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**Letter Of Exemption For The Cedarville Middle Income Housing
Development**

I have undertaken a brief desktop study of the proposed Cedarville Middle Income Housing Development, Matatiele Local Municipality. While the development does trigger an HIA study it should be exempt from further HIA studies, with the exemption of a palaeontological impact assessment. The area has been highly disturbed since 1952 (see aerial photograph fig. 1). The only types of artefacts recorded in this general area are isolated stone tools (see figure 2). The area is of low archaeological significance.

The area does have very high palaeontological sensitivity (i.e. red coding). On SAHRIS system this means that a field assessment is required. I suggest that a desktop palaeontological assessment is first obtained to determine the areas of sensitivity and the depths of the fossil layers. This can then be related to the development.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Anderson', with a horizontal line underneath.

Gavin Anderson

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FIG. 1: STUDY AREA IN 1952



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Fig. 2: Location Of Known Heritage Sites In The Study Area

