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# **CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PORTION 80 (A PORTION OF PORTION 28) OF THE FARM** RIETFONTEIN 485 JO HARTBEESPOORT DAM MADIBENG NORTH WEST 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 ACT, Act. NO. 25 OF 1999

The following are the most important sites and objects protected by the National Heritage Act:

- a. Structures or parts of structures older than 60 years
- b. Archaeological sites and objects
- c. Palaeontological sites
- d. Meteorites
- e. Ship wrecks
- f. Burial grounds
- g. Graves of victims of conflict
- h. Public monuments and memorials

- i. Structures, places and objects protected through the publication of notices in the Gazette and Provincial Gazette
- j. Any other places or object which are considered to be of interest or of historical or cultural significance
- k. Geological sites of scientific or cultural importance
- 1. Sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa
- m. Objects to which oral traditions are attached
- n. Sites of cultural significance or other value to a community or pattern of South African history

#### 3. METHODOLOGY

All relevant maps and documents on the site were studied. The site was visited, evaluated and inspection on foot for possible sites.

#### 4. **RESULTS**

The proposed development site is a smallholding that has been intensively farmed over a long period of time. There are two houses on the property, with their outbuildings and servants quarters. All the above-mentioned structures date to the 1960's and thus fall outside the jurisdiction of Act 25 of 1999.

There are also no archaeological sites or graves present on the site.

#### 5. CONCLUSION

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

#### 6. RECOMMENDATION

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

If during construction any cultural heritage resources or graves are unearthed all work has to be stopped until the site has been inspected and mitigated by a cultural heritage practitioner.

#### 7. SITE INFORMATION

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

Residential

Whether rezoning and/or subdivision of land is involved:

Agricultural to residential

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

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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

## 8. REFERENCES

- 1/50 000Map 2527 DB
- Vincent Carruthers V 2000 The Magaliesberg
- Madibeng Survey of Heritage Sites

### **9. MAP**

See map on page 5

### 10. PHOTOGRAPHS



Modern houses on the smallholding



