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CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PORTION 29 OF THE FARM GOEDEHOOP 308 – IR GOVAN MBEKI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

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.
- Ship wrecks. 2.5
- 2.6 Burial grounds.
- Graves of victims of conflict. 2.7
- Public monuments and memorials. 2.8

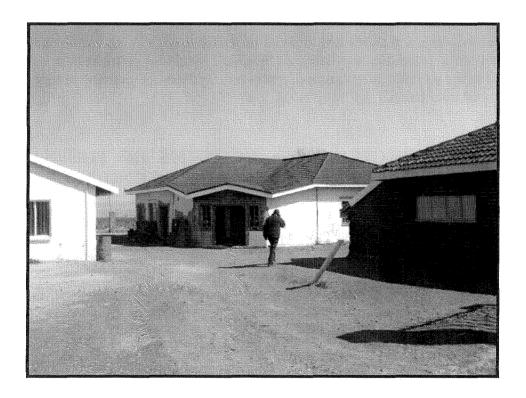
- 2.9 Structures, places and objects protected through the publication of notices in the Gazette and Provincial Gazette.
- 2.10 Any other places or object, which is considered to be of interest or of historical or cultural significance.
- 2.11 Geological sites of scientific or cultural importance.
- 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

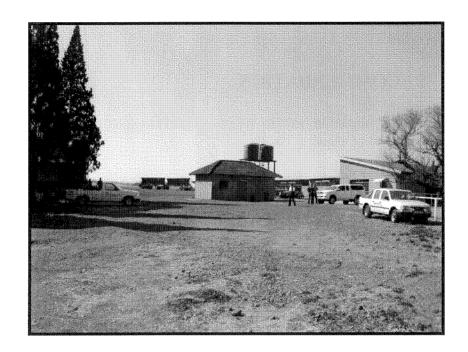
The site was visited and inspected on foot. All appropriate documents on the area were studied.

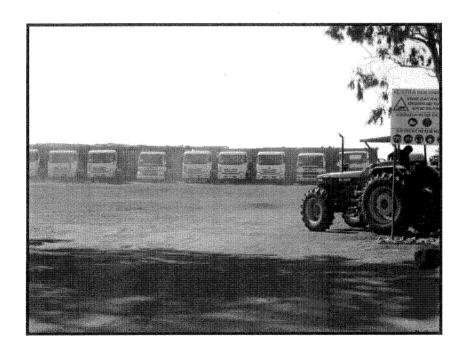
4. RESULTS

The proposed development site lies in an area of Highveld grassland with eucalyptus trees. On the property is a modern farmhouse which was built probably in the 1980's – see photograph.



On the site is also new infrastructure for large trucks, workshops and offices as well as a diesel depot – see photographs.





The development on the site would have destroyed any possible heritage sites. No remains of archaeological sites or graves could b found on the site.

5. CONCLUSION

There are no important cultural heritage resources or graves present on the development area.

6. RECOMMENDATION

There is no objection to the proposed development from a cultural heritage resources point of view.

If any heritage elements such as graves are revealed during the construction phase, then the correct procedures as described in Act 25 of 1999 should be adhered to.

7. SITE INFORMATION

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Type of development (e.g. low cost housing project, mining etc.)

Transport Truck Yard with associated structures and infrastructure covering 4.5ha.

Whether rezoning and/or subdivision of land is involved:

No Subdivision or rezoning required

Full location of Province, Magisterial District/Local Authority, property (e.g. farm, erf name and number:

Portion 29 of the Farm Goedehoop 308-IR Govan Mbeki Local Municipality Mpumalanga Province

Location map must have the polygon of the area to be surveyed on it and full geographical coordinates for all relevant points and where applicable indication of the area to be developed (footprint):

Attached

If possible an aerial photograph of the specific area showing the location of all site.

Attached

8. REFERENCES

- 1/50 000 Map 2628 BD
- Archaeological database of the National Cultural History Museum
- Mason R. 1962 Prehistory of the Transvaal





Leandra Truck Yard

