developed area with no indications of historically important sites. Successive construction projects on the site would have obliterated any significant heritage sites. It is recommended that the site be exempt from full HIA investigation.

BURGERSFORT TOWN; The site lies within a developed area with no indications of historically important sites. Successive construction projects on the site would have obliterated any significant heritage sites. It is recommended that the site be exempt from full HIA investigation.

VAN COLLERSPAS; The site lies along the edge of a steep rocky ridge and the side of the Sandrivier Gorge. The area is not conducive to occupation as it is to steep and consists of large boulders. It is recommended that the site be exempt from full HIA investigation

October 1, 2007

The previously mentioned recommendations are based on information gathered during physical site visits.

Should you have any questions regarding these recommendations please contact us at any time.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephan Gaigher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'S'.

Sincerely
Stephan Gaigher
(Senior Partner for AINP)

October 1, 2007